Relevant rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly and of the Executive Board

Rules 65 to 69 of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly

Other United Nations bodies, United Nations specialized agencies and related organizations

Rule 65

- 1. Representatives of other United Nations bodies, the United Nations specialized agencies and related organizations may participate, without the right to vote or make proposals, in the deliberations of the UN-Habitat Assembly on matters within the scope of their activities.
- 2. Such United Nations bodies and United Nations specialized agencies may circulate written statements relating to the items on the agenda of interest to them to members of the UN-Habitat Assembly.

Intergovernmental organizations and other entities

Rule 66

Representatives of intergovernmental organizations³ and other entities accorded permanent observer status by the General Assembly and representatives of other intergovernmental organizations designated on a continuing basis by the General Assembly or the Economic and Social Council, or accredited or invited by the UN-Habitat Assembly, or invited by the President of the UN-Habitat Assembly may participate in the deliberations of the UN-Habitat Assembly on matters within the expertise or scope of the activities of such organizations.

³ The modalities of participation of the European Union in the work of the United Nations, as set out in General Assembly resolution 65/276, shall be applicable to its participation in the UN-Habitat Assembly.

Local authorities

Rule 67

Duly accredited representatives of local authorities, invited by the Executive Director and in consultation with their respective Governments, where requested, or representing national or international associations or organizations recognized by the United Nations, may participate as observers at public meetings, and in the deliberations of the UN-Habitat Assembly and its intersessional organs.

Other Habitat Agenda partners

Rule 68

- 1. Duly accredited representatives of other Habitat Agenda partners may sit as observers at public meetings of the UN-Habitat Assembly and its intersessional organs.
- 2. Upon the invitation of the presiding officer of the body concerned and subject to the approval of that body, such observers may make oral statements on matters in which they have special competence.

Non-governmental organizations

Rule 69

Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council may designate authorized representatives to sit as observers at public meetings of the UN-Habitat Assembly and its intersessional organs. A non-governmental organization attending a meeting of the Assembly may, upon the invitation of the President and with the approval of the Assembly, make oral statements on matters within the scope of its activities.

Rules 17 of the rules of procedure of the Executive Board

Rule 17

- 1. Any State Member of the United Nations that is not a member of the Executive Board and any member of a United Nations specialized agency may attend Board meetings and may participate in its deliberations in the capacity of observer with the right to make proposals, but such proposals may only be voted on at the request of a member of the Board.
- 2. Representatives of the United Nations Secretariat; United Nations specialized agencies; any other organizations of the United Nations system, including international financial institutions; and regional development banks may participate in Board meetings as observers for consultation on matters that relate to their activities or those involving matters of coordination, including by invitation of the Executive Board.
- 3. The Executive Board may also invite, when it considers it appropriate, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or accredited to the UN-Habitat Assembly to participate in its deliberations on matters that relate to their activities.