



# Inclusive and Resilient Cities for Sustainable Families

## Presentation of the Venice Declaration

### Panel Discussion with audience participation in Observance of the World Cities Day 2018



Co-organized by the International Federation for Family Development (IFFD), the Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Malaysia to the United Nations, UN-DESA Division for Inclusive Social Development and the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, (UN-HABITAT), with the collaboration of the Veneto Region (Italy), the Department of Bouches-du-Rhône (France), the Regional Union of Municipalities of Attiki (Greece), the Community of Madrid (Spain) and the European Local Inclusion and Social Action network (ELISAN).

**Wednesday, October 31, 2018 - 1.15-2.30 pm**  
**Conference Room 11 - United Nations Headquarters - New York**

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## ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Regional Council of the Veneto Region has promoted, supporting the proposal of the International Federation for Family Development, a project on Inclusive Cities for Sustainable Families, directed to cities and Regions that wish to actively contribute to “making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable” (SDG11) and show their commitment by signing the Chart that includes the Venice Declaration. It aims to follow-up on the Sustainable Development Goals and the New Urban Agenda signed in Quito, Ecuador by gathering good practices from local, regional and national authorities on family responsive legislation, into making cities more resilient, inclusive and sustainable for all. It has a family perspective to benefit each and every one of the members of the family as of older persons, parents, children, persons with disabilities and indigenous people. All the members of the family are related to various social realities so, a family perspective will contribute to a holistic approach of any policy intervention (A/RES/72/145, 8).

The commitment of their members will consist on presenting once a year a report about the results of their work on the following points, included in a Chart to be signed previously by them:

1. Housing.
2. New technologies.
3. Education.
4. Healthcare.
5. Safety.
6. Clean air.
7. Transportation.
8. Affordability.
9. Leisure and tourism.
10. Vulnerable families.

## **PROGRAMME**

### **Moderator**

#### **Ignacio Socias**

Director of Communication and International Relations  
International Federation for Family Development

### **Opening Remarks**

#### **Helena Yáñez Loza**

Deputy Permanent Representative  
Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the UN

#### **Chris Williams**

Director  
UN-Habitat New York Office

### **Keynote Speaker**

#### **Bahira Trask**

**The Role of Families and Family Policies in Achieving Inclusive Societies**  
Professor and Chair, Human Development & Family Sciences, Delaware (USA)

### **Regional and local experiences**

#### **Hairil Fadzly Md. Akir**

Deputy General Director  
National Population and Family Development Board (Malaysia)

#### **Sylvie Carrega**

Deputy Mayor, City of Marseille (France)  
President of the European Local Inclusion & Social Action Network

### **Venice Declaration Signing Ceremony**

#### **Roberto Ciambetti**

President  
Regional Council of Veneto (Italy)

#### **Martine Vassal**

President  
Bouches-du-Rhône Departmental Council (France)

#### **Georgios Ioakimidis**

President  
Regional Union of Municipalities of Attiki (Greece)

#### **Alberto San Juan**

Director General  
Family and Childhood, Community of Madrid (Spain)

### **Closing Remarks**

#### **Daniela Bas**

Director  
United Nations DESA Division for Inclusive Social Development

### **Q & A**

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