



CALL FOR CANDIDATURES

PRESIDENCY OF UNITED CITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Local and Regional Leaders World Summit 2013 - IV UCLG World Congress
1-4 October 2013, Rabat, Morocco

Candidacies are invited for the Presidency of United Cities and Local Governments.

Launched in 2004, United Cities and Local Governments is the global advocate and representative of democratic local government. It has members in over 140 countries across the world, bringing together individual cities, regional governments and national local government associations in one united global organisation.

United Cities and Local Governments has a Presidency composed of **up to 6 members**. The Presidency is the principal representative of the World Organization and is elected by its World Council; which will meet on **4 October 2013 in Rabat**.

Traditionally, candidatures to the Presidency have been presented in the form of a ticket. Due to the broad and heterogeneous nature of the presidential college, this formula has allowed Members of the World Council to assess how well they will work together and perform their tasks.

The Presidency, comprising the **President and up to 5 Co-Presidents** is elected by the World Council from among local government members for a renewable term between two ordinary sessions of the General Assembly. At least one of the above office-holders must come from an individual local government member; at least one must come from a national association and at least one must come from a member of the Metropolitan Section. It is strongly encouraged to take the principle of gender balance into account.

Eligibility Criteria

- Candidates should represent a paying Local Government Member of UCLG
- The member represented by the candidate will be up to date with the payment of their membership fees
- According to the UCLG Constitution the members of the Presidency shall hold a local electoral mandate; they must also be at the head of a) a local or regional government or b) a national association of local or regional governments.
- In order to advance in gender balances female participation is strongly encouraged

Candidacies must include:

- Short biography
- Manifesto or motivation letter
- Statements of support from 6 different Local Government members from at least 3 different Sections

Candidacies must be presented by **20 June 2013**. After validation of criteria, they will be posted on the United Cities and Local Governments website www.uclg.org.

Candidacies may be sent by email, with a copy by post, to:

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Any questions concerning the above can be addressed to the Secretary General.