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Nominations for the 2021 UN-Habitat Scroll of Honour Awards now open

Nairobi, 28 April 2021 – UN-Habitat, the United Nations agency focusing on sustainable urbanization, is calling for [nominations](#) for its prestigious Scroll of Honour award.

The award, launched in 1989, recognizes individuals and institutions which have made outstanding contributions to urban development including improving the quality of urban life for all and the provision of adequate, affordable and accessible housing.

In selecting the award winners, the Selection Committee will look at best practices, initiatives and innovative solutions related to Sustainable Development Goal 11 and the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, attention will be given to achievements in reducing urban greenhouse gas emissions, related to the World Habitat Day theme *Accelerating urban action for a carbon free world*.

Those eligible to be nominated include national, regional and local governments, inter-governmental organizations or agencies, civil society, the private sector, academic institutions, foundations, multilateral agencies, media and individuals.

Nominations must be made by third parties on the [online submission form](#) in English. The Guidelines for submitting nominations are [here](#). The closing date is 8 August 2021. Up to five winners will be selected and presented with their awards at the Global Observance of World Habitat Day on Monday 4 October 2021. The UN-Habitat Scroll of Honour nominees will be notified by 31 August 2021 on the outcome of the selection.

More information is available [here](#) or contact unhabitat-whd@un.org.

UN-Habitat (United Nations Human Settlements Programme)

UN-Habitat works in over 90 countries supporting people in cities and human settlements for a better urban future. A significant part of its work relates to responding to natural and man-made crises and on building back in a greener, safer and in a more resilient and inclusive way. Working with governments and local partners, its high impact projects combine world-class expertise and local knowledge to deliver timely and targeted solutions. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development includes a dedicated Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) on cities, SDG 11, to make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

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