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Urban7 in the G7 process

Mayor Peter Kurz represented the Urban7 at the Meeting of G7 Ministers for Urban Development on September 13, 2022, as one of only three participants (along with Ms. Maimunah Mohd Sharif, Executive Director, UN-Habitat, and OECD Deputy Secretary-General Yoshiki Takeuchi) who was not a representative of a G7 Member.

Unprecedented Recognition of “Cities” under the 2022 G7 German Presidency

G7 Heads of State Communiqué
"We acknowledge the significant role of cities, their associations, and networks as actors in our transformation towards sustainable development"

G7 Climate, Energy and Environment Ministers' Communiqué
"the necessary transformation to net zero and climate resilience will be driven and implemented to a large extent at local level...We acknowledge the important role of cities, regions and local governments in implementing a just climate and energy transition and in making the transition socially acceptable in the context of local needs and environmental conditions"

G7 Development Ministers' Communiqué
"The G7 recognize the importance of cities in developing and financing sustainable infrastructure as well as municipal, local and regional governments’ processes for the transformative shift, collaboration among them and the significant role of central governments in supporting their initiatives. The G7 express this by supporting effective multi-level governance, international knowledge sharing, and stronger financial and planning capacities at the local level."
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2023 U7 Mayors Summit (2 March)

HISAMOTO Kizo, Mayor of Kobe City; JDCMA Chair

AKIMOTO Katsuhiro, Mayor of Sapporo City

YANAGIMOTO Akira, Parliamentary Vice-Minister, Ministry of Environment
FURUKAWA Yasushi, Parliamentary Vice-Minister, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism
Jeni Arndt, Mayor of Fort Collins, USA
Peter Kurz, Mayor of Mannheim, Germany; GPM Chair
Berry Vrbanovic, Mayor of Kitchener, Canada; UCLG Co-President

Yunus Arkan, Director of Global Advocacy, ICLEI (Moderator)
KOHIBI Kazuko, Mayor of Sendai
KADOKAWA Daiiku, Mayor of Kyoto City, JDCMA Vice Chair
SHIMIZU Hayato, Mayor of Saitama City, JDCMA Vice Chair

Frank Connie, Mayor of Des Moines, US Conference of Mayors Trustee Board Member
Joanna Rolland, Mayor of Nantes, France; President of France Urbaine
Marvin Rees, Mayor of Bristol, Chair of UK (Core Cities)
Minna Arve, Mayor of Turku, Finland, ICLEI First Vice President

MATSUI Kazumi, Mayor of Hiroshima
Markus Lewe, Mayor of Münster, Germany, President of DST
Dario Nardella, Mayor of Florence, Italy, President of EUROCITIES
Taneen Rudyk, Councillor of Vegreville, Alberta; FCM President
Handing over the 2023 U7 Mayors Declaration

YANAGIMOTO Akira, Parliamentary Vice-Minister, Ministry of Environment

YAMADA Kenji, State Minister for Foreign Affairs

NAKANO Hideyuki, Parliamentary Vice-Minister, Cabinet Office

FURUKAWA Yasushi, Parliamentary Vice-Minister, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

March 2
- Urban7 Mayor’s Summit

May 19-21
- G7 Summit

April 15-16
- Climate, Energy and Environment Ministerial Meeting

July 7-9
- Urban Ministerial Meeting
National City Networks:
- Canada: Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
- France: France Urbaine (Urban France)
- Germany: Deutscher Städtetag (Association of German Cities)
- Italy: Associazione Nazionale Comuni Italiani (ANCI, National Association of Italian Municipalities)
- Japan: Japan Designated City Mayors' Association (JDCMA)
- UK: Core Cities UK
- USA: The United States Conference of Mayors (USCOM)
- European Union: EUROCITIES

Network Partner:
- United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

U7 Secretariat:
- ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI)
- Global Parliament of Mayors (GPM)