

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.

Badge and security

Badges have been prepared for you. On arrival, you need to register at the Reception desk to obtain your visitor's badge. Please bring an ID with you. You need to **plan around 15 minutes to go through the security** measures at the entrance. For security reasons, you must wear your visitor's badge at all times.

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.

Access to OECD

The entrance of the Conference Centre is located at:

2, rue André Pascal – 75016 Paris

Transport:

Metro/RER

- Line 9, La Muette station (9 minutes by foot)
- RER C, Avenue Henri Martin (7 minutes by foot) or Boulainvilliers station (11 minutes by foot)

Bus routes 22, 32, 52, 63, PC1 Stations

- La Muette-Boulainvilliers • Octave feuillet • Porte de La Muette

More information at: [www.oecd.org/site/conferencecentre/Get to OECD Muette.pdf](http://www.oecd.org/site/conferencecentre/Get%20to%20OECD%20Muette.pdf)

Useful contact

For any question, please contact:

OECD

- **Dorothee Allain-Dupré**, Head of Unit, Decentralisation, Public Investment and Subnational Finance (dorothee.allain-dupre@oecd.org; tel. 01 45 24 82 43 / 06 18 41 76 26)
- **Isabelle Chatry**, Senior Policy Analyst, Subnational Finance and Territorial Reforms (isabelle.chatry@oecd.org; tel. 01 45 24 98 02)

UCLG

- **Edgardo Bilsky**, Director of Research at UCLG, (e.bilsky@uclg.org; tel +34 93 342 8764)
- **Luc Aldon**, Programme Officer (l.aldon@uclg.org)