

Guangzhou Award: The Award for Cities!



The 5th Guangzhou Award: The Countdown is On!



Early Bird Submission: 30th September, 2020



Final Submission: 31st October, 2020

The call for submissions is now open!

Reaching its fifth edition in 2020, the biennial Guangzhou Award is putting a special focus on innovative approaches taken by local and regional governments to accomplish the SDGs and meet the commitments of the New Urban Agenda towards the prosperity and quality of life of their citizens.

Metropolis is proud to be one of the main partners of this prestigious Award since 2012 and actively encourages all cities and regions worldwide to submit their projects.

Timeline

- 30th September 2020: Early Bird Submission Deadline for Application Advice
- 31st October 2020: Final Submission Deadline
- December 2020: Evaluation by the Technical Committee
- 2021: online vote: The City of your Choice
- 2021: International Seminar "Learning from Urban Innovation"; Final Assessment by Jury; Guangzhou Award Ceremony and The Global Mayors' Forum

**Additional material may be required from shortlisted cities*

Rules and Procedures

Submission Guidelines

Application form

What to expect?

- Up to **15 shortlisted cities and up to 30 deserving cities** will be discerned and selected by the Technical Committee. All 45 cities will be featured in specialized publications and many will be invited to share their experiences in international events.
- 2 representatives of each of the 15 shortlisted cities will be invited to **share lessons learned at the International Seminar on Learning from Urban Innovation**. This seminar will be held under the framework of the "Global Mayors Forum 2020, XIII METROPOLIS World Congress 2020, UCLG World Council Meetings 2020 & 2020 Guangzhou Award".
- Up to **5 winners** among the shortlisted cities will be selected by the jury and each will be **granted US\$ 20,000, a trophy and a commemorative certificate**; shortlisted cities other than the winners will be granted **Medals of Honour**.
- The shortlisted city that obtains the most votes in the "Online Vote: The City of Your Choice" will be recognized as the "**Online Popular City**".

You can find all the information about the Award at its official website:

guangzhouaward.org



In 2012 Guangzhou took a great step to boost its leadership on urban

innovation: the launch of the Guangzhou International Award on Urban Innovation. This was a cornerstone for local and regional governments to be accredited as the main actors towards more innovative cities worldwide, which mean more sustainable, egalitarian and open urban spaces to all. Since then until the present time, the award has consolidated itself as the main reference on urban innovation for Metropolis and United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG).

About the Award

An ambitious program: the Guangzhou Award encourages global cities to participate and engage in the most effective ways to address the rapid challenges of cities and to provide institutional assistance for global learning platforms of urban innovation and communities. It also serves as a basis for analyzing what and how local authorities are implementing the Global Goals of New Urban Agenda (NUA) and multilateral goals of 2030 Sustainable Development (2030 SDGs).

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