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SEVENTH ASIA-PACIFIC URBAN FORUM (APUF-7)

An innovation journey to build smart and climate resilient cities

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Cities across the world, including in Asia and Europe, are increasingly facing climate-related challenges. In response, local governments are developing strategies to promote smart city technologies that address climate change, such as smart transport, buildings, and grids. New ways of thinking, collaborating with stakeholders, and innovation spaces are needed to continue to identify and make use of innovative solutions.

This interactive session will showcase the importance of innovation spaces where stakeholders can share ideas on new ways to address urban climate challenges. It will focus on how these spaces can be leveraged to address climate resilience and smart solutions development. The session's three components simulate the innovation journey that cities face when implementing resilience actions:

- 1. Presentation of cities' climate resilience challenges (30 min)
- 2. Discussion of challenges and evaluation of innovation opportunities (30 min)
- 3. Sharing of results for a smart and climate-resilient future (30 min)

Actors from all backgrounds and geographies are invited to join the discussion on how cities can forge climate resilience, and embed smart technologies and citizen engagement mechanisms in sustainability strategies.

Speakers

Moderators: Alis-Daniela Torres and Keshav Jha, IUC Global Coordination Unit **Speakers**

- Dr. Nipon Poapongsakorn, Thailand Development Research Institute (TDRI), Bangkok, Thailand
- Mr. Bunyamin, Head of Development Planning Agency, Municipality of Semarang, Indonesia
- Mr. Samuel Seung Ho Seo, Project Manager, International Climate & Environmental Center, City of Gwangju, Korea
- Mr. Gvido Princis, Director of the Office of the Riga City Architect, Latvia
- Mr. Mindaugas Pakalnis, Chief Architect of Vilnius City, Lithuania
- Mr. Liam Fee, Technical Adviser, UN-Habitat, Bangkok, Thailand
- Mrs. Cerin Kizhakkethottam, Regional Project Management Advisor, ESCAP

