

Agenda item 6

Preparations for the Eleventh Session of the World Urban Forum



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- **HSP/OECPR.2021/6:** Report of the Executive Director on preparations for the eleventh session of the World Urban Forum



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The **World Urban Forum (WUF)** was established by United Nations resolution 18/5 paragraph 10 of February 2001 and has progressively strengthened its authority as **a key coordination, advocacy, partnership, and knowledge platform on sustainable urbanization**



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WUF Objectives

A results-oriented advocacy and action platform

- 1. Improve the collective knowledge** of sustainable urbanization through inclusive open debates and the exchange of best practices and policies.
- 2. Raise awareness** of sustainable urbanization among stakeholders and constituencies, including the general public.
- 3. Increase coordination and cooperation** within the UN System and with different stakeholders and constituencies for the implementation of NUA and the SDGs.
- 4. Provide substantive and strategic inputs** from multilateral organizations, national and subnational governments, and stakeholders into the reporting **on NUA implementation.**



WUF10 Outcome Evaluation

Evaluation Findings (Preliminary)



WUF10 has proved to be **a highly successful conference** that has achieved its thematic and its strategic priorities. The expected accomplishments of the WUF10 are highly valuable and can be considered completed from the before-event perspective. From the after-event perspective, there are more expectations, and the recommendations aim to provide **the new solid ground for setting the bar of the WUF11 even higher.**

‘first time in the history of WUFs’



1. The gender parity amongst the speakers



2. Action oriented Outcome Document



3. Strategic engagement of Resident Coordinators



4. Largest delegation of persons with disabilities



5. Legacy Initiatives focusing on bridging the finance gap



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Declared Actions

One year of Implementation

Sharing progress on **the Abu Dhabi Declared Actions** and highlighting actions from collaboration and cooperation between WUF partners and stakeholders across the world



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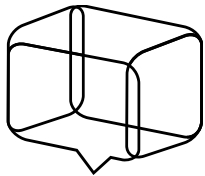
WUF11

Save the date

The Eleventh Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF11) will be held in **Katowice**, Poland

26-30 June 2022

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WUF11 Theme

Transforming Our Cities for a Better Urban Future

Developing greater clarity on the future(s) of cities and the ways cities can be better prepared and anticipate future shocks.

Informed by research and data produced for UN-H 2022 Flagship World Cities Report, *Envisaging the Future of Cities*, to be launched at WUF 11.

Expert Group Meeting held 8-10 June to define the priorities for WUF11 Dialogues.

WUF11 **Concept Note** will be shared August 2021.



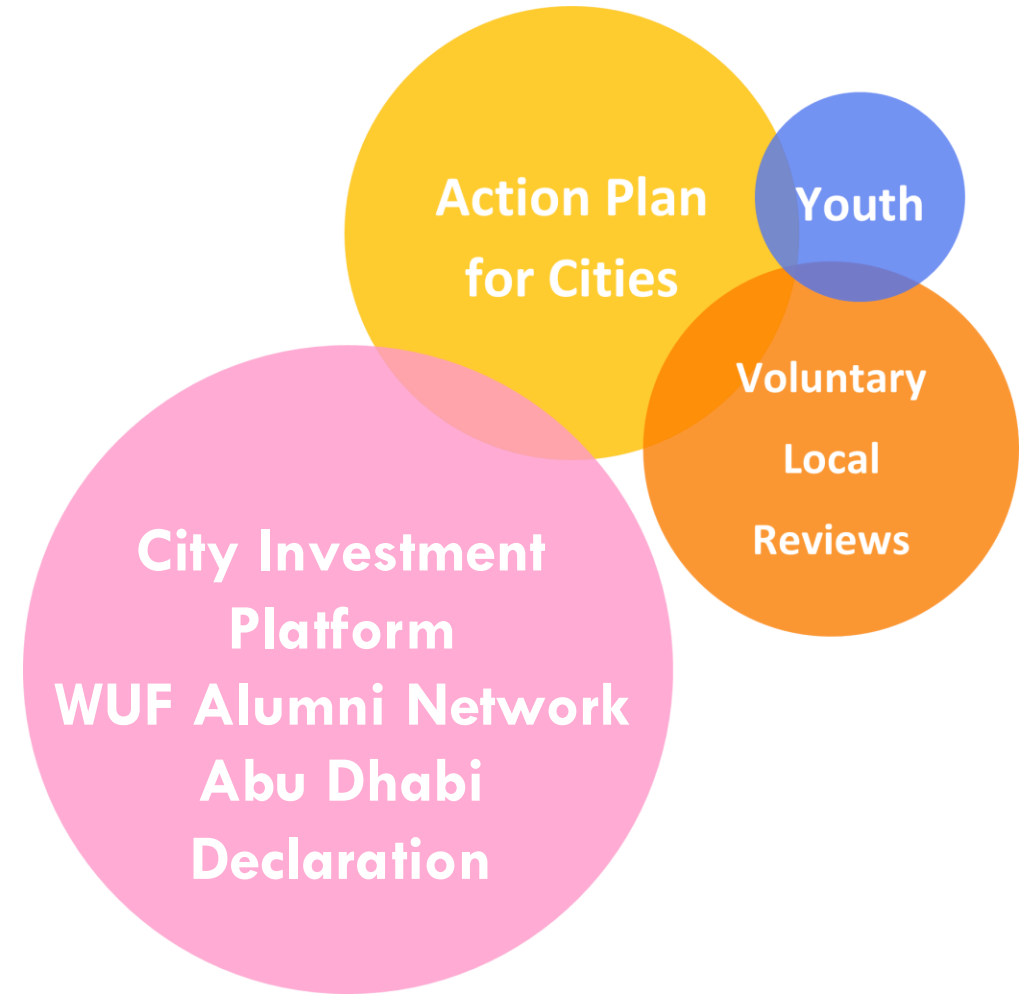
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Legacy Initiatives

WUF is committed to incubate scalable initiatives in the pursuit of sustainable urbanization through **Legacy Initiatives**.

Various WUF legacy initiatives were initiated in Abu Dhabi in 2020, such as the WUF Alumni Network and the City Investment Platform.

UN-Habitat initiated discussions with the Government of Poland and Katowice on the specific legacy initiatives of WUF11.



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WUF Visual Identity

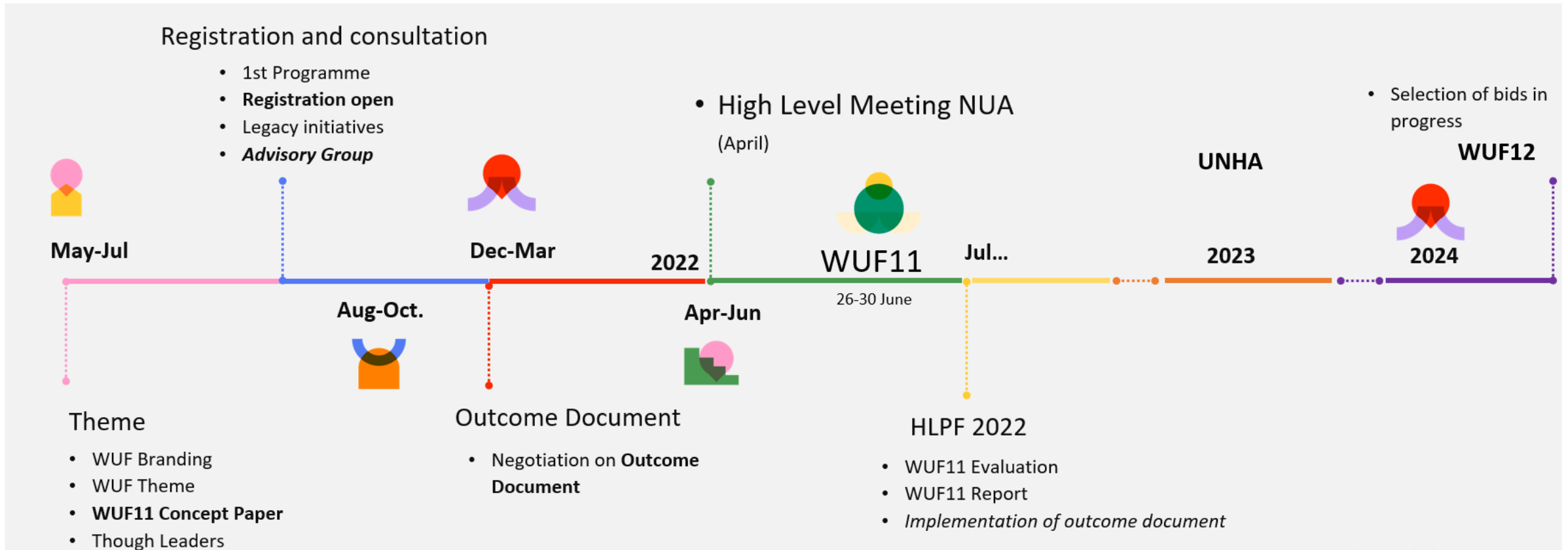
Preserving the core identity of the brand

A new **WUF universal logo** identifies with elements of dialogue, people, and structural space as being of the very essence of WUF.



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Roadmap 2021-2022



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