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**WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL MAYORS, YOUTH CLIMATE ACTIVISTS  
& ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERS CONVENE IN COPENHAGEN TO DRIVE GREATER AMBITION &  
SHOWCASE CLIMATE SOLUTIONS**

*At the [C40 World Mayors Summit](#), young leaders will join 70+ mayors to carry forward the momentum on climate action and drive forward a new vision for urban life.*

More than 70 mayors of some of the world's largest and most influential cities are meeting in Copenhagen from October 9-12 for the [C40 World Mayors Summit](#). Led by Lord Mayor Frank Jensen of Copenhagen and C40 Chair and Mayor of Paris, Anne Hidalgo, city leaders will join elected officials, business executives, scientists, and citizens to commit to more ambitious climate action and showcase the innovative solutions creating healthier, more livable communities.

Building on the momentum of the Global Climate Strikes, the C40 World Mayors Summit will include an important platform for youth voices driving urgent climate action. 140 young climate leaders, including youth climate strike organisers, young entrepreneurs and activists will take centre stage at the [C40 World Mayors Summit](#) in Copenhagen. Young people from 30 countries will join mayors from around the world to develop concrete plans for greater global climate ambition. [C40 mayors have welcomed](#) the #FridaysForFuture movement, and in Copenhagen, mayors will invite young activists to join an open dialogue about how today's leaders can create the future they deserve.

In addition to the summit's main program, local residents and summit attendees will have the opportunity to participate in "Live Like Tomorrow," a citizen climate summit, and for the first time, C40 will convene business leaders at a Cities & Business Forum to discuss the role of the private sector in addressing the climate emergency.

Youth leaders will be available for interview and a group will join mayors for a joint press conference on October 11th. They will include:

- **Jamie Margolin**, 17, Founder and Co-Executive Director, Zero Hour (USA)
- **Alexandria Villaseñor**, 14, National and International Organizer, Fridays for Future (USA)
- **Youna Murette**, 18, Founder, Génération Climat (Belgium)
- **Emilie Holland Baliozian**, 22, Founder, Climate Communicators (France/USA)
- **Anton Walker**, 17, Speaker, Copenhagen Youth Council (Denmark)
- **Małgorzata (Gosia) Czachowska**, 16, Activist, Fridays for Future Poland (Poland)
- **Julieta Maia Itzcovich**, 17, Activist, Fridays for Future Argentina (Argentina)
- **Angela Valenzuela**, 26, Coordinator, Fridays for Future Santiago (Chile)
- **Daniel Villamar**, 24, Member, Red de Protectores del Ambiente (Ecuador)
- **Pamela Escobar**, 19, Activist and Environmentalist (Mexico)

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- **Nakabuye Hilda Flavia**, 22, Organizer, Fridays for Future Uganda (Uganda)
- **Alhassan Sesay**, 30, Founder and President, Sierra Leone School Green Club (Sierra Leone)

**WHEN:** October 10–11, 2019: Main Summit and City Business Forum  
 October 9 & 12, 2019: Side events, Citizens Summit, media opportunities  
*October 11, 2019: Youth & mayors press conference & climate march*

**WHERE:** [Tivoli Congress Center](#), Arni Magnussons Gade 2, 1577 Copenhagen, Denmark

**SPEAKERS:**

Speakers at the C40 Mayors Summit include:

- **António Guterres**, Secretary-General of the United Nations
- **Mette Frederiksen**, Prime Minister of Denmark
- **Michael R. Bloomberg**, C40 Board President, UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Climate Action, Founder of Bloomberg Philanthropies and mayor of New York City 2002-2013
- **Al Gore**, Former Vice President of the United States of America
- **Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez**, United States Representative, New York
- **Anne Hidalgo**, Mayor of Paris and C40 Chair
- **Frank Jensen**, Lord Mayor of Copenhagen
- **Eric Garcetti**, Mayor of Los Angeles
- **Robert Mambé**, Governor of Abidjan
- **Adjei Sowah**, Mayor of Accra
- **Steve Adler**, Mayor of Austin
- **Chen Tian**, Director General, Beijing Municipal Ecology and Environment Bureau
- **Marty Walsh**, Mayor of Boston
- **Michael Muller**, Governing Mayor of Berlin
- **Liu Xingjun**, Deputy Secretary-General, Chengdu Municipal People's Government
- **Mohammad Sayeed Khokon**, Mayor of Dhaka South
- **Abdulla Mohammed Al-Basti**, Secretary General of the Executive Council of Dubai
- **Mxolisi Kaunda**, Mayor of Durban
- **Xing Xiang**, Deputy Secretary General, Guangzhou Municipal Government
- **Chen Weiqiang**, Deputy Mayor of Hangzhou
- **Eckart Würnzer**, Mayor of Heidelberg
- **K.S. Wong**, Secretary for the Environment, Hong Kong, China
- **Ekrem İmamoğlu**, Mayor of Istanbul
- **Herman Mashaba**, Executive Mayor of Johannesburg
- **Waseem Akhtar**, Mayor of Karachi
- **Jorge Muñoz**, Mayor of Lima
- **Fernando Medina**, Mayor of Lisbon
- **Giuseppe Sala**, Mayor of Milan
- **Valérie Plante**, Mayor of Montreal
- **Mike Sonko**, Governor of Nairobi City County

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- **LaToya Cantrell**, Mayor of New Orleans
- **Jim Kenney**, Mayor of Philadelphia
- **Ted Wheeler**, Mayor of Portland
- **Virginia Raggi**, Mayor of Rome
- **Ahmed Aboutaleb**, Mayor of Rotterdam
- **Antônio Carlos Magalhães Neto**, Mayor of Salvador
- **Anna König Jerlmyr**, Mayor of Stockholm
- **Ron Huldai**, Mayor of Tel Aviv-Yafo
- **John Tory**, Mayor of Toronto
- **Stevens Mokgalapa**, Executive Mayor of Tshwane
- **Luigi Brugnaro**, Mayor of Venice
- **Rafal Tzaskowski**, Mayor of Warsaw
- **Grete Faremo**, UN Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UNOPS
- **Ninna Hedeager Olsen**, Mayor of Technical and Environmental Affairs, Copenhagen
- **Franciska Rosenkilde**, Mayor of Culture and Leisure, Copenhagen
- **Sisse Marie Welling**, Mayor of Health & Care of Copenhagen
- **Begoña Villacís Sánchez**, Vice Mayor of Madrid
- **Pauline Kahiga**, County Executive for Food and Agriculture, Nairobi
- **Luiz Alvaro**, Secretary for International Relations of Sao Paulo
- **Katarina Luhr**, Vice Mayor of Stockholm
- **Pia Heidenmark Cook**, Chief Sustainability Officer, Ikea
- **Antha Williams**, Head, Environment Programme, Bloomberg Philanthropies
- **Dr Maria Neira**, Director, Department of Public Health, Environmental and Social Determinants of Health, World Health Organization
- **Sheela Patel**, Founder Director, Society for Promotion of Area Resource Centres (SPARC)
- **Karin Tuxen-Bettman, PhD**, Lead for Google Earth Outreach and Google's Project Air View
- **Florencia Spangaro**, Director of Programs, Citi Foundation
- **Nicholas Rees**, Councillor of Melbourne
- **Clarisse Linke**, Brazil Country Director, Institute For Transportation & Development Policy (ITDP)
- **Ellen Dorsey**, Executive Director, Wallace Global Fund
- **Helena Molin-Valdes**, Head of the Climate and Clean Air Coalition
- **Jens Birgersson**, President & Chief Executive Officer, Rockwool
- **Dr. Sarah Prichard**, UK Managing Director, BuroHappold Engineering
- **Harriet Bulkeley**, Professor
- **Elodie Grimoin**, Co-founder, Urban Canopee
- **Joyce Ma**, China Country Director, The Nature Conservancy
- **Mette Skjold**, Partner & CEO, SLA Architects
- **Kate Raworth**, Author of Doughnut Economics and Senior Associate, Oxford University
- **Alson Tickell**, Director, Julie's Bicycle
- **Brent Loken**, Director of Science Translation, EAT Foundation
- **Niels Lund**, Vice President for Health Advocacy, Novo Nordisk
- **Helle Lis Søholt**, Founding Partner, CEO, Gehl
- **Naoko Ishii**, CEO & Chairperson, Global Environment Facility

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- **Kate Power**, Program Director, KR Foundation
- *And more speakers to be announced*

## **FULL LIST OF SUMMIT PRESS CONFERENCES & MEDIA MOMENTS:**

### **Wednesday, October 9**

- **09:45: PHOTO OPPORTUNITY: Green Kayak event with mayors & youth leaders**
  - *Location: The Harbor Scene between BLOX and Langebro, [Christians Brygge 31, 1219 Copenhagen](#).*
  - *Media interested in attending and photographing must email [media@C40.org](mailto:media@C40.org).*
- **14:00-15:00: Opening Press Conference**
  - *Location: Copenhagen City Hall*
  - *Participants:*
    - Lord Mayor of Copenhagen, Frank Jensen
    - Mayor of Freetown, Yvonne Aki-Sawyer
    - Mayor of Los Angeles, Eric Garcetti
    - Mayor of Paris, Anne Hidalgo
    - Steve Cotton, General Secretary, International Transport Workers
    - Jamie Margolin, Founder, Zero Hour
    - *Mayors from leading global cities.*

### **Thursday, October 10**

- **08:15-08:45: PRESS CONFERENCE: Cities vs. nation states (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY)**
  - *Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Press Conference Room (Pjerrot)*
  - *Participants:*
    - Mayor of Boston, Marty Walsh
    - Mayor of Istanbul, Ekrem İmamoğlu
    - Mayor of New Orleans, LaToya Cantrell
    - Mayor of Warsaw, Rafal Tzaskowski
    - David Miller, Regional Director for North America and C40 Ambassador for Inclusive Climate Action
- **ALL DAY (08:30-16:30): Cities & Business Forum**
  - *Location: Danish Industries, Copenhagen*
  - **NOTE:** *Media wishing to attend the Cities & Business Forum must RSVP to Judith Neijzen, C40 Global Partnerships Manager. Please email [jneijzen@c40.org](mailto:jneijzen@c40.org) by 12:00 on October 9, 2019*
- **09:00-11:00: Tour of Nordhavn, the sustainable neighborhood of the future**
  - *Location: Meet in Café Depanneur at COBE offices, I Nordhavn, Orientkaj 4*

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- Explore the former industrial harbor area that has been turned into Copenhagen's new sustainable powerhouse. Old silos has been transformed to modern architecture, people are working out on the recreational space on top of a multi-storey car park and the harbor basin is full of life with people swimming, kayaking and fishing.
  - **NOTE:** RSVP to Jonas Løvschall-Wedel at [jlw@woco.dk](mailto:jlw@woco.dk).
- **09:00-12:00: Bike the sustainable capital of the future**
    - Location: The tour will depart from Gothergade 148, Cykelbørsen.
    - Discover and experience a Capital that plans to be carbon neutral by 2025. During this 3-hour tour, you will get to see the highlights of Copenhagen's ambitious climate plan.
    - **NOTE:** RSVP to Jonas Løvschall-Wedel at [jlw@woco.dk](mailto:jlw@woco.dk).
- **10:50-11:30: KEYNOTE: Michael R. Bloomberg / Official handover to new C40 Chair (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY)**
    - Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Mainstage
    - Participants:
      - Michael R. Bloomberg, C40 Board President, UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Climate Action, Founder of Bloomberg Philanthropies and mayor of New York City 2002-2013
- **11:30-12:00: PRESS CONFERENCE: Sustainable Diets for healthy people and a healthy planet (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY)**
    - Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Press Conference Room (Pjerrot)
    - Participants:
      - Lord Mayor of Copenhagen, Frank Jensen
      - Mayor of Los Angeles, Eric Garcetti
      - Mayor of Milan, Giuseppe Sala
      - Mayor of Stockholm, Anna König Jerlmyr
      - Shannon Lawrence, C40 Director of Global Initiatives
- **13:00-13:45: PRESS CONFERENCE: Climate Leadership in American Cities (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY)**
    - Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Press Conference Room (Pjerrot)
    - Participants:
      - Michael R. Bloomberg, C40 Board President, UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Climate Action, Founder of Bloomberg Philanthropies and mayor of New York City 2002-2013
      - Mayor of Los Angeles, Eric Garcetti
      - Mayor of Austin, Steve Adler
      - Mayor of Boston, Marty Walsh
      - Mayor of Honolulu, Kirk Caldwell
      - Mayor of Philadelphia, Jim Kenney
      - Mayor of Portland, Ted Wheeler
      - Mayor of San Antonio, Ron Nirenberg

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- Mayor of Seattle, Jenny Durkan
- **15:45-16:00: KEYNOTE: Al Gore**
  - Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Mainstage
- **16:45-17:15: PRESS CONFERENCE: UN Secretary-General António Guterres and Michael Bloomberg address media**
  - Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Press Conference Room (Pjerrot)
- **17:00-19:00: C40 Cities Bloomberg Philanthropies Awards**
  - **NOTE:** The C40 Awards is invitation-only for media. If you are registered media for the C40 Summit and are interested in attending the Awards, please contact [C40Awards@bpimedia.com](mailto:C40Awards@bpimedia.com). No outside photo or video will be permitted.

### Friday, October 11

- **08:30-09:00: PRESS CONFERENCE: Cities committing to breathable air for all (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY)**
  - Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Press Conference Room (Pjerrot)
  - Participants:
    - Mayor of Paris, Anne Hidalgo
    - Mayor of Los Angeles, Eric Garcetti
    - Lord Mayor of Copenhagen, Frank Jensen
    - Chief Minister of Delhi, Arvind Kejriwal (*joining by video*)
    - Mayor of Barcelona, Ada Colau
    - Mayor of Portland, Ted Wheeler
- **09:15-09:40: KEYNOTES: Mette Frederiksen, Prime Minister of Denmark; Antonio Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations**
  - Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Mainstage
- **09:50-10:20: PANEL: Mayor of Los Angeles, Eric Garcetti; Kate Raworth**
  - Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Mainstage
  - Participants:
    - Mayor of Los Angeles, Eric Garcetti
    - Kate Raworth, Author of Doughnut Economics and Senior Associate, Oxford University
    - Steve Cotton, General Secretary, International Workers Federation (ITF)
- **11:30-12:00: PRESS CONFERENCE: Clean construction (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY)**
  - Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Press Conference Room (Pjerrot)
  - Participants:
    - Lord Mayor of Copenhagen, Frank Jensen

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- Governing Mayor of Oslo, Raymond Johansen
  - Mayor of Stockholm, Anna König Jerlmyr
  - Shannon Lawrence, C40 Director of Global Initiatives
- **14:00-14:30: PRESS CONFERENCE: FridaysForFuture: Mayors & Youth Climate Activists (PHOTO OPPORTUNITY)**
  - *Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Press Conference Room (Pjerrot)*
  - *Participants:*
    - Mayor of Paris, Anne Hidalgo
    - Mayor of Los Angeles, Eric Garcetti
    - Lord Mayor of Copenhagen, Frank Jensen
    - Selma de Montgomery Nørgård, Copenhagen Climate Ambassador
    - Alexandria Villaseñor, Fridays for Future USA
    - Youna Marette, Founder, Génération Climat
    - Luisa Neubauer, Fridays for Future Germany
- **16:10-16:20: KEYNOTE: Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, United States Representative, New York**
  - *Location: Tivoli Conference Centre, Mainstage*
- **18:00: PHOTO OPPORTUNITY: Mayors and youth activists participate in the People's Climate March**
  - *Location: Outside Copenhagen City Hall*
  - *Participants:*
    - Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez

### **ONLINE RESOURCES:**

The following resources will provide the most up-to-date information on how the conference is taking shape, the agenda and guest speakers:

- Additional details, including confirmed speakers and agenda, will be posted on the [event website](#)
- Follow us on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#)
- Event hashtag: #TheFutureWeWant

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### **About the C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group**

Around the world, C40 Cities connects 94 of the world's greatest cities to take bold climate action, leading the way towards a healthier and more sustainable future. Representing 700+ million citizens and one quarter of the global economy, mayors of the C40 cities are committed to delivering on the most ambitious goals of the Paris Agreement at the local level, as well as to cleaning the air we breathe. The current chair of C40 is Mayor of Paris Anne Hidalgo; and three-term Mayor of New York City Michael R.

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