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# INVITATION FROM C40 CITIES CLIMATE LEADERSHIP GROUP

Subject: SAVE THE DATE: C40 Events in Paris during COP21



#### Dear Lord Mayor Moore,

#### **INVITATION TO C40 EVENTS DURING COP 21**

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015, Paris

The UN Climate Change Conference (COP21/CMP11) will convene in Paris from 30<sup>th</sup> November to 11<sup>th</sup> December 2015. COP21 is expected to achieve a new intergovernmental climate agreement, with the aim of keeping global warming below 2°, but also to recognise climate action by cities and non-state actors, while engaging and empowering them for climate mitigation and adaptation.

For these reasons, C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group will be hosting a sequence of events during COP21 that will help showcase how Mayors are leading the way in addressing climate change. We are delighted to invite you to take part in the C40 agenda in central Paris, developed within the framework of our city diplomacy strategy:

- **C40 Cities Awards 2015** will take place on the evening of 3<sup>rd</sup> December, as an invitation only event. Invitations to register will be issued by C40 in the near future. The application process for the C40 Cities Awards closed on 21<sup>st</sup> August, further details on the evaluation process are available at <a href="https://www.c40.org/awards.">www.c40.org/awards.</a>
- C40 Forum, Paris 2015 will take place on the morning of 4<sup>th</sup> December. This forum will feature a series of discussions and presentations by Mayors and between Mayors, on city-driven climate actions and the success of the C40 network model. The forum requires pre-registration in order to attend, with invites being issued by C40 in the near future. Requests for additional invites can be made, which will be considered by C40. Further information about the forum will be available at <a href="www.c40.org/forum">www.c40.org/forum</a>. Please contact Emmanuelle Pinault, Head of City Diplomacy Political Engagement <a href="majoretransparent-epinault@c40.org">epinault@c40.org</a>, as soon as possible to confirm your participation and role in the forum.
- Climate Summit for Local Leaders hosted by Anne Hidalgo, Mayor of the City of Paris and Michael R. Bloomberg, the UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Cities and Climate Change. This event will be held at Paris City Hall on the afternoon of 4<sup>th</sup> December, and will be the largest gathering of Mayors and leaders from states and regions across the world. It aims to demonstrate city commitments through the Compact of Mayors and provide major international

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media focus on city climate leadership. Please click on this link for more information and to register your interest to attend the summit: http://climatesummitlocalleaders.paris/invite/en/.

Please note that these events are part of a larger city agenda convened by several city networks in the framework of COP21 that will extend between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> December. Listed on the C40 Exchange there will be a grid of additional events and activities taking place during COP21 that may be of interest. We recommend cities consider the whole city agenda before fixing their travel dates.

Please also note that if you are registered to attend the C40 Cities Awards 2015, the C40 Forum Paris 2015 or the Climate Summit for Local Leaders this <u>does not</u> provide access to COP21 'blue zone' at Le Bourget, which requires a UNFCCC badge. Unfortunately, C40 is unable to provide such badges to its member cities; therefore we <u>strongly recommend</u> our cities seek UNFCCC accreditation through their national delegations. For further information on that process, please contact Emmanuelle Pinault: <u>epinault@c40.org</u>.

Due to high demand, <u>we strongly suggest</u> your city arranges any travel and accommodation requirements in advance – details on the options and support available to C40 cities are attached.

We very much hope that you will be able to join us in Paris in December.

Yours sincerely,

**Eduardo Paes** 

Mayor, City of Rio de Janeiro Chair, C40 Cities Climate Leadership

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