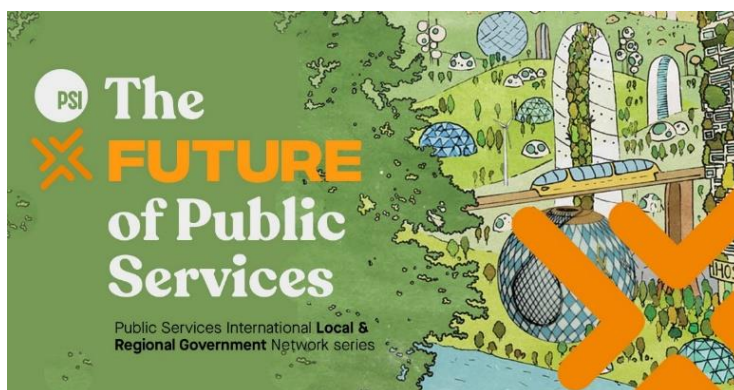


CLOSING SESSION

BUILDING THE FUTURE OF LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICES

Friday, 3 December 2021 1-4pm CEST
Interpretation: ENGLISH, FRENCH, SPANISH¹

CONCEPT NOTE



DRAFT AGENDA

13h00-14h15 – Building the future of Local Public Services (1h15')

This session will take stock, draw conclusions and highlights from the LRGNext2021 Series. It will present emerged priorities and make proposals for PSI's LRG unions coordinated policies and actions for the next years.

Welcome and opening contributions:

- **David Hall**, Visiting Professor at PSIRU, University of Greenwich
- **LRG union representatives** (tbd)

Plenary discussion & affiliate consultation.

14h15-14h30 – Break and live consultation (15')

14h30-15h45 - An Action Plan for PSI's LRG Network (1h15')

This session will present a Draft Action Plan for the PSI LRG Network drafted based on the discussions and consultations held during the LRGNext2021 Series. The Plan will represent a roadmap for PSI's LRG unions action and for the work of the PSI Regions and Sub-Regions in the LRG sector and will contribute to inform PSI's Programme of Action 2022-2027. The Draft Plan will stay open for PSI LRG affiliates' consultation until the end of February 2022.

Opening contributions:

- **David McDonald**, Director MSP, Queen's University
- **Daria Cibrario**, PSI

Plenary discussion & affiliate consultation.

15h45-16h00 – Conclusions & Closure of LRGNext2021 (15')

- **Rosa Pavanelli**, PSI General Secretary

¹ PSI may consider interpretation into additional languages subject to registrations and budget constraints.

Guidance questions:

Building the future of local public services:

- How can we collectively **de-commodify our local public services**?
- What are the next steps to **reclaim local public services** in the common interest?
- How can we sustainably **finance our local public services** with public resources ?
- How can we **leverage the power of local public services** to fight inequalities, generate decent employment and tackle the climate crisis?

Action Programme for PSI's LRG Network:

- How can we **work effectively together** taking advantage of the new **digital tools** now available while making an **impact in territories and communities**?
- What **activities/issues** do we need to **prioritise** at a **local, regional and global** level?
- What are our **shared overarching** and **issue-based priorities**?
- What should **LRG unions** do and what should the **PSI Secretariat & Regions** do to achieve our shared goals?

Target audience:

- PSI affiliates' representatives
- PSI staff

Session format:

This session encompasses two segments of 1h15' each structured as follows:

- A **first segment** (1h15') on Building the Future of Local Public Services with opening contributions by one guest speaker and by LRG affiliate representatives followed by a plenary debate.
- A break (15').
- A **second segment** (1h15') will entail the presentation of the draft Action Plan for PSI's LRG Network by the PSI LRG Officer, preceded by an opening contribution by one guest speakers affiliate representatives and experts followed by a plenary debate with affiliates.
- **Conclusion and closure** by the PSI General Secretary.

The session is facilitated by the PSI LRG Officer. PSI HO staff provides technical support to the session.

Background documents for this session:

- Draft Action Plan for PSI's LRG Network, 2021 (forthcoming)
- [10 LRGNext2021 Thematic Policy Briefs](#), PSI, 2021
- [Ten key points for fair cities and for an inclusive New Urban Agenda](#), PSI, 2016
- [PSI LRG Global Workers' Network Charter](#) 2016

Resources:

- Coote, A., Yazici, E., [Universal Quality Public Services, A Policy Briefing for Trade Unions](#), PSI, 2021
- PSI & Allies, [Global Manifesto for Public Services](#), 2021
- McDonald, D., Marois, T., Barrowclough, D., [Public Banks and COVID-19: Combatting the Pandemic With Public Finance](#), 2020
- [Public Services International Research Unit \(PSIRU\)](#) webpage
- [Municipal Services Project](#) website

For more information:

- Consult the [full programme](#) for LRGNext2021
- See the LRGNext2021 website: <https://psishort.link/LRGNext>
- Please write to PSI LRG and Municipal Services at: lrg-municipal@world-psi.org

