



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

15 February 2019

Excellency,

Pursuant to my letter date 30 January 2019, I have the honour to share with you the provisional programme of the joint event to be organized with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the UN-HABITAT on the theme: "From Global Issues to Local Priorities: The role of Cities in the Global Agenda, including Cities for Sustainable Development, Food Security, Nutrition and Climate Change". The Event will be convened on 19 February 2019 from 3-6pm, at the Trusteeship Council Chamber, UN Headquarters.

It is my hope that this event will attract the highest possible level of participation from your Mission.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "M. Espinosa", is located above the printed name.

Maria Fernanda Espinosa Garcés

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York

**From Global Issues to Local Priorities:
The role of Cities in the Global Agenda, including Cities for Sustainable Development,
Food Security, Nutrition and Climate Change**

19 February 2019, 15:00-18:00
Trusteeship Council, UN Headquarters

*Organizers: President of the General Assembly, Food and Agriculture Organization of
the United Nations and UN-HABITAT*

DRAFT PROGRAM

15.00

Opening Ceremony

- Her Excellency María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés, *President of the 73rd Session of the General Assembly*
- H.E. Mr José Graziano da Silva, *FAO Director-General*
- H.E. Ms Maimunah Mohd Sharif, *UN-Habitat Executive Director (video message)*

15.30

Panel discussion and interactive dialogue: Multilateral support to local action for sustainability

- Mr. Mauricio Esteban Rodas Espinel, *Mayor of Quito*
- Mr. Óscar Santos, *President of the Municipal Chamber of Praia*
- Ms. Penny Abeywardena, *Commissioner for International Affairs of New York City*
- Ms. Emilia Saiz, *Secretary-General of the United Cities and Local Governments*

Moderated by Ms. Shipra Narang Suri, *Coordinator, Urban Planning and Design Branch, UN-Habitat*

16:35

Podium change

16.40

Panel discussion and interactive dialogue: Sustainable food systems and Cities

- Ms. Tri Rismaharini, *Mayor of Surabaya*
- Mr. Joan Ribó, *Mayor of Valencia*
- Mr. Mike Sonko, *Governor of Nairobi*
- Ms. Eugenie Birch, *Professor of Urban Research and Education, University of Pennsylvania*

Moderated by Mr. Enrique Yeves *Director, Office for Corporate Communications, FAO*

17:45

Podium Change

17:50

Closing Remarks

- Her Excellency María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés
President of the 73rd Session of the General Assembly
 - H.E. Mr José Graziano da Silva
FAO Director-General
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