Global Parliament of Mayors
Annual Summit 2018

Programme overview
October 21–23, Bristol, UK

Empowering Cities as Drivers of Change
The Global Parliament of Mayors is proud to present its biggest and most ambitious Annual Summit to date. GPM Bristol 2018 will host up to 100 global mayors for an action-focused summit that addresses some of the biggest challenges facing today’s world cities.

GPM Bristol 2018’s theme, Empowering Cities as Drivers of Change, will focus minds on global governance and the urgent need for the influence, expertise and leadership of cities to be felt as international policy is shaped.

GPM Bristol 2018 will provide mayoral participants with a global network of connections and a space to develop the collective city voice necessary to drive positive change. The programme will engage participants in decision-making, with panels, debate and voting on priority issues including migration and inclusion, urban security and health. This is not solely an opportunity to share stories of city challenges and successes, but a unique chance to influence decisions on the most pressing issues of our time.

Empowering Cities as Drivers of Change

Arrive, explore, enjoy
Sunday 21 October

Explore Bristol before enjoying the GPM welcome reception. (Early sign up required during online registration).

10am – 4pm  Option 1: The World in Bristol - a celebration of migration (public event).

from 12.30pm  Option 2: Guided tours of key city and regional leisure, historical and regeneration sites
Details available when you register for the Summit.

6 – 8pm  Registration and GPM Welcome Reception

Join host Marvin Rees, Mayor of Bristol (GPM Treasurer); Patricia de Lille, Mayor of Cape Town (GPM Chair), Peter Kurz, Mayor of Mannheim (GPM Vice Chair) and Jo Beall, Head of Education and Society with the British Council, for a welcome and introduction in the heart of Bristol.

The evening will include the 2018 presentation of the Dr. Benjamin Barber Global Cities Award and insights from the hosts. In addition, a recipient of the International Children’s Peace Prize will introduce the Parliament of Student Mayors Initiative at UWC Maastricht, the Netherlands. Alongside this, delegates will enjoy networking, a buffet dinner, drinks and a circus performance. (business casual or national dress)

8.30pm  Optional

An optional visit to one of Bristol’s iconic landmarks - details available when registered for the Summit.
Debate, decide, vote

Monday 22 October

8.30 – 9am Arrival coffee and registration

9 – 10am **GPM Bristol 2018 begins** (plenary)
Mayor Rees and Mayor de Lille open proceedings and challenge participants to focus on practical collective action during the day of plenaries and side events.
Our guest keynote speakers will address the importance of city leadership in tackling some of the world's biggest challenges.

9.45 – 10am Mayors photo

10 – 11.15am **Harnessing the power of migration for an inclusive city** (Parliament session in plenary)
Migration can create a huge potential for more inclusive economies and communities within our cities. This session will focus on how we can create opportunities for truly inclusive city development, as well as how we can influence national and international decisions on migration and refugees. In collaboration with OECD Champion Mayors.

11.15am – 12pm Tea break

12pm – 1.15pm **Strengthening urban security through city leadership** (Parliament session in plenary)
The safety and security of citizens at city and neighbourhood levels is a vital priority for mayors around the world. This session focuses on the physical, digital, environmental and political components of urban security, and will lead to voting on shared top priorities that mayors could collectively influence. In collaboration with Igarapé Institute and UN HABITAT.

1.15 – 2.15pm Lunch

1.15 – 2.15pm **GPM Annual General Meeting house-keeping session** (GPM members only)

2.15 – 3.30pm **Driving good population health to strengthen city resilience** (Parliament session in plenary)
Good population health is key to a city's resilience. Worldwide, citizens' physical and mental health is threatened on many fronts by issues as varied as climate change and poor housing. These threats undermine a city's ability to flourish on a day-to-day basis, and leave them less resistant to urban pandemics. This session will focus on the issues affecting the good health and wellbeing of all citizens, and result in voting on shared top priorities. In collaboration with Georgetown University.

3.30 – 4pm Tea break

4 – 5pm **Enabling cities to lead** (plenary)
This session focuses on how city leadership can drive progressive opportunities for citizens around skills and talent, as well as strong Social and Creative Economies in cities around the world. In partnership with New Learning Ventures and the British Council, this session will showcase innovative approaches and pilots on these topics.

5 – 6pm **City solutions** (breakout rooms)
With an early evening drink and snacks, and in breakout rooms of 30, we close the day with practical discussion between mayors and business leaders on global industrial sectors:
- Health
- Financial and professional services
- Urban security
- Digital / high tech and innovation
- Housing and transport
- Low carbon and green technology

6 – 7pm **GPM Summit 2018 dinner** (business attire)
15 years ago this week, British Airways withdrew Concorde from the skies, bringing to a close the world's only supersonic passenger service. This final flight was into Bristol, and Concorde's new home is the Bristol Aerospace Museum.
Collaborate, commit, declare
Tuesday 23 October

**7.45am OPTIONAL Technical innovation for resilient urban growth** (breakfast breakout session)
A roundtable session on social resilience and the housing crisis faced by so many cities around the world, with a panel of global experts. An optional session hosted by Mott MacDonald with breakfast included.

**8.30am**
Arrival coffee

**9 – 9.15am**
Recap of the GPM Summit 2018 so far (plenary)

**9.15 – 10.30am Global governance and city networks** (plenary) *(SDG17)*
This interactive debate with leaders of global city networks and mayors, will focus on issues around governance, collaboration and shared goals. It will identify potential new ways of working and supporting each other to ensure the voice of cities is most effectively heard within international decision-making frameworks. With such a wide mix of valuable and influential global networks in which mayors participate, this session will identify how we can increase our collective effectiveness whilst minimising competing demands on our time.

**10.30 – 11.15am**
Tea break

**11.15am – 12.15pm Global Parliament of Mayors General Meeting**
(GPM members; non-members welcome as observers)
Acting as a Parliament of global mayors, GPM members will debate and vote upon the summit’s Declaration and its content, setting actions for GPM in 2019.

**OPTIONAL**
Women in Leadership (in partnership with The Women Mayor’s Network (WoMN), *(SDG5)* Women's Coin and Bristol Women’s Commission) **(Open to all participants)**
Hear from a panel of global mayors for a debate on the role of women in leadership and actions that networks of mayors and cities can take to drive forward female representation in city leadership.

**12.15 – 2.30pm A Declaration from world mayors** *(including lunch)* (plenary)
Over lunch, hear conclusions from the GPM Chair, the summit’s hosts and a guest speaker Mayor, and be part of the formal publication of the Global Parliament of Mayors 2018 Declaration. (Includes lunch and media opportunities)

**2.30pm onwards**
Final networking and close
Depart the summit at your leisure, enjoying your last chance to meet new connections and stepping out into the city of Bristol.

**Also that day:** UK City Leaders Meeting *(private meeting – invite only)*
A historic first formal meeting of the UK’s 10 Core Cities, Combined Authority Mayors and the Mayor of London (M-8 Network).

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**Programme partners:** The GPM is delighted to be working with varied global partners including:

- OECD Champion Mayors
- British Council
- C40
- Global Taskforce of Local and Regional Governments
- EUROCITIES
- International Cities of Refuge Network (ICORN)
- US Conference of Mayors
- UN-Habitat
- UNICEF
- Strong Cities Network
- European Committee of the Regions
- New Learning Ventures
- Chicago Council on Global Affairs
- World Health Organization
- Red Cross
- European Forum on Urban Security (EFUS)

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