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## The Release of the 5th Guangzhou Award Shortlisted Cities

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# Online Release of the 5<sup>th</sup> Guangzhou Award Shortlist

Since its establishment in 2012, the Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation (Guangzhou Award) has successfully held 4 editions and it is currently in its 5<sup>th</sup> cycle this year. Over the years, the Guangzhou Award has become an important knowledge platform for the local implementation of the United Nations 2030 Agenda and New Urban Agenda. With the call for submissions ended in late October 2020, the 5<sup>th</sup> Guangzhou Award has received **273** submissions from **175** local governments in **60** countries and regions. The 270+ applications have been submitted for review by the Technical Committee (TC). For the very first time, the TC, comprised of **11** international experts across **16** time zones, met virtually to review, assess and select 30 deserving city initiatives and 15 outstanding city initiatives. After months of demanding virtual meetings, the shortlist has finally come out.

**Please join us at the thrilling online event at 15:30-16:30(Beijing Time) on February 3, 2021.**

(Please do not worry if you will miss the event. You may also find the shortlist on the Guangzhou Award website afterwards.)

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## **Some of the Anticipated Speakers:**

- Yini Chen, Co-president of UCLG ASPAC and Chair of the Asia Pacific Standing Committee of Women in Local Governments
- Baochun Liu, Director General of Guangzhou Foreign Affairs Office and Regional Secretary of Metropolis Asia-Pacific
- Emilia Saiz, Secretary-General of UCLG
- TC members (to be revealed)
- Octavi de la Varga, Secretary-General of Metropolis
- Nicholas You, Executive Director of Guangzhou Institute for Urban Innovation
- Keping Yu, Director of Institute of Urban Governance of Peking University