



Abu Dhabi, UAE 8-13 February 2020



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BRIEFING
September 2019

THE TENTH SESSION OF THE WORLD URBAN FORUM (WUF10)

The world's premier conference on cities.



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WUF

// since 2001, is the world's premier conference, for exchanging views and experiences on urban challenges and issues

// is the key platform to discuss the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the urban dimension of the Sustainable Development Goals

OBJECTIVES

Raise awareness of sustainable urbanization among stakeholders and constituencies, including the general public

Improve the collective knowledge of sustainable urban development through inclusive open debates, sharing of lessons learned and the exchange of best practices and good policies

Increase coordination and cooperation between different stakeholders and constituencies for the advancement and implementation of sustainable urbanization.



TARGET AUDIENCE

The World Urban Forum is an open and inclusive gathering.

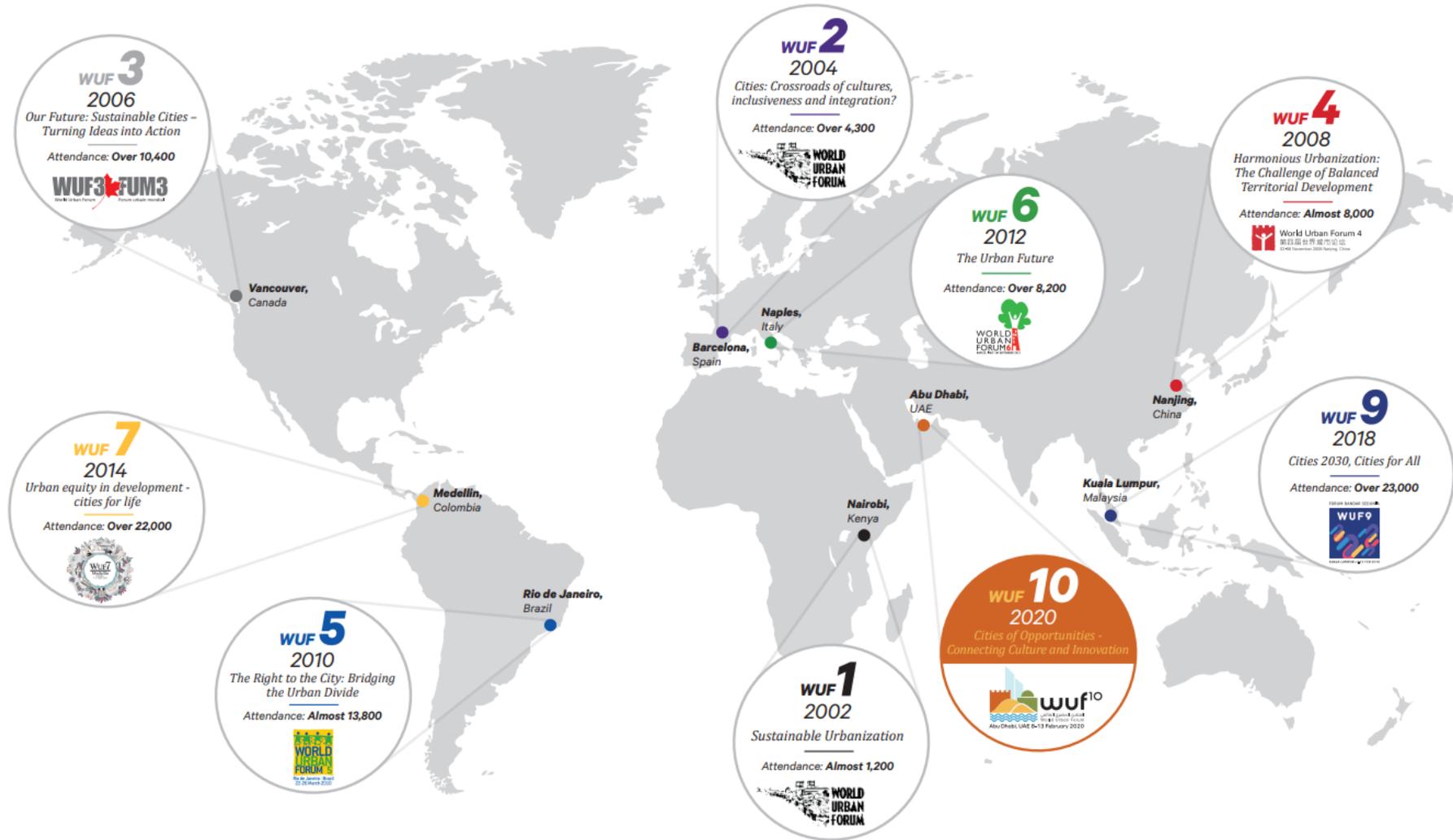
WUF10 will bring together national leaders, ministers, UN representatives, women groups, mayors, youth, academics, diplomats, community and business leaders, parliamentarians, local government groups, urban activists, and more.

All who share the vision for better and smarter cities of the future are invited.



TENTH EDITION

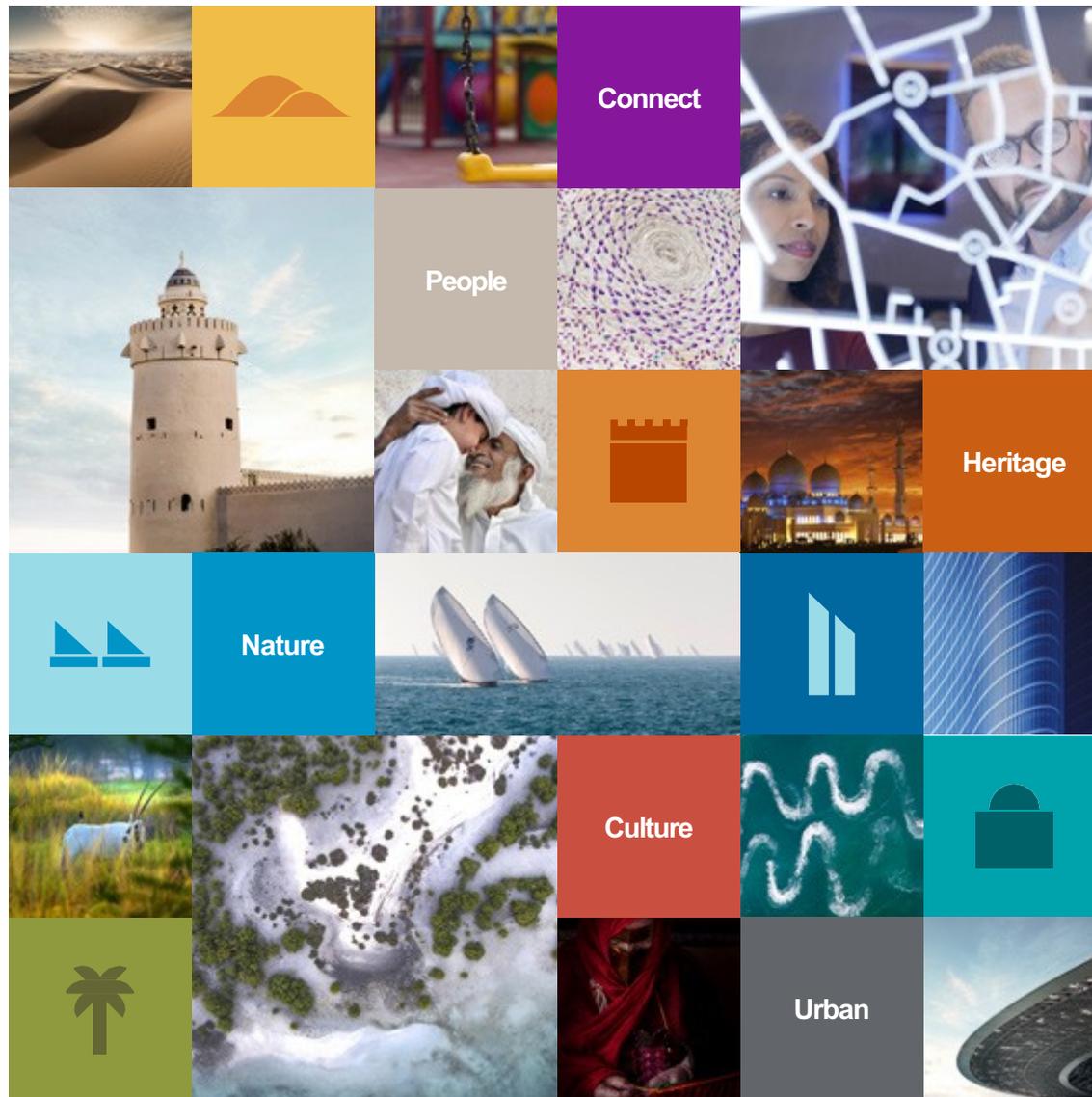
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- 2004 – Barcelona
- 2006 – Vancouver
- 2008 – Nanjing
- 2010 – Rio de Janeiro
- 2012 – Naples
- 2014 – Medellin
- 2016 – Habitat III
- 2018 – Kuala Lumpur
- 2020 – Abu Dhabi**



WUF10 THEME & RELEVANCE

Cities of Opportunities: Connecting Culture and Innovation

- 2030 Agenda and NUA consider culture and cultural diversity sources of enrichment and key contributors to the sustainable development of urban areas
- The intersection of culture and innovation can address persistent and emerging urban challenges



WUF10 EVENTS

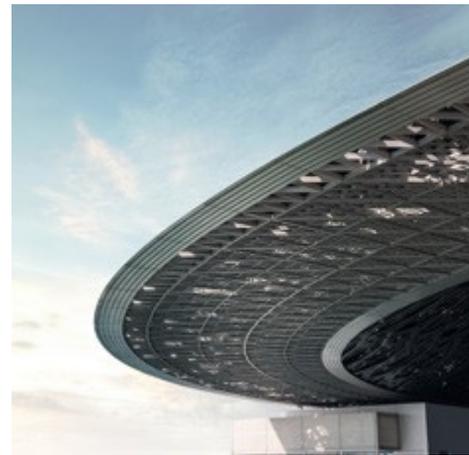
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| DIALOGUES high-profile events to deepen knowledge and discuss policy > | HIGH LEVEL ROUNDTABLES the highest-level segment, featuring decision makers to deliberate on subjects > | SPECIAL SESSIONS substantial thematic discussions with focus on NUA implementation > | ASSEMBLIES stakeholder groups gather and recommend on the successive programme > | STAKEHOLDER ROUNDTABLES opportunity to present projects, initiatives and research on the NUA implementation > |
| NETWORKING EVENTS > | SIDE EVENTS > | TRAINING EVENTS > | CAUCUS > | ONE UN ROOM > |



APPLY TO HOST AN EVENT

Stakeholders have an exciting opportunity to host one of the official events and to share and discuss best practices, new ideas, innovations or to provide relevant training to the Forum participants

DEADLINE 14 OCTOBER





NETWORKING EVENTS

Networking events last two hours and should focus on strengthening partnerships, calling for new alliances or launching joint initiatives on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.





SIDE EVENTS

The topic of a side event should be related to the overall WUF10 theme and will last one hour. A side event could include book launches, receptions and presentation to showcase projects, research, data, knowledge and initiatives relating to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda.





TRAINING EVENTS

UN agencies, partners universities, local governments, capacity development institutions and other stakeholders will provide training on a range of topics lasting three hours. Training events should focus on developing the skills and knowledge providing the “how to” approach to development challenges with innovative tools, methodologies and instruments.





THE EXHIBITION

An international World Urban Forum exhibition, the Urban Expo, will be open throughout the Forum. This will showcase some of the world's premier innovations in urban development and provide an exciting glimpse into the future of our urban world.

Deadline of applications for exhibition space: **15 November 2019**

**Exhibition Guidelines is available at <https://wuf.unhabitat.org/page/expo>*



WUF10 VENUE

Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Center

The Forum will be held at Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Center- **ADNEC**,
Khaleej Al Arabi Street, Abu Dhabi.

More information can be found
at: www.adnec.ae and on WUF 10
website under 'practical info' section

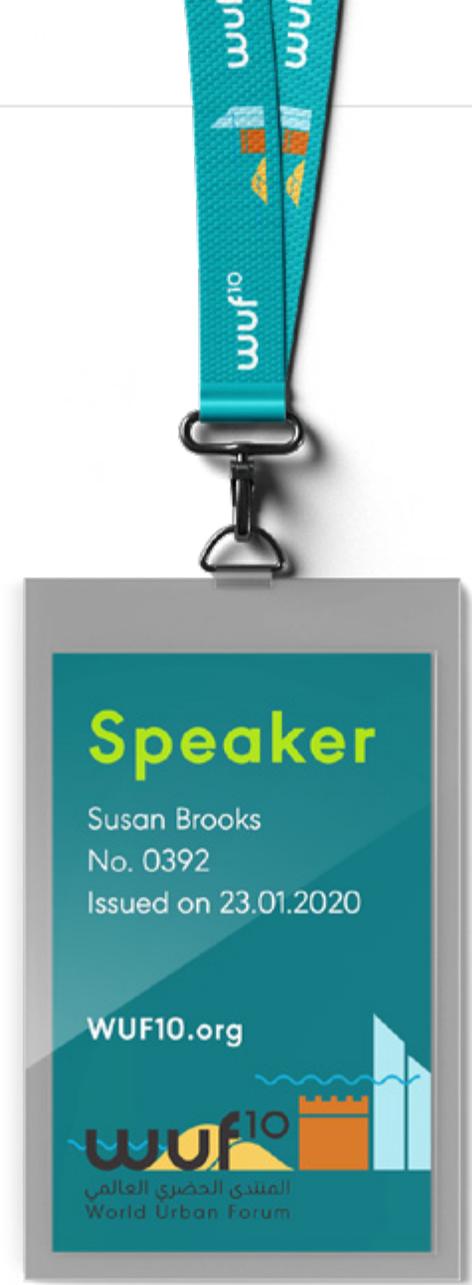
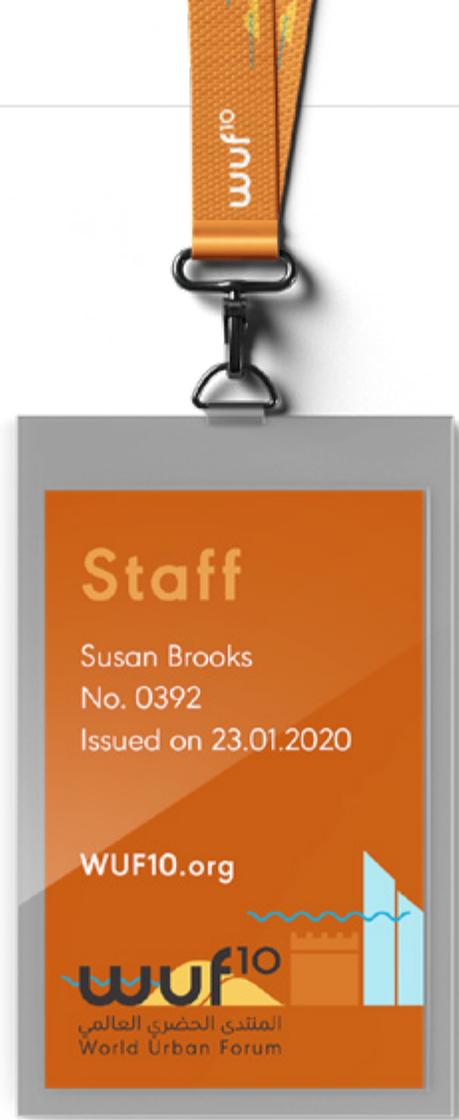


WUF10 REGISTRATION

<https://unhabitat.org/wuf>

As from 31 July, the registration for participation is open with a **deadline of 21 January 2020.**

All participants are required to register to access the venue and attend its meetings.



VISA PROCESS

Participants who register online are encouraged to seek VISAs as early as possible.

Before traveling to the U.A.E., check your VISA application and if your passport needs to be valid for a minimum period.

For more details on VISA requirements, please visit:
<https://wuf.unhabitat.org/page/practical-info>



ACCOMMODATION

Prospective participants to use on-line search websites for information on hotels in Abu Dhabi



WUF10 ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow WUF10 on **Facebook**
[@worldurbanforum](#) and **Twitter**
[@WUF_10](#)

WUF10 Mobile APP will provide participants with easy and real time information on the programme



IN THE NEXT MONTHS



- Final **Concept Paper** and **Background Paper**
- Session and Events **concept notes** published on the website
- **Invitations** continued
- Collecting proposed **speakers**

- Confirmation of **invited participants**
- Confirmation of **speakers**
- Confirmation of **Side, Training and Networking** events
- **Detailed Programme** on the website

- **Regional WUF briefings** with Member States
- WUF10 **mobilization continues**
- Travel, onsite operations and logistics

All invitation letters to Ministers of Foreign Affairs have been transmitted from Secretariat of Governing Bodies

WUF10 mobilization →



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Asia-Pacific Region



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Africa Region



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Europe and North America



WUF10 REGIONAL MOBILIZATION

Latin America & the Caribbean Region



WUF10 REGIONAL MOBILIZATION Arab Region





Thank you

