

# 2nd Meeting of Spatial Planning Platform (SPP)



**10 Feb** Side Event (SE33)  
@Room 13, Hall 3

**12:30** | Implementing Territorial/Spatial Planning Systems and Strengthening Local Capacities to Achieve SDGs and NUA  
**13:30**

**10 Feb** Networking Event (NE75)  
@Room 15, Hall 3

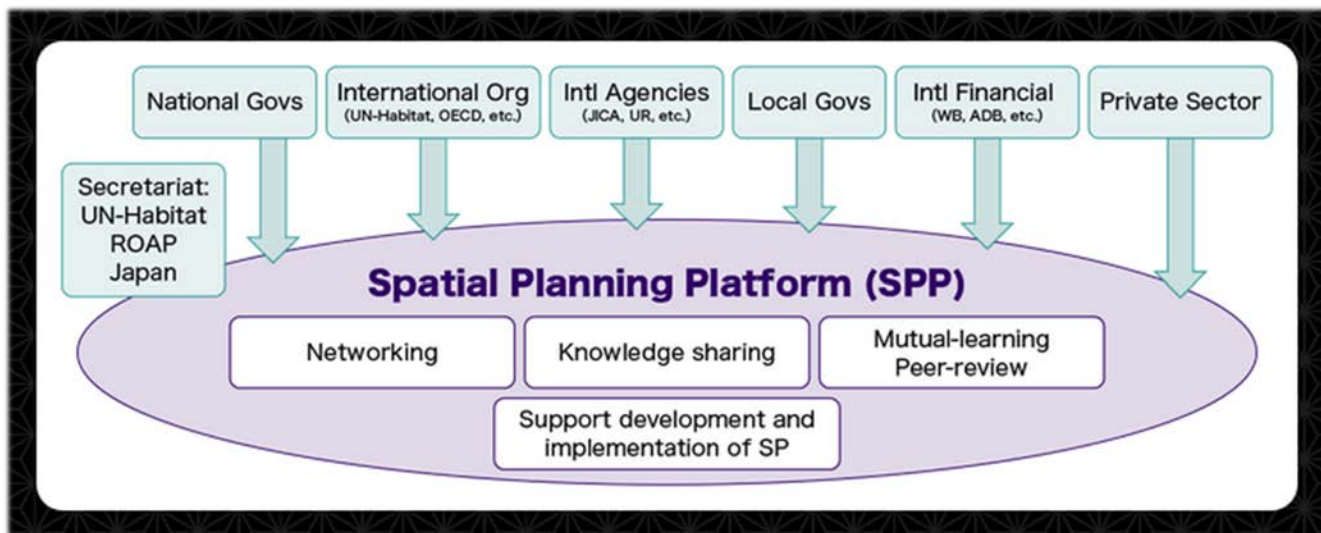
**16:30** | Supporting the formulation and implementation of territorial/spatial plans through multilateral collaboration: Pilot programs of Spatial Planning Platform (SPP) in Cambodia, Mongolia, and Myanmar  
**18:30**



## What is SPP's objectives?

In the side event of Habitat III, the Government of Japan proposed to establish the SPP which enables sharing experience and knowledge on formulation and implementation of better spatial plans. The proposal was supported by many participating countries.

Its purpose is to make a network of all stakeholders and to support formulation and implementation of better spatial plans. Consequently, it will contribute to implementing the New Urban Agenda (NUA) and Sustainable development goals (SDGs), together with the National Urban Policy Programme (NUPP) launched by OECD, UN-Habitat and Cities Alliance.



# List of Speakers

Japan

**Mr. KURITA Takuya**

Organizer

Vice-Minister, for Land, Hokkaido Development, and International Affairs, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT), Government of Japan

Mr. KURITA Takuya held a number of important positions including Director-General of Policy Bureau, Director-General of City Bureau, and Private Secretary to the Minister. He has led a smart city policy in Japan and Asian countries for years including a launch of the ASEAN-Japan Smart Cities Network High-Level Meeting in 2019 and taking a role as the co-chair.

Japan

**Ms. YAMAZAKI-HONDA Ritsuko - Moderator**

Director of Policy Planning Office, National Spatial Planning and Regional Policy Bureau, MLIT

Ms. Ritsuko YAMAZAKI-HONDA has an extensive career in territorial/regional development both in Japan and overseas. She was responsible for the Sendai Framework Monitoring and data analysis in UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction and Focal Point of IAEG-SDGs until June 2019. Previously she worked in the Government of Japan, where she was mostly in charge of regional development, including territorial planning, risk-informed urban and land use planning and management, and transport as well as water resource management.

Cambodia **Dr. Pen Sophal**

Secretary of state of the Ministry of Land Management and Construction

H.E Dr. Pen Sophal is a secretary of state of the Ministry of Land Management and Construction since 2013. He is also an architect and lawyer with a distinguished career in public services such as the Permanent Deputy Chairman and Secretary General of National Committee for Land Management and Urban Planning and the Secretary General of National Committee for Cambodia's Coastal Management and Development, and a Governing Council Member of Board of Cambodian Architects.

Cambodia **Mr. Sok Vanna**

UN-Habitat Programme Manager for Cambodia

Mr. Sok Vanna has joined UN since November 2010 to present. Prior to joining UN-Habitat, Vanna was employed as Population and Development Programme Manager for United Nations for Population Fund (UNFPA) Cambodia from April 2004 to October 2010. He used to work on social development, good governance and planning with UNICEF, UNDP and other NGOs in Cambodia since 1994.

Japan

**Mr. URA Masayuki**

Director for International Strategy, Urban Renaissance Agency, International Business Department

Mr. URA Masayuki has worked an extensive field. He was responsible of Urban renewal business, housing complex regeneration business, accounting, financing task. He also engaged the ASEAN-Japan Smart Cities Network High-Level Meeting in 2019 as leader of implementing body.

Japan

**Mr. FUKASAWA Yoshinobu**

Director, Overseas Business Department, Nishi-Nippon Railroad Co., Ltd.

Mr. FUKASAWA Yoshinobu has taken the current position since 2017 with particular attention to Japanese-type Transport Oriented Development. Prior to that, he had been a civil servant in Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport and other governmental positions. He had also worked in UN-Habitat and UN-OCHA for 10 years in total. His expertise lies in national/regional territorial development planning/policies, regional development projects, disaster risk reduction and emergency management.

Japan

**Mr. OBA Satoru**

Director/General Manager, Research Institute for Urban & Environmental Development (UED)

Mr. Satoru OBA is a certified urban and regional planner (Professional Engineer, Japan) having long professional career both in Japan and overseas. As for overseas career, he has over-20-year experience of conducting research/consulting in national/regional/urban planning in more than 20 countries, mainly in Asian developing countries. Currently, he is a director of the Research Institute for Urban & Environmental Development, Japan (UED), a juridical foundation.

**Malaysia**

**Dr. Alias bin Rameli**

Director of Research and Development Division,  
Federal Department of Town and Country Planning, Malaysia (PLANMalaysia)

Dr. Alias bin Rameli has more than 25 years experience in urban and regional planning with major involvement in Land-use Planning, Housing Development Planning, Land Development Process, Property Market Analysis, Planning Laws, Sustainable Future City, Urban Redevelopment Programmes and Local Government Programmes.



**Malaysia**

**Mr. Mohd Sukuran Taib**

Deputy Director of National Physical Planning Division, PLANMalaysia

Mr. Mohd Sukuran Tab has more than 24 years experience in urban and regional planning with major involvement in Spatial Planning, Land-use Planning, Development Planning, Rural Planning, Planning Laws and Sustainable City. His key interests are Spatial Planning, Housing Planning, Rural Planning, Development Plan and Planning Laws.



**Mongolia**

**Mr. Gunbold Baatar**

Director General of the Urban Development and Land affairs policy implementation and coordination Department of the Ministry of Construction and Urban Development

Mr. Gunbold Baatar also serves a secretary for the national committee of the General plan for Human Settlement of Mongolia –which will assist with the implementation of Sustainable development vision 2030 of Mongolia.” He lectured in the School of Construction and Architecture of Mongolian Science and Technology University and was President-elect of the Mongolian Association of Civil Engineers.



**Mozambique**

**Mr. Adérito Wetela**

National Director for Spatial Planning and Resettlement,  
the Ministry of Land, Environment and Rural Development (MITADER)

Mr. Adérito Wetela has been coordinating the process of drafting the National Territorial Development Plan, the Special Territorial Plan for some Districts, preparing the Urban Structure Plans, elaborating the Urban Structure Plans for some districts, preparation of Methodological Manuals for the elaboration of Urban Structure Plans, and revising the Resettlement Regulations Resulting from Economic Activities.



**Myanmar**

**Ms. Aye Aye Myint**

Deputy Director General, Urban Regional Development Planning,  
Ministry of Construction

Ms. Aye Aye Myint, Chief Town Planner as well as Member of Myanmar Architect Council has more than 30 years experiences in urban and regional planning with major involvement in Spatial Planning, Urban and Regional Planning, Urban Development, Urban Planning Law and regulations, green growth of cities, infrastructure upgrading of GMS Towns and so on. She is responsible for the Urban Research Development Institute in the area of technical cooperation, research and capacity enhancement programs all over Myanmar.



**Myanmar**

**Ms. Tin Tin Kyi**

Director of Urban Planning, Yangon City Development Committee

Ms. Tin Tin Khi has been working in the current position since 2017. She has almost 27 years experience on the field of Engineering Department. She is also assigned as the Chief Smart City Officers of Yangon since 2018 at the ASEAN Smart City Network. She also takes on the responsibility as a Secretary of Yangon City Comprehensive Land Use, Zoning and Urban Design Review Working Committee as well as a member of Myanmar Architect Council.



**Myanmar**

**Mr. Bijay Karmacharya**

UN-Habitat Country Programme Manager in Myanmar

Mr. Bijay Karmacharya is Country Programme Manager of UN-Habitat in Myanmar since 2012. He has been with UN-Habitat for the last 15 years working in various capacities in Afghanistan, Mongolia and Pakistan. He has spearheaded several policy formulation and capacity development work in Myanmar including formulation of Climate Change Policy, Land Administration and Management Program, National Housing Policy, National Urban Policy in Myanmar.



## Nepal

### Mr. Mani Ram Gelal

Director General in the Urban Development Department,  
Ministry of Urban Development

Mr. Mani Ram Gelal has been working as the current position since 2018. He is with the government from last 25 years and in recent years in several leading positions such as Joint Secretary for the Ministry of Urban Development, Deputy Director General of Building Division, DUDBC (Urban Development Department of Ministry of Urban Development), Nepal.

## Philippines Ms. Nora Diaz

Acting Director of Environment, Land Use and Urban Planning and Development Bureau

Ms. Nora Diaz supervises the implementation of Land Use and Zoning Information System. The major output of the project is monitoring of land use changes through the implementation of the approved Comprehensive Land Use plan and the reclassification of agricultural lands to urban uses. She is also planning assistance to local government units deeply affected by Typhoon Yolanda in integrating climate change and disaster risk reduction in the Comprehensive Land Use Plans.

## Thailand Dr. Rattikarn Khambud

Urban Planner, National and regional Planning Bureau,  
Department of Public work and Town & Country Planning. Ministry of Interior

Dr. Rattikarn Khambud did doctoral research relating to Climate Change, Disaster Flood Risk Management and Spatial Planning in the Central Region of Thailand. Her expertise is in the field of National Spatial Planning, Urban-Rural Planning and Environment. Currently, her work is focusing on Policy Planning and Implementing on Land Use Planning in Thailand, Urban and Rural Development and Natural- resource Management.

## UAE

### Mr. Nikola Vujevic

Secior Associate Planner, Al Dhafra Region Planning, Planning & Policies  
Department, Department of Municipality and Transport (DMT), Abu Dhabi

Mr. Nikola Vujevic has been drawing lines in the sand for the last 11 years, as the lead planner of a small team tasked with planning the Al Dhafra Region of the Abu Dhabi Emirate. In this role, Nikola has led projects ranging from small-scale design interventions to city-wide master plans and worked as part of the team delivering the framework plan for a region covering the land area of Switzerland – Plan Al Dhafra 2030.

## Uganda

### Mr. Vincent B. Byendaimira

Director, Physical Planning and Urban Development under the Ministry of Lands,  
Housing & Urban Development

Mr. Vincent B. Byendaimira served as Secretary and President of the Uganda Institute of Physical Planners; Board Member of the National Physical Planning Board & Currently Member of the National Building Review Board. He has participated in developing Uganda's spatial planning policy, laws, regulations and guidelines and is currently spearheading preparation of Uganda's first National Spatial Plan.

## OECD

### Dr. MATSUMOTO Tadashi

Project Manager, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division,  
Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE)

Dr. MATSUMOTO Tadashi leads OECD's thematic work on sustainable development and manages the global relations at the Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division. He provides strategic leadership and oversees the research and analysis on topics related to climate change, green growth, urban resilience, localising SDGs, circular economy and energy transition.

## Japan

### Mr. MACHIDA Dai

Programme Officer, Urban and Regional Development Group, Infrastructure and  
Peacebuilding Department, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

## World Bank Mr. Horacio Christian Terraza

Lead Urban Specialist

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