

## NEWS



Social Cohesion

## Forum on human mobility, migration and development advocates for social inclusion and diversity in cities

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Last June 26 and 27, Berlin and its Governing Mayor Michael Müller (who is also a Co-president of Metropolis) hosted the 4<sup>th</sup> Global Mayoral Forum on Human Mobility, Migration and Development. The event brought together 40 mayors from around the world, as well as representatives of international organizations.

The event was a space of encounters, discussions and exchange of good practices in the field of local and metropolitan governance, especially for mayors and metropolitan authorities.

The conferences of the forum have been guided by the main frames of reference of global agendas, such as the New Urban Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals.

One of the main results of the meeting was the declaration "

[Mayoral Declaration on Migrants and Refugees: Meeting Needs, Protecting Rights and Fostering Empowerment](#)

", which reinforces the need to work in a multi-level governance; a key recognition of local governments in the policies of reception of migrants and refugees.

Ten members of Metropolis were represented in the forum: Athens, Berlin, Beyrouth, Dakar, Durban, Johannesburg, Madrid, Quito and Rabat. From th