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## City Managers Community 2021: 5G webinar

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The **Metropolis City Managers Community** is loaded with new activities in 2021. This year, Metropolis is fostering the engagement of the top leaders from our membership who are in charge of the implementation of 5G technologies, which have applications in diverse public services at metropolitan scales, at various stages of implementation.

**Exclusive to representatives of the Metropolis membership**, this online session will offer to a small group of people with similar responsibilities in their metropolises the opportunity to:

- get to know each other
- discuss the preliminary findings of the survey **5G Metropolitan Portrait**
- exchange additional information about their 5G initiatives
- delimit the topic and dynamics of the next activities of the group, scheduled for October and November

### Practical info

**When: When: Wednesday, July 7, from 13:00 to 14:30 CEST. [Click here for the time in your location](#)**

**Where:** online (via Zoom, with access link provided only to invited members)

**Languages:** English and Spanish, with simultaneous interpretation available

## Agenda (in CEST)

Moderation: Alexander Heichlinger, Senior Expert and Consultant in city management

- **13:00** Opening address  
*Octavi de la Varga, Metropolis Secretary General*
  
- **13:05** Setting the scene: road-map of the City Managers Community 2021, introduction to the 5G topic and current state-of-affairs, first impressions from "5G metropolitan portrait" survey  
*Alexander Heichlinger, Senior Expert and Consultant in city management*
  
- **13:15** Round of introductions (all participants)
  - *Mr. Ramon Torra i Xicoy, General Manager, Metropolitan Area of Barcelona*
  - *Mr. Martin Gullón Santos, General Coordinator, Metropolitan Area of Barcelona*
  - *Mr. Oriol Illa, Director of the International Relations and Cooperation Department, Metropolitan Area of Barcelona*
  - *Mr. Xavier Tiana, Head of International Relations, Metropolitan Area of Barcelona*
  - *Mr. Marc Perez-Batlle, Innovation Manager, Barcelona City Council*
  - *Representative from Busan*
  - *Ms. Juliette Paule Zingan, Conseillère Municipal, Ville de Dakar*
  - *Mr. Cyril Baloyi, Head of the Department of e-Government, Gauteng Provincial Government*
  - *Mr. Shuibin Xie, Secretary General of the Guangzhou Foreign Affairs Office, on behalf of the Guangzhou Information and Industry Bureau*
  - *Mr. Justin Duan, Officer, Guangzhou People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries*
  - *Mr. Fernando de Pablo, Director-General of the Digital Office, Municipality of Madrid*
  - *Mr. David Martin Valles, Head of Electronics and Projects Department, Municipality of Madrid*
  - *Ms. Safaa Zakaria Al Karaki Dweik, Director of the Geographical Information Systems and Information Technology, Ramallah Municipality*
  - *Mr. Pedro Martins, Planning Manager, Planning Managers of the Rio Center of Operations, Municipality of Rio de Janeiro*
  - *Mr. Paulo Henrique dos Santos Silva, Secretariat of Innovation & Technology, Municipality of São Paulo*
  - *Ms. Changhee Lee, Deputy Director, Global Urban Partnership Division of the International Cooperation Bureau, Seoul Metropolitan Government*
  - *Mr. Kyungmo Ahn, Manager, Global Urban Partnership Division, Seoul Metropolitan Government*
  
- **13:25** The approach of the Metropolitan Area of Barcelona towards 5G  
*Ramon Torra i Xicoy, General Manager, Metropolitan Area of Barcelona*
  
- **13:35** Interactive slot with Slido  
*All participants to type the first words that come to their minds*
  - What terms do you relate to when addressing 5G in your metropolitan space?
  - What difficulties or bottlenecks occur to you when initiating 5G in your territory?

- **13:45** 5G actions in the City of Madrid  
*Fernando de Pablo, Director-General of the Digital Office, Municipality of Madrid*
- **13:55** Open debate on the role of city and metropolitan governments on 5G implementation regarding:
  - **Risk assessment/mitigation**
  - **Private sector involvement**  
*All participants*
- **14:25** Wrap-up & next steps  
*Lia Brum, Research & Policy Officer, Metropolis Secretariat General*

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