

# **UrbanShift Asia Forum 2023**

## City-Business Hub

#### Key Information:

**Time/Date:** 14:30-17:30 on 25th of September 2023

Location: Hyatt Regency at Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi, India

#### Overview:

The UrbanShift City-Business Hub will be a non-commercial event bringing cities and businesses together to share information on strategies and policies to increase urban sustainability and resilience. Inspiring city and business leaders will present their successful case studies of collaboration to facilitate peer to peer learning with other participants.

### Agenda:

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|                | Plenary - the impo  | ortance of city-business collaboration to accelerate climate action  |
| 14:30:00       | Welcome             | Opening remarks:  • Ms. Andrea Fernández, Managing Director, Climate Finance, Knowledge and Partnerships, C40 Cities   |
| 14:35:00       | Opening plenary     | <ul> <li>Keynote speeches:</li> <li>Mr. Madhav Pai, Chief Executive Officer, WRI India</li> <li>Ms. Devyani Hari, Director, Centre for Responsible Business</li> </ul>   |
|                | Beyond the PPP -    | models for city-business collaboration   |
| 14:50:00       | Presentation        | <ul> <li>Launch of public-private collaboration guide:</li> <li>Ms. Zöe Fitzgerald, Head of City-Business Engagement, C40</li> <li>Ms. Emily White, Manager of City-Business Engagement, C40</li> <li>Ms. Marcela Guerrero Casas, Co-Founder, Local South</li> </ul>   |
| 15:00:00       | Fireside chat       | Conversation about city-business collaboration with Shalini Agarwal, the Municipal Commissioner of Surat   |
| 15:30:00       | Networking<br>break | 30-minute networking break   |
|                | Delivering nature   | -positive urban infrastructure with the private sector   |
| 16:00:00       | Panel discussion    | <ul> <li>Ms. Jaya Dhindaw, Cities Program &amp; Program Director, Integrated Development, Planning, and Resilience, WRI India</li> <li>Mr. Ashish Kulkarni, Partner and Associate Director for Center for Sustainable Earth, Boston Consulting Group (BCG)</li> <li>Ms. Sunita Purushottam, Head of Sustainability, Mahindra Life Spaces</li> <li>Dr. Annapurna Vancheswaran, Managing Director, The Nature Conservancy India</li> </ul> |
| 16:30:00       | Q&A                 | Q&A  |
|                | How SMEs and cit    | ies can collaborate for local climate action and a just transition   |
| 16:40:00       | Panel discussion    | <ul> <li>Ms. Saipriya Salla, Associate, Aspen Institute</li> <li>Ms. Murni Supeno, Head of Balikpapan development planning agency</li> </ul>   |





















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| 17:10:00 | Q&A          | Q&A   |
| 17:20:00 | Closing      | Closing speech and thanks  Ms. Shruti Narayan, Regional Director South and West Asia, C40 Cities  |
| 17:30:00 | End of event |   |