

## **Rede für Oberbürgermeisterin Henriette Reker anlässlich des mayors round table am 17.10.2019**

### **Es gilt das gesprochene Wort**

Dear fellow mayors, dear colleagues (bitte nennen, da nicht alle in ihrer Funktion „Bürgermeister“ im engsten Sinne sind), dear doctor Sebastian Sedlmayr,

welcome to Cologne, welcome to the historic townhall.

I am glad, that you have found the time to join us here for the first UNICEF summit for child friendly communities and I am looking forward to discussing our opportunities and our doings in being and becoming even more child friendly as cities. That is the reason why we have gathered here today – mayors and representatives only – to find out more about our own role as leaders of these cities. Because, dear colleagues, I am sure, that you will agree with me, on the missions goal, that we all set ourselves for the near future: we want to find innovative, new and charming ideas on how to implement the Right of the Child Convention. I am curious to find out, which challenges you face with your communities and which solutions you have found yourself so far. Doctor Sebastian Sedlmayr will explain in more details, how we will proceed this afternoon. And tell you about the core questions we want to be answered by the end of this meeting. Thank you for your attention.