28th meeting of the ad hoc working group on Programmatic, Budgetary and Administrative matters

Monday 12 September 2022 14:30 EAT

Update on the outcomes of the eleventh session of the World Urban Forum (WUF11)
Update on WUF11 Outcome
Key Themes of the Eleventh Session of The World Urban Forum

The Eleventh Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF11) was successfully held in Katowice, Poland, 26-30 June 2022

Transforming Our Cities for a Better Urban Future

Strengthening relationships and creating linkages to promote accelerated implementation of global goals

In response to urban crisis recovery and reconstruction and strengthening of UN-Habitat’ Domain of Change 4: Effective urban crisis prevention and response, an “extraordinary dialogue” was established.
Over 17,000 attended in-person/virtually

In-person: 10,799 from 158 countries  Virtual: 6,204

Prefer not to say: 1%

**ATTENDANCE BY REGION**

- Europe: 78%
- Asia: 9%
- Africa: 8%
- Oceania: 0%
- N. America: 2%
- L. America: 3%

**PHYSICAL/VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE**

- In-Person: 64%
- Virtual: 36%
## Agenda Item 9: In-person Participation - Top 10 countries

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Heads of State / Government
H.E. Mateusz Morawiecki, Prime Minister, Poland (Opening)
H.E. Nuno Gomes Nabiam, Prime Minister, Guinea-Bissau (Closing)
H. E. Mr. Collen Vixen Kelapile, President of ECOSOC (Closing)
H.E. Martha Delgado Peralta, President of the UN-Habitat Assembly (Closing)

Ministers:
22 Ministers and 20 Vice Ministers from 51 countries

Local Authorities: More than 75 local and regional government representatives including Mayors & Deputy Mayors & Governors & Deputy Governors)
Speakers – Main Sessions

535 CONFIRMED SPEAKERS FOR ALL SESSIONS

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504 - ALL SESSIONS EXCLUDING MINISTERIAL ROUNDTABLE

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**Sessions:**
- Assemblies: 5
- Dialogues: 7
- Roundtables: 15
- Special sessions: 13
- UN-Habitat Arena events: 19
- Press conference centre events: 20

**TOTAL:** 79

**OVERAL TOTAL (Sessions & events):** 451

**Events hosted by partners:**
- Networking event: 200
- Training event: 48
- One UN Room event: 15
- Voices from Cities event: 30
- SDGs in Action event: 15
- Urban Library: 22
- Urban Cinema event: 42

**TOTAL:** 372
WUF11 established a new benchmark for accessibility;

**Full interpretation** in all 6 UN languages as well as in Polish and Ukrainian (6 events). Most of the events were held with Hybrid capability for the global Audience.

Both the International and Polish **sign languages** were also provided. CART (**Communication Access Realtime Translation**) and numerous improvements for the **visually and physically impaired**.

Overall, **gender parity** was achieved in terms of the participants with **47% women and 53% men**.

**52% of speakers in the main sessions of WUF11** comprised of women among more than **630 session speakers**.
The Outcome - The Katowice Declared Actions

WUF11 closed with calls for urgent urban action

Approximately 100 of commitments have already been received from city planners, mayors, governments, civil society and community groups as of 31 July 2022 on the Urban Agenda Platform www.urbanagendaplatform.org on the WUF11 theme of ‘Transforming Our Cities for a Better Urban Future’
Key takeaways from the Katowice Declared Actions

1. Move from incrementalism towards fundamental shifts in urban environments, systems of governance and forms of habitation, in line with human rights treaties;

2. Focus on imminent urban crises such as climate and biodiversity emergencies, pandemics, violence and conflicts, and other natural and man-made disasters that all converge in cities and surrounding territories;

3. Reconfirm culture as a core component of local identity;

4. Encourage all development actors to mobilise their capacities in the UN Decade of Action and appeal to governments to better fund UN-Habitat.

5. Reconfirm that accessibility and universal design are an integral part of the solution to the challenges of urbanisation;
WUF12 Host Country Agreement signed

H.E. Mahmoud Shaarawy, Minister of Local Development, Egypt, and UN-Habitat Executive Director, signed the WUF12 agreement
An ongoing commitment - The WUF Alumni
WUF13 Expression of Interest uploaded on website

Hosting of the Thirteenth Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF13) – in 2026


Submission Period: 1 July - 15 November 2022
Thank You!