Global Covenant of Mayors in Latin America: a Call for Action

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The Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy is a global coalition that engages local leaders from around the world in actions to fight climate change and move to a low-carbon, resilient society. This movement, which brings together more than 7,400 cities around the world, can result in an aggregate reduction of 1.3 GtCO2e in relation to business-as-usual per year by 2030. In Latin America, more than 200 cities have committed to the coalition in its first phase; they are acting and reporting their initiatives publicly and in a standardized way. It has been identified that access to financing and means of implementation are central challenges in order to achieve larger scale.

This session aims to discuss how to promote investments and financing of local actions. It will present and discuss the Call to Action document, elaborated from discussions during the Habitat + 1 meeting in the city of Quito, which proposes the alignment of investment plans for the implementation of NDCs integrated between levels of government and mechanisms to generate trust and accountability for investments. The document will be taken by local governments from the region to the One Planet Summit, hosted by French President Emanuel Macron.
Speakers:

- María Verónica Arias Cabanilla, Secretary of Environment, Metropolitan Government of Quito
- Cristiana Fragola, Director of Partnerships and Government Relations, Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy
- Juan Bautista Filgueira – President of the Environmental Protection Agency, Buenos Aires Municipality (TBC)
- Rogério Menezes, Secretary of Environment and Green Areas - Campinas President of Association of Municipal Environment Departments (TBC)
- Maurício Guerra – Sustainability Executive-Secretary, Recife Municipality (TBC)