Draft Guidelines for the Development of Voluntary Local Reviews in the ECE Region (ECE/HBP/2021/4)

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Localization of the SDGs through the development of Guidelines for SDG Voluntary Local Reviews (VLRs) in the UNECE Region

- VLR as a practical action-oriented document
- Supports participatory approach
- Focuses on the most vulnerable
- Based on evidence-based approach (KPIs for SSC)
- Flexible and adaptable
- Strong focus on innovative financing
Looking Forward

- The Guidelines will be tested in several cities, including Evian in France, Bishkek in Kyrgyzstan, as well as several Ukrainian cities and others.

- UNECE will also engage with the city of Madrid in Spain, in developing the “KPI+” set of indicators to support the development of VLRs.

- Additionally, we are setting up an online portal with e-learning materials and organizing 3 sub-regional workshops in 2021, as well as a side event to the FoM 2022 on VLRs.
The first Forum of Mayors in October 2020 brought together **40 Mayors and Vice-Mayors**, representing **36 countries** to amplify local solutions and to discuss how they were overcoming the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic in their cities.

**Second Forum of Mayors:**
- 4-5 April 2022; held back-to-back with the Regional Forum on Sustainable Development
- Platform for Mayors from the UNECE region to exchange information on experiences and best practices
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