OBSERVATORY ON SUBNATIONAL GOVERNMENT, FINANCE AND INVESTMENT
First Meeting of the Observatory Steering Committee*

November 17, OECD Headquarters, Paris
Room D – Conference Centre

Agenda

**WELCOMING PARTICIPANTS**

9:00-09:30
Participant welcome: coffee and croissants

9:30-10:00
1. Opening remarks
   - OECD and UCLG

10:00-11:15
2. Setting the Observatory vision, strategy and objectives
   - Rationale for the Observatory: first steps, vision, strategy
   - Tour de Table on the objectives and needs
   - The Observatory's governance, role of the OECD and UCLG, role of other partners

**11:15-11:30 - Coffee break**

11:30-12:30
3. Updating the OECD/UCLG pilot study: Subnational Governments around the World
   - Key highlights of the 2016 pilot study
   - Subnational Governments around the World 2018 edition:
     - Countries covered, expected challenges
   - Tour de Table:
     - Feedback on the key findings of 2016 study
     - 2018 edition:
       - Including new countries to improve geographic coverage; improving data quality for some countries
       - Enhancing national and regional networks and strengthening their capacities
       - Roadmap, allocation of responsibilities and financing for the update

**12:30-14:00 - Lunch (Restaurant des Nations, OECD)**

14:00-15:30
4. Looking ahead: Incorporating new indicators and enhancing synergies with other observatories and networks
   - Strengthening existing indicators (including more targeted methodologies for federal vs. unitary countries)
   - Adding new indicators and designing indicators of effective multi-level governance of public investment
   - Enhancing synergies with other observatories and networks
     - Linking the Observatory to national observatories or platforms
     - Linking the Observatory to other international initiatives and networks
   - Roadmap, allocation of responsibilities and financing for the update
   - Tour de Table

**15:30-15:45 - Coffee break**

15:45-16:30
5. Wrap-up and next steps
   - Official launch of the Steering Committee
   - Toward a 2018 Observatory High-level Conference: initial thoughts

**16:30-16:45**
6. Concluding remarks

* Participation by invitation only
**Background information**

**Participants**

Participation in the meeting is by invitation only. Delegates from Countries’ Permanent Delegations are also welcome to attend the meeting.

**Meeting information**

The meeting will be held in Room D of the Conference centre.

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**Interpretation**

The meeting will be in English. Interpretation in French will be provided during the meeting.

**Lunch**

All participants in the meeting are invited to the lunch, which will be organised in the Restaurant des Nations, at the OECD.

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