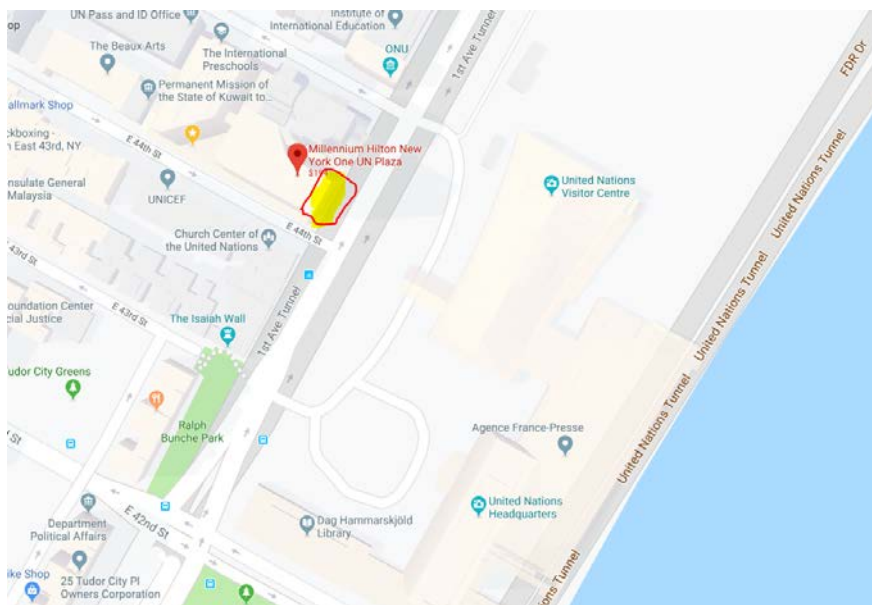


## Logistical Note

Venue:

**23rd UNDP Conference Room in One UN Plaza / DC1 (see the map below)**



Meeting time:

**8:45 on 18th July inside the Entrance**

Note:

**As you will be escorted to the conference room, please come to the entrance of the DC1 building at 8:45.**

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## Programme

**09:00 ~ 09:10** Opening and Introduction to the learning workshop. Self-introduction

Moderator: Hirotaka Koike, IGES

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**09:10 ~ 09:20 Welcome Remarks and Setting a Scene**

1. Hannie Meesters, UNDP
2. Prof. Kazuhiko Takeuchi, President, IGES
3. Jyotsna Mohan Singh, Regional Coordinator- Asia, Asia Development Alliance
4. Stefano Marta, OECD

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**09:20 ~ 09:35 Setting a Stage: Sharing Experiences – Why of VLRs**

This segment begins with good cases of VLRs and how it helped the city to pursue the sustainable pathway. With this concrete case, the speakers will explain what the VLR is about and how can be used in implementing the SDGs.

Speakers: Kitakyushu City / Bristol City / The Basque Country (tbc) /

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**09:35 ~ 09:50 Getting Ready – How of VLRs**

This segment will address how cities conducted the VLRs. As there have been many diverse approaches, speakers will share their own experiences of process, in particular modality, schedule, framework, and stakeholder engagements.

Speakers: Gaia Education, Shimokawa Town, Cascais City Council,

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**09:50 ~ 10:05 What methods, resources, data, etc are available to conduct the VLRs?**

Understanding the exact circumstances in which the LRGs are placed is not a simple task. Data collection, information sharing, communication, methodological approaches need to be thought well beforehand. How would you do those tasks? Speakers will offer their resources, methods, and data which could be used for VLR processes.

Speakers: UNGC Cities Programme, Hawai'i Institute for Human Rights, Center for Research and Innovation on SDG (CEiia), UNDP

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**10:05 ~ 10:20 Linkages between VNRs and VLRs and potential relevance to climate change process**

VLR can complement and even stimulate the VNR process in many ways, for example, by demonstrating good practices on the ground and indicating statistics that are generated from the local level. Those real actions and data from the local government can be invaluable information and captured for the next VNRs. Local challenges and opportunities are often related to the national policies and without collaborating together, it is difficult to achieve the 2030 Agenda. Hence, feeding the VLRs into VNR processes becomes critical. Speakers will share their ideas and thoughts on what are the linkages between VNRs and VLRs and how to utilise them.

Speakers: ESCAP, Partners for Reviews, UCLG, UNDESA, Matosinhos City,

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**10:20 ~ 10:50 What would you recommend to cities and regions planning to conduct the VLR? How can we learn from each other?**

In this segment, participants discuss what could be the recommendations to cities who are interested in conducting the VLRs. It also aims to talk about what should be the next step at the global level, what sort of actions needed to be taken collectively.

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**10:50 ~ 11:00 Wrap up and Closing.**