**Online Mayors’ Conference: South-East European Local Governments in post COVID-19 Socio-Economic Recovery**

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| **AGENDA** | |
| DATE | 16 September 2020, Wednesday |
| TIME | 13:00-15:40 CET (14:00-16:40 Turkey, Bulgaria, Romania, Moldova) |
| OVERALL OBJECTIVE | Local governments of South-East Europe are empowered to successfully plan and implement post COVID-19 socio-economic recovery strategies |
| SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES | 1. Exchange on the impact of COVID-19 crisis on local governments 2. Exchange on the local socio-economic recovery strategies 3. Learning from the best municipal practices in dealing with the crisis and its consequences 4. Identifying policy positions of the local governments of South-East Europe for successful socio-economic recovery |
| PLACE | Online, Zoom platform |
| LANGUAGE | English language |
| PARTICIPANTS | Mayors, municipal experts, NALAS member LGAs |
| MODERATOR | Mr. Stefan Friedrichs, Public One |
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| ***Time*** | ***Session*** |
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| 12:50 - 13:00 | Joining the online conference |
| 13:00 - 13:05 | Introduction  **Mr. Stefan Friedrichs**, Conference Moderator |
| 13:05 - 13:15 | Welcome address  **Mr. Emanuil Manolov**, NALAS President and Mayor of Pavlikeni Municipality, Bulgaria |
| 13:15 - 13:25 | Key address: *Best European practices observed by the Congress hub on COVID-19*  **Ms. Gunn Marit Helgesen,** President of the Chamber of Regions of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe |
| 13:25 -13:30 | Participants Interaction |
| 13:30 - 13:40 | Summary of the survey on the impact of COVID-19 and recovery strategies of SEE local governments  **Mr. Thomas Prorok**, KDZ |
| 13:40 - 14:10 | **Panel 1: Community mobilisation in dealing with COVID-19**  Good municipal practices by **Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality**, **Turkey** - ‘Pay It Forward’ Campaign and **Colibashi, Moldova** - Mobilisation of diaspora and upscaling the local brand “With love from Colibasi”  **Mr. Ekrem İmamoğlu**, Mayor of Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality *(video message)*  **Dr. Şengül Altan Arslan**, Deputy Secretary General of Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality  **Mr. Naim Erol Özgüner**, Head of IT Dpt., Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality  **Mr. Ion Dolganiuc**, Mayor of Colibashi  **Ms. Alexandra Vutcariov**, Municipal expert  Q&A and discussion session |
| 14:10 - 14:40 | **Panel 2: Improving access and opportunities**  Good municipal practices by **Kocevje, Slovenia** – support to disadvantaged children to attend online schooling, **Podgorica, Montenegro** - digitalisation of municipal servicesand **Dudestii Noi, Romania -**Your City Hall – Online: digital municipal services to citizens  **Dr. Vladimir Prebielič**, Mayor of Municipality of Kočevje, Slovenia  **Mr. Džemal Lekić,** Director of the Information System Service of the Capital City of Podgorica  **Mr. Alin Adrian Nica**, Mayor of Dudestii Noi, Romania *(TBC)*    Q&A and discussion session |
| *14:40 - 14:50* | **Participants Interaction and Short Break** |
| 14:50 - 15:20 | **Panel 3: Support to local economy**  Good municipal practices by **Ciugud, Romania** - Online platform for offering domestic products and **Slatina, Croatia** - Free business consulting services for entrepreneurs  **Mr. Gheorghe Damian**, Mayor of Ciugud  **Mr. Dan Lungu**, Ciugud Communication Officer **Mr. Denis Ostrošić**, Mayor of Slatina **Ms. Anita Rastija**, Deputy Head of Development Department  Q&A and discussion session |
| 15:20 - 15:35 | **Local Government Associations’ Reflections** Mr. Đorđe Staničić, Secretary General of SCTM Mr. Sazan Ibrahimi, Executive Director of AKM |
| 15:35 – 15:40 | Endorsing policy positions of the local governments of South-East Europe for successful recovery  **Ms. Silvia Georgieva**, Executive Director of NAMRB |
| 15:40 | Closing  **Mr. Kelmend Zajazi**, NALAS Executive Director |