THE TENTH SESSION OF THE WORLD URBAN FORUM (WUF10)

The world's premier conference on cities.

Abu Dhabi, UAE 8-13 February 2020
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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

2002 – Nairobi
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

**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.
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
ADVISORY GROUP

The Advisory Group, comprising of a multi-partner assemblage, will be established prior to each session to advise and assist the Executive Director of UN-Habitat with the organization and conduct of the Forum to maximize the collection of outcomes and the Forum’s inclusivity.

Mandate

// Monitors the progress of deliberations and generally advises the Executive Director on how to generate an optimum outcome from the forum.

// Reviews the report of daily proceedings of the Forum to ensure the final declaration announced at the Forum’s closing ceremony reflects discussion and concerns of all partner groups.
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](http://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.
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

October

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

November

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

December

- 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
REGIONAL MOBILIZATION
Africa Region

2019
February
NATIONAL URBAN FORUM
Ethiopia
Rwanda

October
Democratic Republic of the Congo

2020
November
UCLG World Congress and World Council
Durban, South Africa

2022
February
World Urban Forum 11
Katowice, Poland

31 DAYS OF PROMOTING A BETTER URBAN FUTURE
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REGIONAL MOBILIZATION

Europe and North America

- **UN General Assembly**
  - New York, USA
  - **October**

- **Vancouver, Canada**
  - **WUF10 World Urban Forum 11**
  - Katowice, Poland
  - **November**

- **New York, USA**
  - **September**

- **New York, USA**
  - **April**

- **Vancouver, Canada**
  - **July**

- **Ekaterinburg, Russia**
  - **October**

- **New York, USA**
  - **November**

- **Barcelona, Spain**
  - **February**

- **Russia**
  - **July**

- **Russia**
  - **April**

- **Russia**
  - **November**

- **Russia**
  - **February**

- **Poland**
  - **April**

- **Poland**
  - **July**

- **Poland**
  - **November**
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REGIONAL MOBILIZATION

Latin America & the Caribbean Region

- **Forum of Latin America Countries on Sustainable Development**
  - 2019: Santiago, Chile
  - April

- **SMART CITY EXPO**
  - 2019: Puebla, Mexico
  - June

- **CARICOM 10th General Meeting**
  - 2019: Georgetown, Guyana
  - July

- **LAC 3rd Conference on Cities**
  - 2019: Santiago, Chile
  - October

- **MINURVI**
  - 2019: S. Jose, Costa Rica

- **World Urban Forum 11**
  - 2020: Katowice, Poland
  - 2022

- **CARICOM 10th General Meeting**
  - 2021: Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago
  - July

- **COP25**
  - 2021: Santiago, Chile
  - November

- **World Urban Forum 11**
  - 2022

- **UN-Habitat 10th General Meeting**
  - 2022: Puebla, Mexico
  - April
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Arab Region

WORLD ENERGY COUNCIL CONGRESS
ABU DHABI 9-12 SEPTEMBER 2019
ENERGY FOR PROSPERITY

31 DAYS OF PROMOTING A BETTER URBAN FUTURE

CONNECTING CULTURES ENABLING ECONOMIES
6th to 10th October 2019

ABU DHABI SUSTAINABILITY WEEK

World Urban Forum 11
Katowice, Poland

Abu Dhabi, UAE
September

Dubai, UAE
October

International Real Estate & Investment Show
Abu Dhabi, UAE
November

Abu Dhabi, UAE
January

Abu Dhabi, UAE
February

Abu Dhabi, UAE
2019

Dubai, UAE
2020

Abu Dhabi, UAE
2022
Thank you