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Partners in Implementation: Cities, states and regions are leading the Global Mutirão

Rio, Brazil — Subnational leaders unite at COP30 to drive climate action through collaboration

What:

A high-level press conference showcasing how cities and regions are turning climate ambition into action. Leaders from all levels of government will spotlight new models of cooperation driving resilient infrastructure, inclusive services, and urban climate finance. The event builds on the outcomes of the COP30 Local Leaders Forum in Rio, the LGMA COP30 Joint Position, and the CHAMP initiative, underscoring how multilevel collaboration is essential to delivering on the Paris Agreement.

Who:

- **Ms. Anacláudia Rossbach**, Executive Director, UN-Habitat
- **Ms. Gillian Martin**, Cabinet Secretary, Scotland; President, Regions4; European Co-Chair, Under2 Coalition
- **Ms. Katrin Stjernfeldt Jammeh**, Mayor of Malmö, Sweden; President, ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability
- **Mr. Governor Rafael Fonteles**, Governor of Rafael Fonteles, Governor of Piauí and President of the Brazilian Northeast Consórtium of Governors, Brazil.
- **Ms. Jane Lomax-Smith**, Lord Mayor of Adelaide, Australia (invited)
- **Moderator:** Gino Van Begin, Secretary General, ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability; Local Governments and Municipal Authorities (LGMA) Constituency Focal Point

When: Monday, 10 November 2025 | 14:30 – 15:00 (Belém time)

Where: Blue Zone, Press Conference 2, Area D | COP30, Belém, Brazil

(Livestream available via UNFCCC webcast; recording available immediately after the event.)

Why:

As COP30 defines the roadmap for implementing the Paris Agreement, this press conference highlights how states, regions and cities are leading the way. Through initiatives like the Subnational Transition Plans campaign and the Ministerial Meeting on Urbanization and Climate Change, subnational actors are embedding multilevel action across global climate policy. Together, they aim to leave Belém with an enduring legacy of collaboration, linking outcomes to the 2026 World Urban Forum in Baku and beyond.

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