

## **C40 World Mayors Summit - Cities & Business Forum:** *“Partnering for the future we want”*

**Date:** Thursday 10 October 2019

**Timing:** 8.30 AM – 4.30PM

**Venue:** House of the Confederation of Danish Industry (*H. C. Andersens Blvd. 18, 1787 Copenhagen*)

**Participants:** Total of 500 participants, consisting of mayors, city representatives and business leaders from across the world.

**Status:** Official side event to the C40 Mayors Summit

**More information:** See Cities & Business Forum [webpage](#)

The science is clear - humanity is facing a climate crisis unless we collectively act faster and with more urgency than ever before. Mayors of the world’s biggest, most influential cities know what needs to be done and are setting ambitious targets to bring down emissions and build up resilience, working in partnership with green business leaders to accelerate the climate action that will deliver on the ground.

Since 2016, more than 70 C40 Cities have committed to the toughest targets of the Paris agreement, aiming for reducing emissions by half by 2030 and achieving net zero emissions by 2050. Many cities are pledging to radically transform key sectors, transitioning to green mobility by procuring only zero-emission buses from 2025; enacting regulations and policy to ensure new buildings operate at net zero carbon by 2030 and reducing the amount of municipal solid waste disposed to landfill and incineration by at least 50% by 2030. Thereby demonstrating the increased demand for the most ambitious climate solutions and establishing new, green standards for city climate action delivery.

But cities cannot act alone and will require considerable private sector support in order to achieve their climate goals. At the same time, businesses recognize the risks that climate change poses to their operations and are taking action to meet the increasing demands of clients, investors and the public. In many cases businesses are also being driven by their own progressive leadership to play their part in meeting the goals of the Paris agreement.

The Cities and Business Forum at the C40 World Mayors Summit will explore how leading businesses and cities are taking responsibility in the climate crisis by stepping up their ambition, accelerating action by shifting markets towards the most effective solutions and exploring new and innovative ways of partnering to create the future we want.

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<b>8.30 – 9.00</b>	<b>REGISTRATION</b>
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**MORNING PLENARY:**

***“Shifting markets, accelerating action – Taking the lead in a time of climate crisis”***

<b>9.00 – 9.10</b>	<b>WELCOME BY THE CONFEDERATION OF DANISH INDUSTRY &amp; MASTER OF CEREMONY</b>
<b>9.10 – 9.20</b>	<b>OPENING REMARKS BY C40 CITIES: WHY WE MUST DO THIS TOGETHER</b>
<b>9.20 – 9.40</b>	<b>IN CONVERSATION:</b> <i>“Why there can be no more business as usual – green and inclusive climate leadership today”</i>
<b>9.40 – 9.50</b>	<b>BUSINESS IN TRANSITION – CASE I</b>
<b>9.50 – 10.00</b>	<b>BUSINESS IN TRANSITION – CASE II</b>
<b>10.00 – 10.30</b>	<b>PANEL: GETTING THERE BY 2030 – MARKETS OF TOMORROW:</b> <i>Delivering climate targets</i>
<b>10.30 - 10.50</b>	<b>BREAK</b>

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS:**

***“Show don’t tell! – 12 cases of shifting urban markets”***

In 3 breakout sessions we explore key areas where cities are in demand of solutions to address their climate challenges - and where markets are shifting rapidly to deliver the solutions for sustainable, healthy and prosperous city life of 2030.

Each session will start with a city presenting a C40 Declaration and the types of challenges that must be overcome to deliver, followed by presentations of cases relevant to deliver the declaration targets and a discussion of how ambitious action can be achieved in the sectoral topic areas.

<b>10.50 – 12.00</b>	<b>Energy &amp; Buildings</b> (Includes: clean energy supply, energy efficiency/conservation, green mobility)	<b>Water &amp; Resource Efficiency</b> (Includes: waste water, non-revenue water, drinking water)	<b>Liveability &amp; Sustainable Mobility</b> (Includes: climate adaptation, affordable housing, city planning)
<b>12.00 – 13.00</b>	<b>NETWORK LUNCH</b>		

**AFTERNOON PLENARY:**

*“Shared future, shared mission, shared responsibilities – partnering to create the future we want”*

13.00 – 13.05	WELCOME TO THE CITIES BY THE CONFEDERATION OF DANISH INDUSTRY
13.05 – 13.20	OPENING STATEMENT: CITIES AS GLOBAL CHANGEMAKERS
13.20 – 13.40	KEYNOTE: CRITICAL COLLABORATION: CITIES AND BUSINESS IN THE PARIS AGREEMENT ERA
13.40 – 14.10	PANEL: PARTNERING FOR THE FUTURE WE WANT
14.10 – 14.20	BREAK

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS:**

*“Going further, faster - Approaches & Methods for City/Business collaboration”*

These breakout sessions explore different models for city - business collaboration and how city climate action can be achieved quicker and better by working together. Each session is facilitated by an expert organization that organizes city-business collaborations, sharing experience and examples of how successful collaboration can be achieved.

14.20 - 15.35	<u>Partnerships</u>	<u>Solutions through co-creation</u>	<u>Start-up and Innovation Environments</u>	<u>Precinct level collaboration</u>
15.35 – 15.45	LOGISTICS			
15.45 – 16.30	<b>CLOSING REMARKS &amp; CLIMATE COCKTAILS</b> Speakers: [tbc]			