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Dear Mayor Fernández Lores,

We are pleased to invite you to the **7th OECD Roundtable of Mayors and Ministers**, which will take place on **19 March 2019**, in **Athens, Greece**. This Roundtable is jointly organised by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the Greek Ministry of Economy and Development and the city of Athens.

Created in 2007, the Roundtable offers a unique global forum that brings together local and national leaders to discuss their joint action for smart, inclusive and sustainable cities of all sizes. Previous meetings have taken place in Madrid (2007), Milan (2008), Paris (2010), Chicago (2012), Marseille (2013) and Mexico City (2015).

This year's edition will centre on how Mayors and Ministers can work in concert, within integrated national urban policies, to tackle crosscutting and interconnected megatrends such as digitalisation, urbanisation, climate and demographic change.

You are also invited to the **4th Meeting of the OECD Champion Mayors for Inclusive Growth**, jointly organised by the OECD and Georgios Kaminis, Mayor of Athens, the previous day (18 March 2019). This meeting will convene Mayors from cities of all size who have put the fight against inequalities at the centre of their policy agenda. This year's edition will discuss how to leverage all types of innovation – social, technological, and public sector-related – for more inclusive cities and greater citizen well-being.

Owing to Athens' social innovative approach as a means to address the city's diverse challenges in the midst of the financial and refugee crisis, the European Commission recently awarded the city with the prestigious title of the European Capital of Innovation for 2018. Drawing inspiration from Athens' efforts, we trust your participation in the meeting will be instrumental in shaping this guiding framework on how innovation can drive smart inclusive cities of the future.

Preliminary information on the Roundtable and the Champion Mayors Meeting is enclosed. Thank you for confirming your participation to the OECD Secretariat (RTMM@oecd.org) **by 8 February 2019**.

We look forward to welcoming you in Athens!

Yours sincerely,



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