



Sustainable Cities, Waste and Circularity : Pathways to a 3D Future

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Sustainable cities are cities that set high ambitions on waste prevention and waste sorting for recovery, as well as ensure they provide for the collection and safe final disposal of the waste that could not be avoided nor recycled. Implementing these waste management strategies can unleash a mitigation potential of up to 20% of global emissions. However, their full implementation requires a transition from the 3Rs (Reduce, Recycle, Recover) to reshaping business models and the global economy to achieve the 3Ds (Decouple growth from waste generation, Decarbonize and Decontaminate the economies).

Tentative program

09:30 - 10:00 | *Registration & Welcome Coffee*

10:00 - 10:30 | Keynote Opening Speech - How to Make the Transition to a 3D Future Happen

10:30 - 11:30 | Panel 1 - **Decouple** - Prevention of Waste Generation and Circular Management of Resources for a 3D Future

11:30 - 12:30 | Panel 2 - **Decarbonize** - Implementing Environmentally Sound Management of Waste and Resources and Unlocking its Mitigation Potential

12:30 - 14:30 | *Lunch Break & Networking*

14:30 - 15:30 | Panel 3 - **Decontaminate** - Challenges, Opportunities and Costs of Waste Management to Protect Health and the Environment, while Reducing Climate Impacts

15:30 - 16:00 | Closing Remarks on the Road to COP30 - Integrating the 3D Approach into National and Local Climate Agendas

16:00 - 17:00 | *Network Refreshments - Integrating Ambition and Action*

Organizing partners



Supporting partners



Sponsors



Decouple | Decarbonize | Decontaminate