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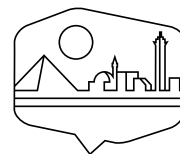
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Acronyms

AUC:	American University in Cairo
CSOs:	Civil society organizations
CUW:	Cairo Urban Week
EUC:	Egypt Urban Campaign
G20:	Group of Twenty
IPCC:	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
LRGs:	Local and regional governments
NUA:	New Urban Agenda
POCAA:	Platform of Community Action and Architecture
PPPs:	Public-private partnerships
SAGE:	Stakeholder Advisory Group Enterprise
SDGs:	Sustainable Development Goals
TICAH:	Trust for Indigenous Culture and Health

UN:	United Nations
UNEP:	United Nations Environment Programme
UNESCO:	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UN-Habitat:	United Nations Human Settlements Programme
UNHCR:	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
WUF:	World Urban Forum



World Urban Forum Alumni Cities

— FROM WUF1 TO WUF13

WUF 3
2006

- Vancouver, Canada

*Our Future: Sustainable Cities –
Turning Ideas into Action*

– Attendance: Over 10,400 –

WUF3 FUM3
World Urban Forum Forum urbain mondial

Vancouver,
Canada

WUF 11
2022

- Katowice, Poland

*Transforming Our Cities for
a Better Urban Future*

– Attendance: Over 17,000 –

WORLD URBAN FORUM
ELEVENTH SESSION
KATOWICE, POLAND | 26-30 JUNE 2022

Katowice,
Poland

WUF 2
2004

- Barcelona, Spain

*Cities: Crossroads of cultures,
inclusiveness and integration*

– Attendance: Over 4,300 –

WORLD URBAN FORUM

Barcelona,
Spain

Naples,
Italy

WUF 7
2014

- Medellin, Colombia

*Urban equity in development –
cities for life*

– Attendance: Over 22,000 –

WUF7 Medellin

Medellin,
Colombia

WUF 5
2010

- Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

*The Right to the City:
Bridging the Urban Divide*

– Attendance: Almost 13,000 –

WORLD URBAN FORUM 5
Rio de Janeiro - Brazil
22-26 March 2010

Rio de Janeiro,
Brazil

WUF 12
2024

- Cairo, Egypt

*It all starts at home:
Local actions for sustainable
cities and communities*

– Attendance: Over 25,000 –

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Note:

In 2016, the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (*Habitat III*) was held in lieu of the eighth session of the World Urban Forum (**WUF8**).

WUF 6
2012

• Naples, Italy

The Urban Future

– Attendance: Over 8,200 –



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NAPLES, ITALY 1-2 SEPTEMBER 2012

WUF 4
2008

• Nanjing, China

*Harmonious Urbanization:
The Challenge of Balanced
Territorial Development*

– Attendance: Almost 8,000 –



World Urban Forum 4
第四届世界城市论坛
03-06 November 2008 Nanjing, China

WUF 13
2026

• Baku, Azerbaijan
(has won the bid to host)

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**Baku,
Azerbaijan**

**Nanjing,
China**

WUF 9
2018

• Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Cities 2030, Cities for All

– Attendance: Over 23,000 –



KUALA LUMPUR • 7-13 FEB 2018

**Kuala Lumpur,
Malaysia**

WUF 10
2020

• Abu Dhabi, UAE

*Cities of Opportunities -
Connecting Culture and Innovation*

– Attendance: Over 13,000 –



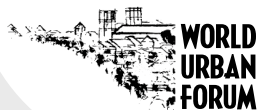
المنتدى الحضري العالمي
World Urban Forum

WUF 1
2002

• Nairobi, Kenya

Sustainable Urbanization

– Attendance: Almost 1,200 –



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FOREWORD

Message by the UN-Habitat Executive Director



Ms. Anacláudia Rossbach

Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

Looking at WUF12 and beyond

The twelfth session of the World Urban Forum (WUF12), held in November 2024 in Cairo, Egypt, in collaboration with the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt, marked a milestone as the largest Forum to date. Drawing over 25,000 attendees from 182 countries, WUF12 underscored the urgency of collective action to secure a sustainable urban future and adequate housing for all. The Forum engaged 4 heads of state, 1 prime minister, 4 deputy prime ministers, 60 ministers, 45 deputy ministers, 96 mayors and governors, alongside thousands of participants across 560 partner-led events, demonstrating a shared commitment to creating inclusive, resilient and sustainable urban spaces.

Established by the United Nations General Assembly as a non-legislative platform in 2001, the World Urban Forum facilitates inclusive dialogue among global stakeholders on pressing urban issues. It is one of the largest UN platforms convening diverse parties to exchange, partner and act on priorities to promote sustainable cities and communities — in line with the priorities of the New Urban Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals. WUF12 built on the momentum of the Pact for the Future, adopted at the Summit of the Future in New York in September 2024, offering a timely opportunity to integrate the Pact's commitments into global discussions.

The Forum culminated in the Cairo Call to Action — a declaration providing a clear framework and roadmap for progress and urging decisive, collective efforts to transform cities and communities through local action.

The Call urges responses to tackle one of the greatest challenges of our time: the global housing crisis, affecting 2.8 billion persons – including 1.1 billion living in informal settlements. The right to an adequate standard of living was recognized as a human right in the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights and in the 1966 International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Right. Adequate housing is more than just shelter. It is the foundation of dignity, security and a cornerstone for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

As we look ahead to the thirteenth session of the World Urban Forum (WUF13) in Baku, Azerbaijan, in 2026, we invite you to join us in our global advocacy to promote adequate housing and sustainable urban development.

I can confidently say that the World Urban Forum is now the world's largest global urban coalition. My vision is to ensure we build a critical mass of ideas, networks and practices in the lead up to WUF13 and I count on all to collaborate with UN-Habitat to make it a reality.

Together, we can transform cities and communities into engines of opportunity, equity and sustainability offering a better quality of life for all.



FOREWORD

Message by the Egyptian Minister of Local Development



Dr. Manal Awad

Minister of Local Development
The Arab Republic of Egypt

The twelfth session of the World Urban Forum (WUF12), hosted in Cairo in November 2024, marked a pivotal moment in the global conversation on sustainable urbanization. As one of the world's most historic and dynamic cities, Cairo provided an inspiring backdrop for discussions on localization, resilience and inclusive development. Over the course of the forum, stakeholders from across the globe came together to exchange ideas, share best practices and reaffirm their commitment to building cities that are not only sustainable but also responsive to local needs. The insights and collaborations fostered at WUF12 will serve as a foundation for future policies and initiatives that emphasize local action with global impact.

At the heart of WUF12 was the recognition that sustainable urban development must be driven from the ground up. Egypt's commitment to localization has been evident through its efforts to strengthen local governance, empower communities, and integrate smart urban planning into national development strategies. The Ministry of Local Development has been at the forefront of these efforts, implementing initiatives such as the Upper Egypt Local Development Program, the expansion of sustainable city models and programs that enhance local economic opportunities. WUF12 provided a platform to showcase these initiatives while fostering international collaboration to scale up localization efforts worldwide.

Cairo, as the host city of WUF12, exemplifies the balance between preserving heritage and embracing modernity. Delegates had the opportunity to explore Cairo's diverse urban fabric, from the historic streets of Old Cairo to the state-of-the-art infrastructure of the New Administrative Capital.

Beyond the capital, WUF12 also showcased sustainable urbanization efforts across Egypt's governorates, reinforcing the importance of locally driven, context-specific solutions. These experiences highlighted how urban transformation can be inclusive, resilient and reflective of community needs.

As we reflect on the key outcomes of WUF12, one message stands clear: localization is central to achieving sustainable urbanization. Looking ahead, the momentum generated at WUF12 must translate into tangible actions that reshape the future of cities. The Cairo Call to Action serves as a roadmap for this journey, emphasizing the need for stronger multi-level governance, climate-responsive urban planning and inclusive

economic development. Egypt remains steadfast in its commitment to this agenda, recognizing that empowered local communities are the foundation of resilient and future-ready cities.

On behalf of the Ministry of Local Development and the Government of Egypt, I extend my deepest gratitude to all who contributed to the success of WUF12. Your dedication, expertise and collaboration have been instrumental in shaping the outcomes of this forum. As we move forward, let us turn our shared vision into reality, ensuring that urban development is truly localized, inclusive and sustainable for generations to come.



FOREWORD

Message by the Egyptian Minister of Housing, Utilities and Urban Communities



Dr. Sherif El-Sherbini

Minister of Housing,
Utilities and Urban Communities
The Arab Republic of Egypt

Hosting the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum (WUF12) in Cairo in November 2024 was a proud and defining moment for Egypt. It reaffirmed our nation's leadership and proactive stance on sustainable urban development, showcasing both our achievements and our unwavering commitment to inclusive, resilient and forward-looking urbanization.

At WUF12, Egypt had the unique opportunity to highlight the breadth of its national urban strategy—from the modernization of infrastructure and the development of new cities to the upgrading of informal areas and expansion of affordable housing. These efforts reflect our belief that access to adequate housing, basic services, and integrated communities is a right for every citizen, and a cornerstone for national progress.

The Ministry of Housing, Utilities and Urban Communities has long championed an ambitious vision for Egypt's urban future—one rooted in sustainability, equity and innovation. Our work on the New Urban Communities Program, the expansion of green and smart cities, and the provision of clean water and sanitation services demonstrates the scale and ambition with which we are transforming urban life across governorates.

WUF12 offered an unparalleled platform for exchanging ideas, forging partnerships and accelerating collective action. The dialogue and collaboration it fostered will guide our efforts as we continue to deliver on Egypt's urban agenda and contribute to global progress on the New Urban Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals.

I extend my deepest gratitude to all who contributed to the success of WUF12—locally and internationally. Let us carry the momentum of the Forum forward, turning shared aspirations into bold, inclusive, and sustainable urban solutions for the benefit of current and future generations.



FOREWORD

Message by the Governor of Cairo



Dr. Ibrahim Saber Khalil

Governor of Cairo,
The Arab Republic of Egypt

It was a great honour for Cairo to host the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum (WUF12) from 4 to 8 November 2024. As one of the world's most significant gatherings on sustainable urbanization, WUF12 provided a global platform for dialogue, innovation and collective action to address the challenges and opportunities shaping our cities.

As Governor of Cairo, I was privileged to actively participate in discussions, panels and events that underscored the importance of inclusive urban development, resilient infrastructure and equitable access to opportunities. Cairo's hosting of WUF12 was a momentous occasion, reaffirming our city's historical role as a centre of cultural exchange and its commitment to pioneering urban solutions for the future.



Throughout the Forum, the exchange of ideas and experiences between international experts, policymakers and practitioners reinforced the urgency of rethinking urban development models. Cairo, a city that embodies both heritage and transformation, stands ready to contribute to these global efforts by embracing innovative policies, sustainable practices and participatory approaches that ensure a better urban future for all.

I extend my deepest appreciation to UN-Habitat, all partners and participants who made WUF12 a success. May the discussions and partnerships forged during this Forum continue to inspire impactful solutions that create more liveable, inclusive and resilient cities worldwide.



CHAPTER 2

Executive summary





Opening ceremony of the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum.

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2.1

Background of the World Urban Forum





Audience at the Children and youth roundtable.

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Established in 2001 by the United Nations General Assembly and convened by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), the World Urban Forum (WUF) has evolved into the premier global conference on sustainable urbanization, serving as a high-level, open and inclusive platform to address the challenges of urbanization and its impact on communities, cities, economies, climate change and policies. The Forum also plays a key role in monitoring and reporting on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda (NUA), a global framework, adopted at the Habitat III conference in

Quito in 2016, to guide sustainable urban development and promote inclusive, resilient and equitable cities.

With the objectives of raising awareness, improving collective knowledge and promoting collaboration and cooperation for sustainable urban development, WUF brings together relevant partners including Member States, local and regional governments, UN entities and major groups and other stakeholders to address one of the critical global trends in today's world shaping the fate of people and planet.

2.2

The twelfth session of the World Urban Forum

The twelfth session of the World Urban Forum (WUF12) took place from 4 to 8 November 2024 at the Egypt International Exhibition Center in Cairo, Egypt. Co-organized by UN-Habitat and the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt, this session marked a significant milestone, bringing the Forum back to Africa for the first time since its inaugural edition in Nairobi, Kenya, in 2002.





Participants posing with a WUF12 branded installation.

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WUF12 was also the first major United Nations conference held since the Summit of the Future in September 2024 and the adoption of the Pact for the Future. The Forum offered a timely opportunity to integrate this Pact's commitments into discussions with global stakeholders, including universal access to adequate, safe and affordable housing; implementation of just, safe, healthy, accessible, resilient and sustainable cities; localization of sustainable development while considering future generations; as well as the role of digital technologies in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

WUF12 was the largest edition in the Forum's history, with record-breaking attendance of over 25,000 attendees from 182 countries, 42 per cent of whom travelled from abroad. This Forum also achieved new benchmarks for inclusivity, registering the highest number of countries represented and the largest

number of partner-led events. The five-day event featured 659 activities, including assemblies, dialogues, roundtables and special sessions, as well as partner-led events in diverse categories including Networking events, SDGs in action, Voices from cities, One UN, Training events, Urban cinema, Urban library and Urban Expo.

In addition, WUF12 strengthened the Forum's connection with its host city through the WUF Legacy Projects initiative to ensure a lasting positive impact on Cairo. This initiative introduced Cairo Urban Week, a series of events engaging local communities and the renovation of a public space in a Cairo neighbourhood to enhance liveability and inclusivity. These legacy projects not only deepened WUF's engagement with the host city but also provided participants with an opportunity to experience Cairo's urban transformation in a meaningful way.



UN-Habitat Deputy Executive Director
Michal Mlynár delivering remarks
at Dialogue 2.

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WUF12 also implemented a comprehensive sustainability strategy to mitigate the Forum's environmental impact. This strategy reduced energy consumption, ensured a smaller carbon footprint, and promoted responsible water and waste management. These initiatives led to measurable successes, including a 25.22 per cent reduction in total emissions (equivalent to 123.59 tCO₂e). Through partnerships with local initiatives 68 per cent of waste was diverted from landfills. Additionally, 70 per cent of food sold at WUF12 was locally sourced, organic and featured seasonal ingredients. WUF12's legacy thus includes a concrete commitment to a more sustainable Forum.

Under the theme "It all starts at home: Local actions for sustainable cities and communities", WUF12 focused on localizing the Sustainable Development Goals, shedding light on the local actions and initiatives required to address the current global challenges affecting the daily life of people, including unaffordable housing, rising living costs, climate change, the lack of basic services, ongoing conflicts and more. WUF12 mainstreamed four important key messages:

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It all starts locally



It all starts locally: The concept of localization recognizes the role of subnational governments and calls for a whole-of-society and whole-of-government approach, empowering local stakeholders and fostering citizen engagement. It requires aligning actions with community priorities, recognizing the unique conditions of each locality.

It all starts together: Localizing the SDGs can empower local stakeholders, encourage citizen participation and make sustainable development more responsive to local needs – positively impacting small communities and sprawling megacities alike.

It all starts together



It all starts now



It all starts now: WUF12 was held amidst calls to collectively address global challenges such as rising poverty and inequality, climate change, armed conflict and the digital divide. The Forum took place shortly after the Summit of the Future, roughly five years before the deadline to deliver on the SDGs, highlighting the transformative role of sustainable cities and communities within the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

It all starts at home: The concept of “at home” extends beyond the physical structures that shelter us; it encompasses the cultural, social, economic and environmental dimensions that define our communities. It is also an invitation to benefit from home values, innovations, solutions and inspiration, and initiate change from home: locally, together and now.

It all starts at home



The substantive outcomes of WUF12 are reflected in three complementary documents: the Cairo Call to Action, the WUF12 Report (this document) and the newly introduced WUF Perspectives. The Cairo Call to Action captures the Forum’s shared messages and priority actions, calling for stronger local leadership, inclusive housing policies, resilient public spaces and urgent climate action. The WUF12 Report provides an overview of the programme, participation and strategic highlights, while WUF Perspectives captures the voices of participants and synthesizes substantive insights from the Forum’s discussions. Together, these outcome documents contribute to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and will inform UN-Habitat’s strategic planning, including the development of the Strategic Plan 2026–2029, the resumed session of the UN-Habitat Assembly and broader global urban development processes.

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Cairo Call to Action





Participants listening to simultaneous interpretation of the session.

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The [Cairo Call to Action](#) was unveiled at the Forum's closing ceremony. Recognizing urbanization's role in advancing social equity, climate resilience and economic growth, the document outlines key priorities to address urban challenges. The Cairo Call to Action highlights key areas, such as the need to solve the global housing crisis, promote inclusive public spaces, unlock finance for cities and communities and foster resilient cities. In line with the WUF12

theme, the Call to Action emphasizes the critical role played by local actors. It urges all stakeholders to drive local actions that support the implementation of the SDGs and the New Urban Agenda. It concludes by highlighting the major role played by coalitions and partnerships to achieve sustainable urbanization and encourages stakeholders to build action-oriented coalitions to achieve global urban agendas locally.

2.4

WUF12 in numbers

The twelfth session of the World Urban Forum was the largest and most inclusive edition in the Forum's history, bringing together a diverse range of stakeholders committed to shaping sustainable urban futures through local action. The following figures highlight the scale, diversity, and global reach of WUF12 that defined this landmark edition.

Participation statistics and demographics

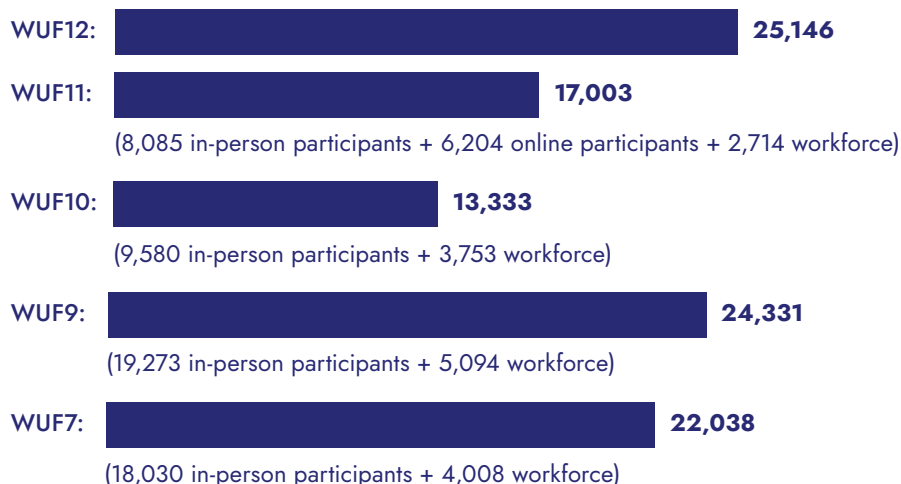
Total number of attendees



WUF12:
25,146



18,764
in-person participants



2,059
online participants



4,323
Workforce

Number of countries

182

countries

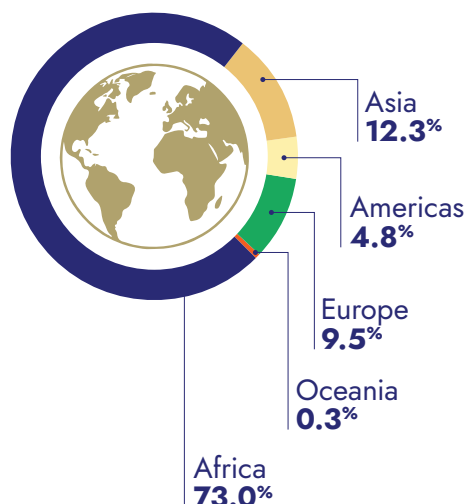
In-person attendance percentage:

75%

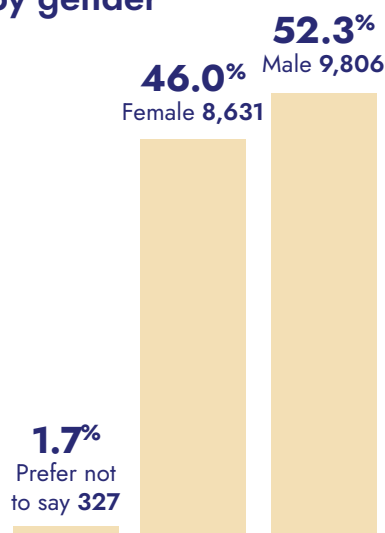
In-person participation by types of organization

Academia/Research	23.7%
Civil society organization	9.2%
Foundation	1.8%
Individual	10.6%
Inter-governmental organization	3.0%
Local and regional government	8.2%
Media	2.5%
National government	19.6%
Parliamentarian	0.3%
Private sector	14.0%
United Nations	5.1%
Volunteer	2.1%

In-person participation by regions



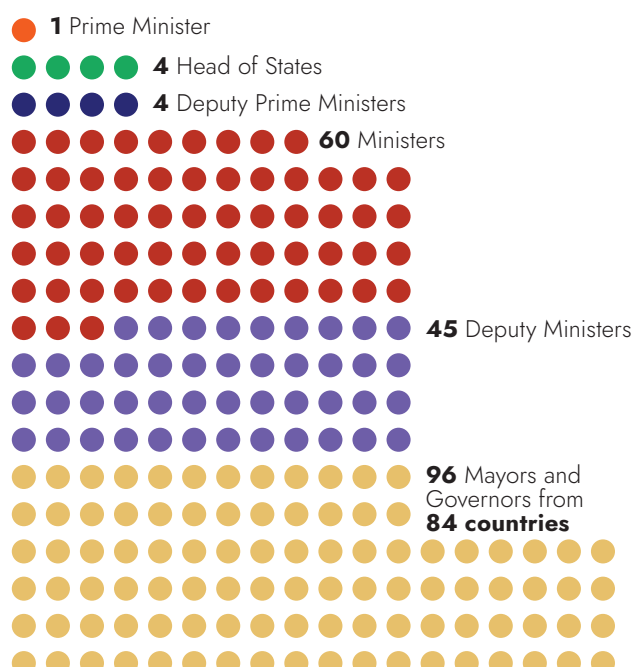
In-person participation by gender



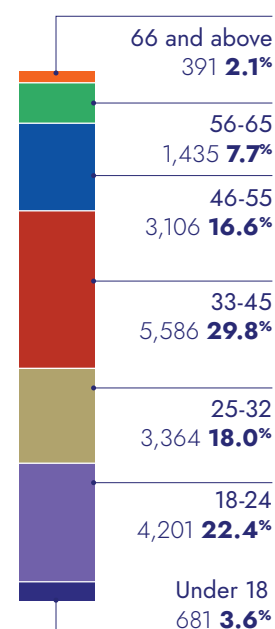
In-person participation by top 10 countries

Egypt	58.3%
Saudi Arabia	2.7%
China	1.8%
United States of America	1.8%
Kenya	1.6%
France	1.6%
Germany	1.6%
Sudan	1.4%
United Kingdom	1.3%
India	1.2%

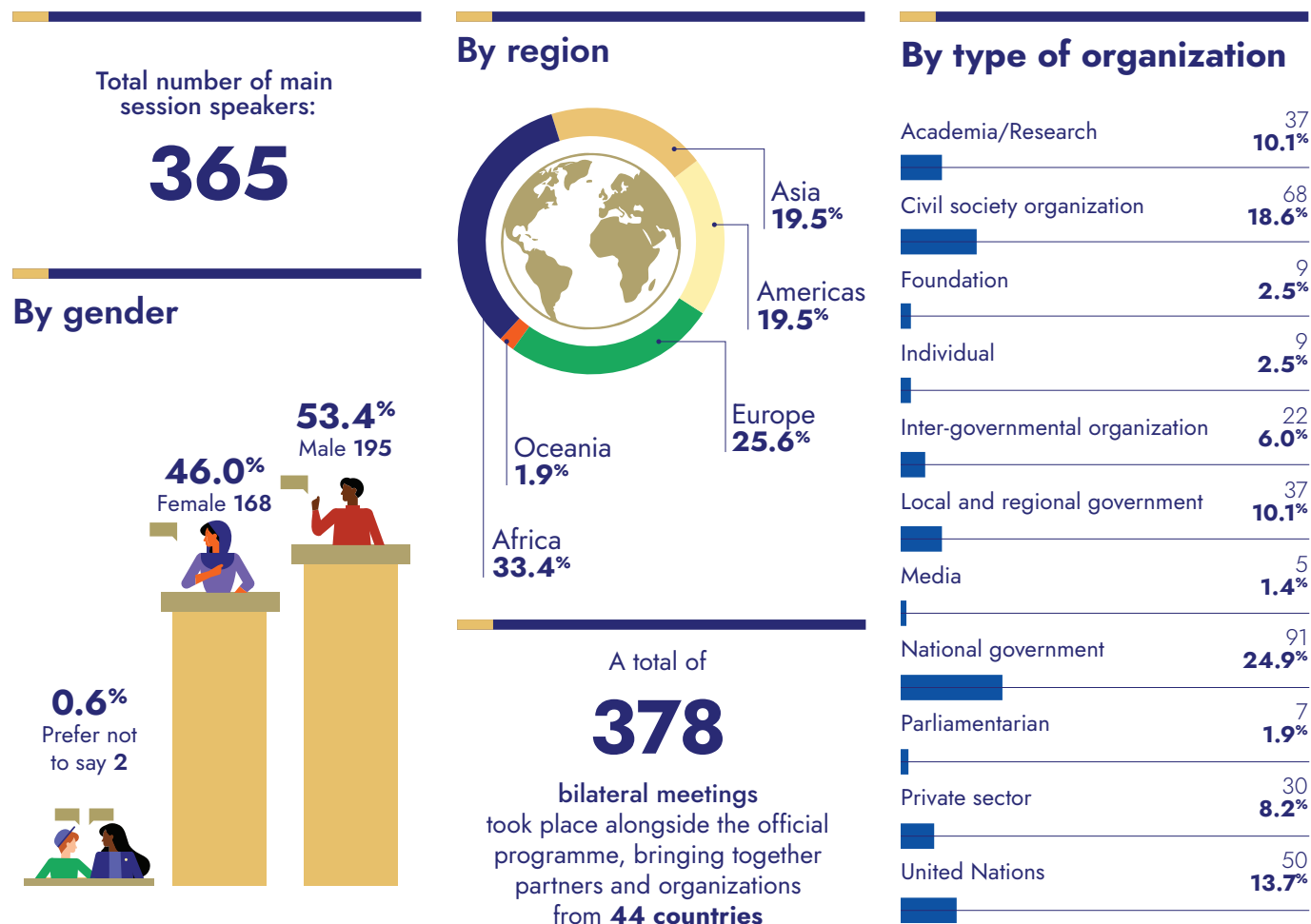
High-level participation



In-person participation by age



Main session speakers statistics and demographics



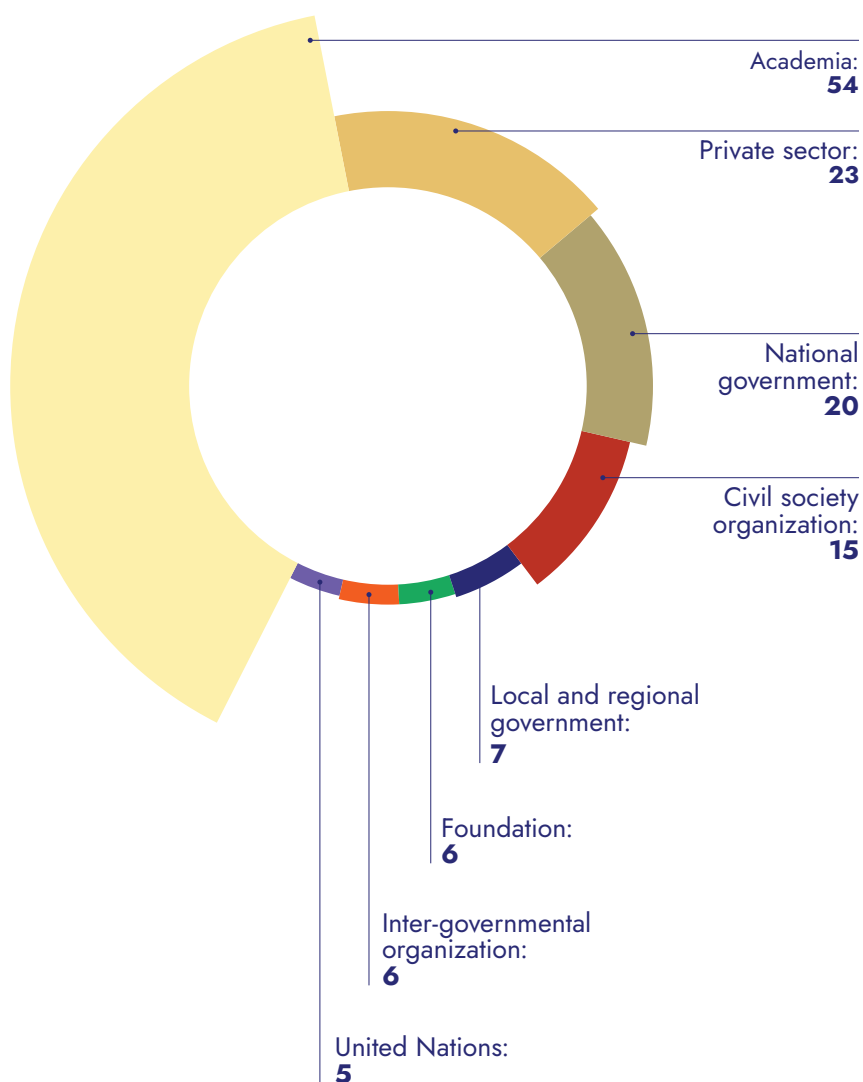
Number and type of events

Opening and closing ceremonies	2		One UN	35		Urban library	48	
Dialogues	6		SDGs in action	66		Urban cinema	28	
Assemblies	5		Voices from cities	104		UN-Habitat Arena	29	
Roundtables	13		Networking events	211		Press conference centre events	15	
Special sessions	9		Training events	68		Caucus meetings	20	

Urban Expo metrics

No. of exhibitors: **136** | Countries: **47** | Net space size: **8,807.5 sqm**

Partner types



Media impact

No. of media representatives attended: **500+**

Reach: **285** articles

in English, French, Arabic and Spanish, reaching **120+ million** impressions across **50+ countries**

Sustainability metrics of WUF12



Total emissions reductions: 25.22%, **123.59 tCO₂e**



Targeted lighting reductions: **43.68 tCO₂e**



Waste diversion reductions: **4.05 tCO₂e**



Approximately **68%** of waste diversion from landfills as a result of partnerships with local initiatives that recycled or repurposed event waste after collection, as well as sustainability measures aimed at reduced single use plastic and individual packaging for food items.



70% of food sold was local, organic and featured seasonal ingredients, while **45%** of offerings were plant-based and vegan; contributing to mass reductions in CO₂e.

Note: Total emissions reductions from an estimated baseline from previous WUF's

CHAPTER 3

Sustainability at the heart of WUF12





The twelfth session of the World Urban Forum in Cairo marked a significant milestone in event planning, with the introduction of comprehensive strategies focused on sustainability, accessibility and inclusivity. These strategies aligned the Forum with global best practices, ensuring that WUF12 was not only a platform for urban dialogue but also a model for responsible, inclusive and high-impact event execution.

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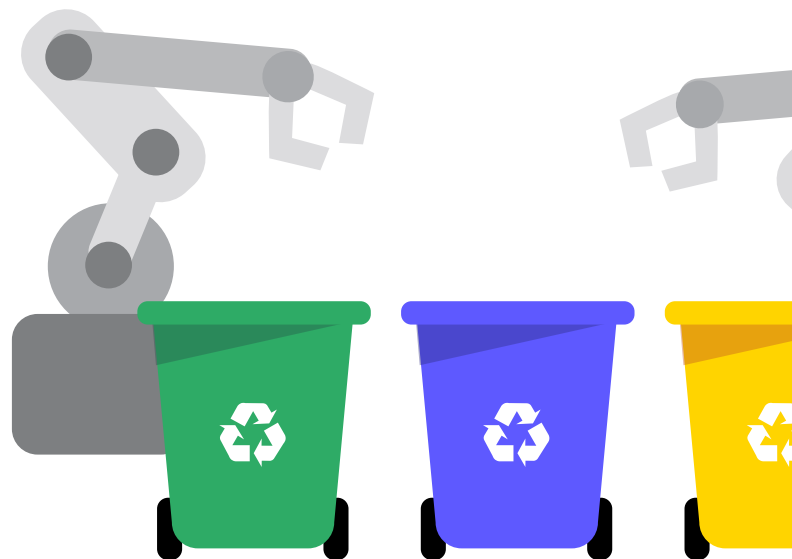
Sustainable materials used
for the Urban Expo.

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Sustainability

Recognizing the environmental, social and economic impacts of large-scale events, the sustainability strategy was designed to minimize the Forum's footprint while maximizing contributions to sustainable development.





An upcycled fashion show at the special session “Zero waste world”.

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The approach was built around three key priorities:

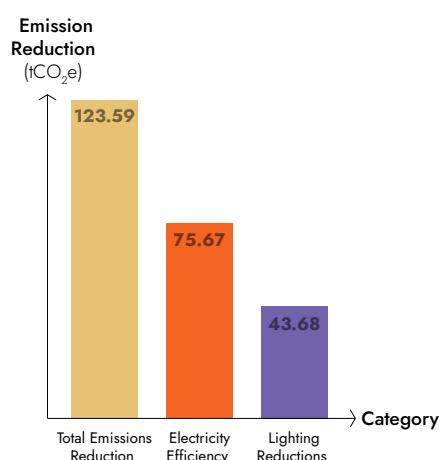
- Promote environmental sustainability through energy efficiency, sustainable catering and a comprehensive waste management system that prioritized recycling and composting during the event.
- Reduce the carbon footprint reduction by encouraging public transport, carpooling, virtual participation, and accommodations located near the venue to minimize travel-related emissions.
- Enhance the local economic and social impact by engaging local businesses, sourcing from local suppliers and promoting sustainable procurement practices.

These three priorities were translated into the following concrete actions to improve sustainability at WUF12.

Energy and emissions management

Sustainable energy practices were prioritized during WUF12 to minimize electricity consumption and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Natural daylight was fully utilized at all hall entrances during peak daytime hours (8:00 AM–3:00 PM), reducing dependence on artificial lighting and enhancing the event’s ambiance. Additionally, 50 per cent of ceiling-mounted ambient lighting was switched off and low-wattage, energy-efficient IP 66 ceiling lights were installed in key areas, optimizing energy use.

These measures, combined with enhanced waste management strategies, led to an estimated 25.22 per cent reduction in total emissions, equivalent to 123.59 tCO₂e. Notably, electricity-related efficiency measures accounted for 61.23 per cent of these reductions, with targeted lighting reductions alone preventing 43.68 tCO₂e of emissions.



Emission reductions by category

To further optimize energy use, 95 per cent of event spaces were equipped with high-performance HVAC systems, ensuring consistent air quality and thermal comfort. Smart lighting controls automatically adjusted illumination based on occupancy, reducing energy waste. The venue's Building Management System dynamically managed air conditioning according to real-time activity, aligning energy consumption with actual needs.

Water management

WUF12 incorporated multiple water-saving measures to reduce consumption and enhance efficiency. A total of 80 water dispensers were deployed throughout the venue, together with reusable flask giveaways, eliminating the need for single-use plastic bottles.

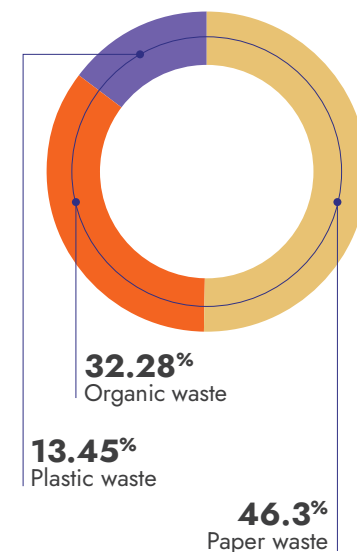
Each dispenser had a 4.99-gallon capacity, with an average of five refills per day to meet demand. Additionally, a recycled wastewater irrigation system covered 100 per cent of the venue's water needs, ensuring sustainable water use.

Waste management

Comprehensive waste management strategies were implemented to maximize recycling and diversion from landfills. All waste generated at WUF12 was sorted at collection points into five designated streams: paper, plastic, metal, organic waste and general waste.

The largest categories of waste at the Forum were paper (46.3 per cent), organic waste (32.28 per cent) and plastic (13.45 per cent). Through partnerships with local recycling and waste repurposing initiatives, WUF12 achieved an estimated 68 per cent waste diversion rate, preventing 4.05 tCO₂e of emissions from landfill disposal.

Categories of waste collected at WUF12



Recycling bins encouraged waste separation at the event.

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Sustainable materials and green spaces

The design and materials used for WUF12 were carefully selected to reduce environmental impact. The venue construction incorporated prefabricated and modular structures, minimizing material waste and ensuring future reusability. Low-VOC (Volatile Organic Compound) materials were used for paints, adhesives and finishes, improving indoor air quality, while sustainable flooring made from bamboo and cork was installed in high-traffic areas. Temporary outdoor structures were built using natural, locally sourced materials, reinforcing WUF12's commitment to minimizing its ecological footprint.



Electric vehicles operated within the venue to reduce the event's carbon footprint. © UN-Habitat

Sustainable travel and mobility

Seven metro lines facilitated the movement of participants to and from the venue, while the venue provided parking for 2,000 cars, with designated areas for electric vehicles, reinforcing a shift toward sustainable transport solutions.

Responsible catering

Catering decisions at WUF12 were also made based on considerations of sustainability. 70 per cent of menus featured organic, fresh and seasonal ingredients. Nearly 42 per cent of all menu items included fruits and vegetables, promoting healthy and sustainable food choices. In efforts to reduce packaging waste, 45.62 per cent of vendors opted for bulk condiment servings instead of individually packaged items.

Furthermore, 100 per cent of seafood vendors sourced their products from sustainable supply chains, ensuring responsible harvesting methods aligned with common practices in Egypt. All marine-based dishes were clearly labelled, allowing attendees to make informed choices.



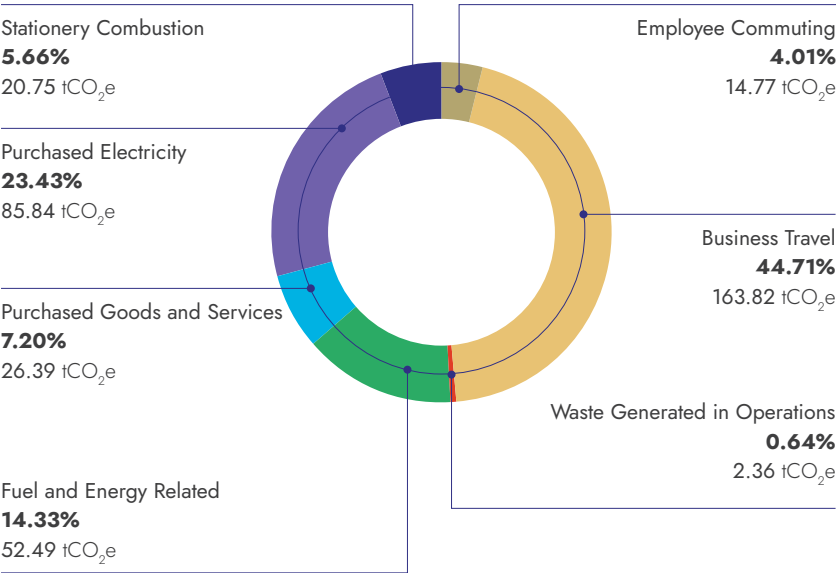
Carbon footprint and reporting

WUF12’s carbon footprint was meticulously tracked across three categories: direct emissions (Scope 1), emissions from purchased energy (Scope 2), and other indirect emissions (Scope 3). This approach follows the calculation methodologies of the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Guidelines, ISO 14064-1:2018, and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Guidelines

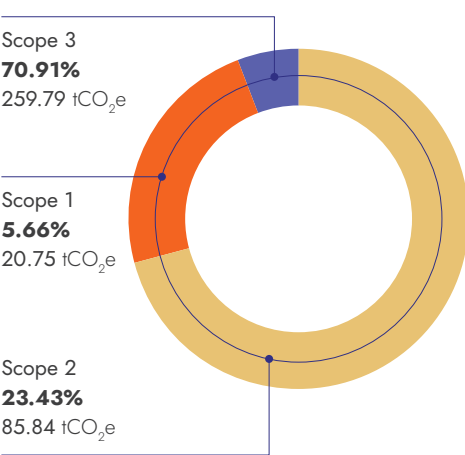
Total greenhouse gas emissions for WUF12 amounted to 366.39 tCO₂e across all three scopes. Scope 3 emissions—primarily from business travel—were the largest contributor, accounting for 70.91 per cent of the total. Scope 2 emissions, largely from venue electricity consumption, represented 23.43 per cent of total emissions, reflecting the high energy demand of event operations.

Scope 1 emissions were reduced through targeted sustainability measures—including enhanced waste management and electricity-related efficiency initiatives—which led to an estimated 25.22 per cent overall reduction in emissions (123.59 tCO₂e). Of these reductions, 61.23 per cent were achieved through electricity-related measures, with lighting reductions alone preventing 43.68 tCO₂e.

Detailed breakdown of total greenhouse gas emissions for WUF12



WUF12’s carbon footprint



How many pieces of clothing do you currently have in your closet?



Special session "Zero waste world".

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3.2

Accessibility

Ensuring participation for all was at the heart of WUF12. The accessibility strategy built on the success of previous Forums, guided by the United Nations Disability Inclusion Strategy and global accessibility standards.





Performance at the special session
“Empathy in motion”.

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It aimed to achieve the following objectives:

- Ensure venue and facility accessibility through pre-event assessments, ramps, accessible seating and dedicated accessibility desks.
- Establish digital accessibility through compliance with Web Content Accessibility Guidelines and assistive technologies such as hearing loops and real-time captioning.
- Facilitate inclusive communication by making all documents and materials available in accessible formats.

Accessibility and inclusive design

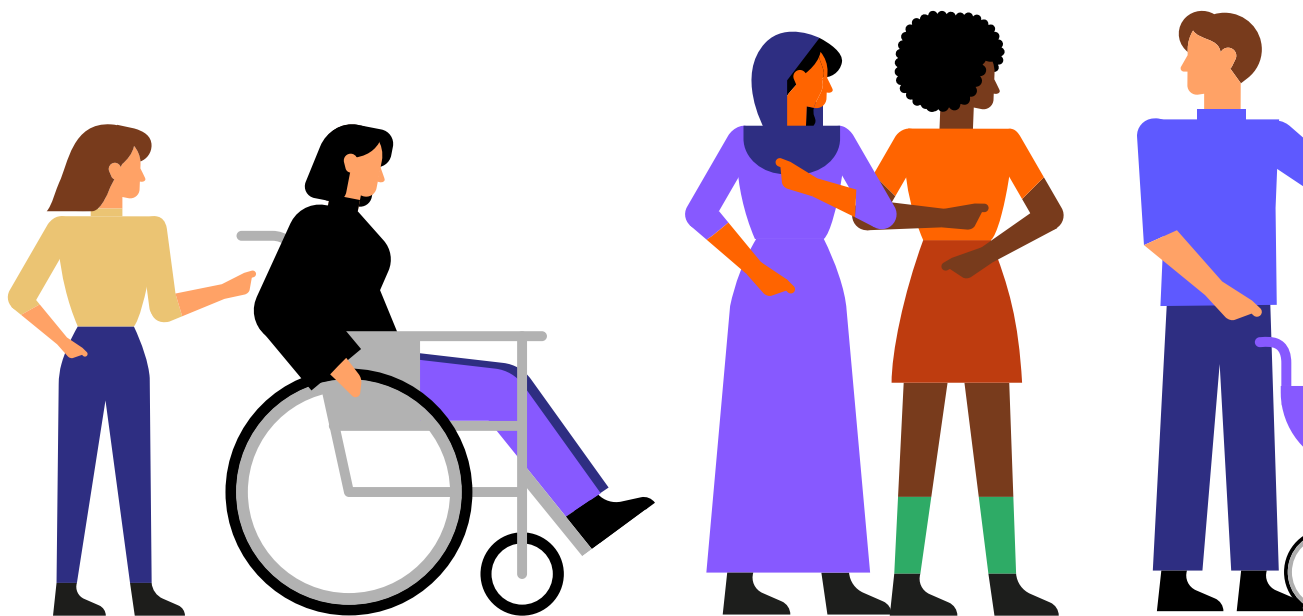
Accessibility was prioritized in every aspect of venue design, ensuring that all participants could fully engage in WUF12. Over 400 meters of continuous pavement provided barrier-free mobility, while halls featured over 138 meters of uninterrupted pathways for unrestricted access. Ramps and balustrades were installed at key locations and braille blocks guided visually impaired attendees.

The registration tent featured six main entrances, with a separate ramp entrance for physically impaired attendees. Wheelchair accessibility was further supported by two stations providing 12 wheelchairs, alongside dedicated Red Crescent representatives and first-aid room positioned throughout the venue. Additionally, service dogs were accommodated with two designated relief areas and participating hotels were encouraged to accept guide dogs.

To enhance mobility within the venue, three accessible vehicles transported attendees with disabilities from parking areas to different Forum locations. A dedicated accessibility team was present on-site, providing real-time monitoring and assistance to ensure inclusivity.

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Inclusivity





Youth participants exchanged ideas to promote inclusivity at the Urban Expo.

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WUF12 was committed to amplifying the voices of those in vulnerable situations and fostering a culture of inclusion and respect. The inclusivity strategy aimed to:

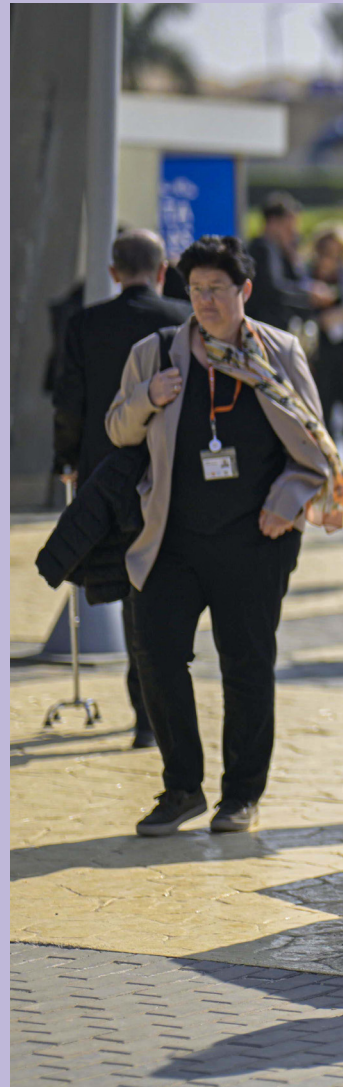
- Ensure diverse representation by maintaining gender, age and geographical balance among speakers, while prioritizing participation from underrepresented groups, including persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and youth.
- Develop an inclusive program through incorporating themes relevant to those in vulnerable situations and using varied session formats to accommodate different learning and exchange styles.
- Women comprised 51 per cent of all invited speakers, with a final representation of 46 per cent.
- Two designated service dog relief areas were established at the venue and partnerships with hotels ensured service dogs were accommodated for guests and participants.
- 45 per cent of menu options included vegan, low-fat or gluten-free choices to cater to diverse dietary needs.

Inclusivity metrics, such as gender balance and representation data, informed post-event impact assessments and will guide future improvements. The report found:

WUF12 set a new benchmark for sustainability, accessibility and inclusivity in global events. From reducing emissions and optimizing resource efficiency to ensuring inclusive participation, this edition demonstrated that sustainability is not just a goal—it is an integral part of how the World Urban Forum is designed and delivered. As the Forum continues to evolve, the lessons and achievements of WUF12 will serve as a foundation for even more ambitious sustainability measures in future editions.

CHAPTER 4

Programme overview





Participants used the WUF app to check event details outside the venue.

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Main sessions



Dialogues



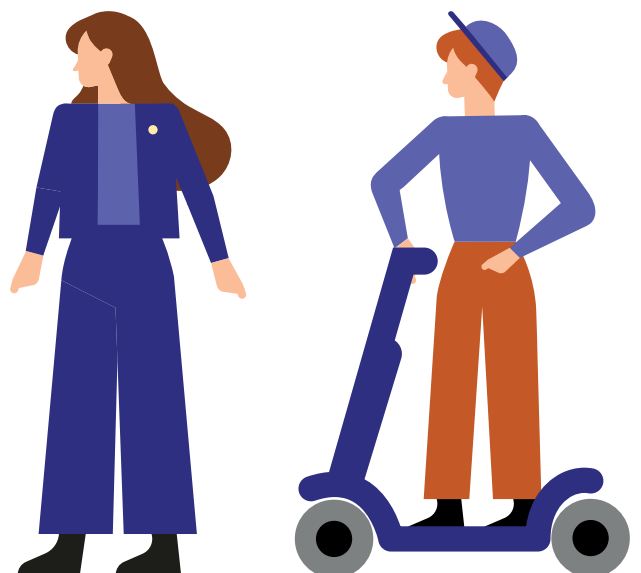
Assemblies



Roundtables



Special Sessions





Dialogues

Dialogues were high-profile events that aimed at collecting key reflections on the status of and way forward for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. Each dialogue served as a crucial lens through which to view connections between the concept of “home” and the multifaceted challenges and opportunities entailed in localization.

Setting the agenda for policy and action, the six Dialogues started and finished with housing related issues and defined the key themes of all WUF events and activities. They addressed the most pressing urban challenges and provided a platform for experts, policymakers and practitioners to engage in meaningful discussions.

Dialogue 5

“Putting people first in the digital era”.

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Dialogue 1: Housing our future. This dialogue reiterated that realizing the right to adequate housing is the cornerstone of people and communities' health, dignity, safety, inclusion and well-being, as well as a core element of the social contract. In this framework, this session reflected on how the housing crisis — with its distinct regional drivers and manifestations including homelessness, evictions, displacements, housing costs and the expansion of informal settlements — is strongly interrelated to the climate crisis, the cost-of-living crisis, conflicts and insecurity. Participants emphasized the importance of prioritizing adequate housing in national development agendas through long-term, overarching policies that go beyond merely increasing supply to focus on those most in need. They also stressed the need to establish clear roles for all stakeholders and levels of government through implementation plans supported by clear and stable regulations. The dialogue emphasized the importance of effective land-use policies and integrated financing frameworks to deliver solutions at scale. Participants called for innovative approaches, such as mixed-use developments and expanding non-market housing, emphasizing the need for localization to align policies with community realities and ensure equitable implementation.

Dialogue 2: Cities and the climate crisis. This dialogue highlighted that cities are at the forefront of the climate crisis, both as vulnerable hotspots and as key drivers of solutions. The discussion emphasized the urgent need for greater recognition of urban action in national and global climate frameworks, particularly through the integration of urban priorities in Nationally Determined Contributions. Speakers underscored gaps in urban planning that must be addressed to strengthen resilience and accelerate mitigation efforts, as well as the need for innovative funding mechanisms



to scale climate action in cities. The dialogue also reinforced the importance of localization in designing effective and equitable adaptation strategies and empowering local planners. Strengthening multilevel governance and ensuring cities have direct access to climate finance were identified as essential for enabling effective urban climate action.

Dialogue 3: Stronger together. This dialogue underscored that partnerships are essential for achieving global goals at all levels. Speakers emphasized the critical role of multilevel governance, community engagement and inclusive policymaking in addressing global challenges and achieving the

A participant posed a question to the panel during Dialogue 2 "Cities and the climate crisis".

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Participants lined up to share remarks at Dialogue 1, "Housing our future".

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SDGs. Participatory processes were recognized as crucial for developing inclusive solutions that address the needs of marginalized communities. Equitable access to resources, anti-discriminatory policies, transparent governance structures and participatory decision-making were all identified as key elements in building trust and fostering social cohesion. Participants foregrounded localization as essential for tailoring solutions to specific community contexts and highlighted capacity-building initiatives as critical mechanisms for adapting best practices effectively and inclusively at the local level. The discussion reinforced that only inclusive solutions can address the real needs of society, calling for collective action to build resilient and equitable urban environments.

Dialogue 4: Financing localization and localizing finance. This dialogue examined the financing constraints that challenge cities' ability to respond to local. The Dialogue noted that cities have little access to external capital and limited capability to raise their own revenues, leading to a strong dependency on intergovernmental transfers. Participants emphasized the need to develop local revenue streams while improving financial and budget practices. The need for evidence-based urban planning, expanded property taxes and greater financial accountability and transparency were prominent messages. Localization allows cities to adapt financial strategies to unique contexts, ensuring funding is directed toward impactful, community-centred initiatives that align with global goals.

Dialogue 5: Putting people first in a digital era. This dialogue focused on leveraging technology to create inclusive, resilient cities, emphasizing the importance of robust governance, digital literacy and addressing the digital divide. Participants noted the essential role of digital technology in improving urban planning and quality of life. They highlighted the opportunities for equitable urban development and informed decision-making while acknowledging that barriers also require urgent action including the need to ensure digital safety, regulate artificial intelligence and prioritize responsiveness to people's needs. Localization was highlighted as critical for tailoring digital solutions to specific community needs, ensuring technology enhances rather than exacerbates inequalities.



Dialogue 6: The loss of home.

This dialogue highlighted the need to go beyond quantifying damage and qualifying the human face of what it means to lose your home and neighbourhood. Participants emphasized the need to look at urban displacement as a continuum across the transitions of the humanitarian-development-peace nexus and proposed that it be fully integrated into longer-term territorial and urban investment strategies beyond short-term aid. The dialogue saw calls for a stronger focus on social justice, the centrality of security of tenure, as well as a community and neighbourhood focus, with local governments playing a stronger role in collective rebuilding to integrate housing and livelihoods. Scaling local solutions through multilevel partnerships was a key takeaway, promoting collaboration among local, national and international actors to address crises and post-crisis actions holistically.



Assemblies

Assembly sessions, held prior to the official opening of the World Urban Forum, convened key stakeholders from diverse sectors of society. These sessions provided a platform for exchanging ideas, fostering collaboration and translating stakeholder contributions into actionable urban policies. Assemblies played a critical role in shaping the Cairo Call to Action and aligning urban strategies with global goals.

Joint opening of assemblies.

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Joint opening of assemblies

The opening emphasized localization as a key strategy for addressing urban challenges. It showcased the pivotal roles of women, youth and grassroots organizations in shaping inclusive, sustainable cities. Key insights included the importance of empowering local governments to implement global commitments and creating multi-stakeholder platforms for collaborative governance. Representatives from the various assemblies highlighted six priority themes for sustainable urbanization:

1. Promoting gender equality by removing barriers for women to advance SDGs locally.
2. Building resilient homes and communities by freeing homes from violence and supporting inclusive cities, recognizing women's significant contributions in these areas.
3. Empowering grassroots organizations by supporting local groups to influence policymaking at all levels.
4. Enhancing local government roles through customized, cooperative collaboration with local governments to implement the New Urban Agenda.
5. Leveraging private sector contributions by mobilizing private sector funding and skill development initiatives to drive sustainable development.
6. Strategic focus on housing through collective efforts to address the urgent housing crisis facing billions, shaping global policies via the Strategic Plan (2026-2029) at the United Nations Habitat Assembly in 2025.

Women's assembly.
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Children and youth assembly.
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Grassroots assembly

At this assembly, grassroots communities were celebrated as pivotal players in urban development, showcasing innovative solutions in housing, climate action, crisis response and data collection. The session stressed the need to scale grassroots-led initiatives and foster stronger collaborations with governments and private sectors ensuring that grassroots movements are recognized as drivers of change through policy support and funding. Highlighting examples from Uganda and

the Philippines, participants called for co-creation in policymaking and urban planning. The assembly reinforced that empowering grassroots communities is key to tackling the complex challenges facing informal urban settlements, promoting sustainable local economic development and equitable urban solutions.



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Children and youth assembly

Focusing on the significance of youth leadership in shaping urban futures, the discussions in the Children and Youth Assembly highlighted the creation of youth councils, tailored mental health and education programs and youth-led environmental initiatives. Localizing these efforts ensures relevance to community needs while empowering youth to drive sustainable change. The assembly underscored the transformative potential of youth in addressing housing, climate and social inclusion challenges.

World assembly of local and regional governments

This session emphasized the critical role of local and regional governments in achieving sustainable urban development. Key insights included the need to foster inclusive citizen engagement to ensure policies reflect the diverse community needs, enhance policy coherence to address pressing challenges such as climate change and housing, and amplify the global representation of local voices in decision-making processes. Localization was recognized as a catalyst to drive sustainable urban development, through the empowerment of local communities and the connection with the other levels of government. The discussions highlighted the need for a renewed and inclusive multilateral system, knowledge-sharing platforms and decentralized governance. Speakers also

stressed the need to build partnerships with the private sector to enhance resilience and capacity, as well as the importance of investing in innovative funding mechanisms. The Assembly built political momentum, linking the outcomes of the Summit of the Future, the upcoming Fourth Conference on Finance for Development, and the World Social Summit, all under the framework of the New Urban Agenda.

Women's assembly

Women's leadership in shaping gender-responsive urban policies was among the key focus of the Women's Assembly. Discussions revolved around the need for local data to reflect women's diverse needs, especially in marginalized communities. Participants advocated for strengthening women's access to housing and property rights, fostering STEM education for socioeconomic inclusion and addressing gender-based violence through community-driven solutions. The session highlighted the importance

of meaningful participation in decision-making processes and designing urban spaces that promote safety and inclusivity.

Business and foundations assembly

The session explored the pivotal role of private sector investments in sustainable urban transformation. Key discussions focused on aligning business innovation with urban challenges such as affordable housing, clean energy and smart cities. Highlighting the need for public-private partnerships, participants emphasized deploying technology to address local priorities and scaling solutions through financial incentives. The session showcased how collaborative, community-driven approaches can transform cities into resilient ecosystems, making a compelling case for the private sector as a key partner in achieving urban SDGs.

Women's assembly.

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Roundtables

Children and youth roundtable.

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Roundtable sessions at WUF12 were designed as action-oriented platforms, bringing together peers to exchange perspectives on critical urban issues. These events encouraged partner constituencies to identify areas of consensus and chart paths forward on emerging global trends. Projects, initiatives and research shared by partners were explored during the sessions, showcasing the value of inclusion and peer-to-peer learning – principles foundational to the World Urban Forum's transformative approach.



Parliamentarian roundtable

Co-organized by UN-Habitat and the Inter-Parliamentary Union, the roundtable brought together over 100 parliamentarians and other actors, who discussed the role of parliamentarians in localizing global goals through tailored legislation and resource allocation. Discussions focused on empowering municipalities to address housing and climate challenges, fostering digital inclusion and promoting sustainable urban planning. By leveraging local knowledge and fostering cross-sector partnerships, parliamentarians can address disparities, ensure inclusivity and champion responsive urban policies that influence sustainable development. The session underscored their ability to align national frameworks with local needs in advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Ministerial roundtable

The Ministerial roundtable convened over 70 ministers, deputy ministers and senior national government representatives, marking the highest level of such participation in the Forum's history. The session focused on accelerating the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the 2030 Agenda by strengthening multilevel governance, policy coherence and financial mechanisms to empower local action. Ministers underscored the central role of national governments in shaping urban sustainability through policy alignment, investment frameworks and capacity building. Discussions highlighted the critical role of national frameworks in empowering local authorities to tackle housing, climate resilience and urban challenges. Participants also emphasized public-private partnerships, green bonds and digital governance as essential tools for financing climate-resilient infrastructure, expanding affordable housing and improving service delivery. The roundtable concluded with a call for regional platforms such as ASEAN, BRICS and national urban forums, to foster consensus and drive coordinated urban development strategies.

Ministerial roundtable.

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Local and regional governments roundtable.

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One UN roundtable

The One UN roundtable, which hosted representatives from more than 50 United Nations entities, including 15 top representatives of Under-Secretaries-General, Assistant-Secretaries-General, UN Resident Coordinators and Deputy Executive Directors, explored the UN's role in advancing localization by bridging global and local financing gaps. Case studies demonstrated the successful localization of climate frameworks and tax revenue enhancement at the municipal level. The roundtable emphasized the importance of integrating local governments into global financing dialogues and fostering partnerships for green and affordable housing. Participants highlighted how localization strengthens local capacities, aligning global strategies with community-specific priorities.

Local and regional governments roundtable

This session discussed how local and regional governments (LRGs) can be integrated into global governance frameworks from a bottom-up approach. It brought together representatives from various sectors to explore transformative approaches, focusing on overcoming data, capacity and finance gaps that delay progress toward the SDGs. Discussions highlighted the importance of partnerships and localization was identified as crucial for ensuring that policies reflect diverse community needs and priorities, fostering trust and accountability through participatory governance.

One UN roundtable.

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Children and youth roundtable

Highlighting the essential role of youth in governance, sustainability and innovation, the Children and youth roundtable focused on fostering youth leadership in local governance, promoting environmental stewardship through localized projects and bridging funding gaps to support youth-led initiatives. The session concluded with a call for inclusive partnerships and digital tools to empower youth in addressing urban challenges and fostering community-driven solutions.

Women's roundtable

The Women's roundtable showcased the transformative potential of empowering women in urban planning and governance. Key themes included fostering gender-responsive policies, designing safe and inclusive public spaces, and supporting women entrepreneurs. Localization was identified as essential for tailoring solutions to women's needs, with discussions

emphasizing grassroots advocacy, gender-sensitive data collection and participatory urban planning. The session called for systemic changes to increase women's representation and economic inclusion in urban governance.

Business, foundations and philanthropies roundtable

This roundtable explored the role of businesses and foundations in advancing sustainable urban development through localized partnerships and innovation. Key themes included leveraging private sector expertise for climate resilience, fostering public-private partnerships and aligning investments with local priorities. Participants stressed the importance of knowledge-sharing platforms and financial incentives to accelerate urban infrastructure development. Localization was deemed critical for aligning private sector efforts with community needs, optimizing investments and promoting sustainability.



Persons with disabilities roundtable

The session spotlighted the importance of integrating disability-inclusive urban design into local planning. Discussions highlighted universal design, accessible public spaces and the co-creation of solutions with persons with disabilities as means for ensuring infrastructure is adapted to diverse needs. Localization was identified as vital in tailoring policies to community-specific contexts and ensuring resilience measures incorporate disability-inclusive perspectives. The roundtable called for disability-disaggregated data and inclusive crisis-preparedness protocols to foster equitable urban development.

Indigenous peoples roundtable

WUF12 brought back the Indigenous peoples roundtable as part of the main events. Shedding light on the challenges and opportunities for indigenous communities amidst urbanization, the dialogue focused on land rights, cultural preservation and environmental resilience, emphasizing the need for localized policies and inclusive governance. The session called for empowering youth through cultural education, language revitalization and legal reforms to protect indigenous land and traditions, fostering a sense of identity and resilience in urban settings. Highlighting the integration of indigenous knowledge into climate adaptation and urban planning, participants emphasized the critical role of indigenous voices in shaping sustainable and just cities.

Indigenous peoples roundtable.

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Professionals roundtable

The roundtable was convened by the Habitat Professional Forum and celebrated professionals' pivotal role in localizing sustainable urban solutions. Key insights included tailoring urban interventions to community-specific contexts, fostering participatory planning and addressing housing and climate challenges through rapid, localized responses. Professionals emphasized their role in capacity building, establishing partnerships and advocating for evidence-based policies. The session highlighted the importance of reforming outdated planning systems to address future urban challenges and align with the SDGs. Representatives of global associations of urban professionals also reconfirmed their commitment to support UN-Habitat mandate and work together to promote sustainable urban development.

Older persons roundtable

The session highlighted the need for localized approaches to create age-friendly cities that address older adults' unique challenges, such as accessibility and isolation. Discussions emphasized the inclusion of older persons in policymaking, fostering intergenerational connections and preserving cultural heritage. Localization was underscored as necessary for tailored solutions, such as accessible housing and mobility systems, and stronger community bonds. The roundtable called for age-specific data collection and digital inclusion initiatives to empower older populations and ensure equitable urban development.





Civil society roundtable

Underscoring the role of civil society organizations (CSOs) in localizing global urban commitments, participants highlighted the importance of partnerships, data-driven advocacy and inclusive approaches to urban planning. Discussions focused on CSOs' ability to amplify marginalized voices, advocate for housing as a right and promote resilience in climate action. The roundtable called for innovative, scalable solutions rooted in community engagement and collaboration with governments and private entities.

Academia roundtable

This session showcased academia's transformative potential in addressing urban challenges. Discussions emphasized co-producing knowledge with communities to tackle housing and climate crises and building localized coalitions for impactful solutions. Universities were recognized as critical players in bridging data gaps, developing tailored climate resilience strategies and fostering cross-sector partnerships. The roundtable also advocated for hands-on urban pedagogies to equip future leaders with skills for sustainable and inclusive urban development.

Business and
foundation roundtables.

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Special sessions

For the first time in WUF's history, Special sessions were curated with current, exploratory and out-of-the-box themes that extended beyond the core WUF12 focus. Moreover, each special session was co-curated with a strategic partner. There were nine Special Sessions, with eight led by UN-Habitat and one by the host country. These sessions introduced innovative framing involving alternative formats such as art performances, interactive audience engagement, cultural exhibitions in the city and experiences in the Urban Expo. A range of topics were covered, including health and well-being in cities, the circular economy, empathy and inclusion, and history and heritage, among others.

Special session "A space for all".

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The heartbeat of the city

Exploring the city as a living ecosystem, this session delved into the intersection of urban health, well-being, innovation and urban planning, emphasizing the preventive role of urban development in fostering healthier, more resilient cities. Rather than treating health as a reactive measure, discussions centred on embedding urban health and quality of life principles into city policies, planning and investment strategies. The session highlighted the crucial role of securing adequate housing, integrating biodiversity and green spaces, and fostering social cohesion as key strategies to mitigate health risks such as stress, pollution and social isolation—factors that directly influence both longevity and overall quality of life. Case studies showcased how participatory urban design, inclusive public spaces, multi-sector collaboration and data-driven policies can strengthen resilience, promote social equity and embed health as a central pillar of urban governance.

The session concluded with the launch of *“Heartbeat of the city: Key actions to shape healthier urban futures”*, a document reaffirming the commitment to health and quality of life-oriented urban development. It laid out a roadmap for securing adequate housing, embedding biodiversity and nature into urban health policies, and investing in well-designed public spaces that foster well-being and inclusivity. Additionally, the document underscored the importance of data-driven policy, future-proofed urban planning and cross-sector investment in health-promoting infrastructure. The *“Heartbeat of the city”* received broad endorsement, reinforcing the urgency of integrating urban health and quality of life as a core principle in policy, governance and city investments.



Zero waste world

The session opened with an upcycled fashion show that reimagined waste, setting the stage for discussion on transitioning to zero-waste systems through inclusive and context-specific approaches. The show was accompanied by a musical performance by Electro Zebala, an Egyptian duo known for creating instruments from waste, featuring Shady Rabab, the 2018 United Nations Environment Programme Champion of the Earth for Africa. To gauge shifts in perception, a Mentimeter poll conducted before and after the event captured changes in attitudes towards zero waste.

The heartbeat of the city, special session.

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The panel explored innovative zero-waste business models, including reuse and refilling system exemplified by “Algramo”, a private operator in Chile, and the experience of waste pickers in Cairo, with localization as a core principle in designing inclusive, context-specific solutions.

Zero waste world, special session.

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Special session “A space for all”.

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Case studies from San Fernando, the Philippines and Senegal illustrated how tailored strategies can drive effective circular solutions while delivering economic and social benefits.

To achieve a zero-waste world, the panel emphasized the need to scaling solutions through localized approaches, supportive policies, funding and multi-sector collaboration. The session underscored the power of positive narratives in driving behavioural change, concluding with a second Mentimeter poll, which revealed increased awareness and growing support for zero-waste initiatives.

A space for all

This session highlighted the transformative role of art and culture in fostering inclusive and vibrant urban spaces. It opened with a dynamic drum circle experience led by the Trust for Indigenous Culture and Health, bringing participants to their feet as they clapped and joined the rhythms. The Trust shared insights into how drum circles in Nairobi create

meaningful connections, build community resilience and transform public spaces into hubs of energy and collaboration.

The panel included representatives from UNESCO, the Azerbaijan National Government, Placemaking X, the American University of Cairo, the Platform of Community Action and Architecture and Tellart. Discussions focused on how public art and digital technologies can enhance community engagement, improve safety and drive innovation in urban planning. Examples ranged from grassroots art initiatives advocating for social change to the emergence of digital public spaces that amplify voices and

foster dialogue. Participants explored how integrating art into urban design enables creative placemaking, strengthens social cohesion and supports communities in recovering from crises with resilience. As part of the session, two artists from Kenya and Ecuador created live paintings, emphasizing the benefit of art in cities.

The session underscored the importance of cross-sectoral partnerships for embedding art and culture into long-term urban policies, emphasizing their role as catalysts for sustainable and inclusive urban development. By weaving artistic and cultural practices into the fabric of cities, communities can create spaces that inspire creativity, foster belonging and promote well-being.

Financing sustainable urban development

Curated and implemented by the Government of Egypt, this session aligned with the country's strategic plans and priorities for sustainable urbanization. It showcased innovative financing models, such as public-private partnerships and land value capture, as essential tools

Special session “The heartbeat of the city”.

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for achieving equitable and resilient urban growth. Panellists highlighted the importance of tailoring financial mechanisms to local needs, enhancing creditworthiness and integrating local investments with global standards. By emphasizing localization, the session underscored how these frameworks can address community-specific priorities while advancing Egypt's vision for sustainable and inclusive urban development.

G7 economies shaping urban futures

The G7 session at WUF12 was a landmark gathering, bringing together G7 senior officials, urban development ministries from other countries, city officials and urban development experts in a single space to advance the global sustainable urbanization agenda.

Special session “Empathy in motion”.

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Special session “The heartbeat of the city”.

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This session provided a unique platform for G7 members of the sustainable urban development track, recognized as leaders in sustainable urbanization, to engage in dialogue and exchange with the broader international community.

It also served to disseminate the outcomes of the G7 Urban Development Ministerial Communiqué — a joint declaration by G7 ministers responsible for urban development, outlining shared commitments to promote sustainable, inclusive and climate-resilient cities — on a global scale. The document aims to guide national and local policies, fosters international collaboration and underscores the importance of multilevel governance in addressing urban challenges.



The session underscored multilevel governance as essential for SDG localization, emphasizing the importance of fostering green and inclusive cities, leveraging digital tools for smarter governance and addressing global challenges through locally tailored solutions. A high-level panel discussion featured G7 representatives, alongside representatives from Brazil, India, South Africa and Egypt) as well as city leaders, exploring the transformative potential of integrated initiatives that address environmental, social and digital challenges.

This pivotal session laid the groundwork for deeper political commitments and collaborative actions toward sustainable, resilient and inclusive urban development, strengthening partnerships and fostering innovative solutions for cities worldwide.

The legacy of mega events

For the first time, this Special session brought together organizers of some of the world's most important mega events alongside cities that have hosted or will host such events. Co-curated by the International Olympic Committee, Expo City Dubai and the city of Riyadh, in collaboration with the city of Paris, Brisbane City Council, the city of Los Angeles, the city of Katowice and the city of Cairo, the session explored how host cities can create enduring positive impacts through these events.

Mega events were presented as powerful catalysts for long-term urban transformation, with discussions

highlighting their potential to spark lasting positive change when thoughtfully planned. Large-scale events and conferences can leave a legacy far beyond the final applause, benefiting not only visitors but also the local communities and livelihoods that make these events possible.

Case studies like the eleventh session of the World Urban Forum (WUF11) in Katowice, which prioritized accessibility and achievements from recent Olympic Games and International Expos, were used to illustrate successful approaches. Emphasis was placed on adopting localized strategies that embed community voices into planning, implement environmentally responsible practices such as circular economy principles and ensure the benefits of these investments extend to local communities. By focusing on leveraging mega events to enhance housing, embed sustainability in infrastructure and create inclusive public spaces, the session

underscored that mega events, when aligned with sustainability and inclusivity, can serve as transformative opportunities for cities worldwide.

The wisdom of civilizations

This session explored how historical resilience and cultural heritage can inform sustainable urban governance today. Co-curated with the Grand Egyptian Museum, the world's largest archaeological museum, the session featured interventions by renowned academics, experts, the Mayor of Tokyo and Egypt's Minister of Planning, Economic Development and International Cooperation, offering a rich exchange of ideas and experiences.

Panel discussion at special session.

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Discussions emphasized the value of historical urban models in addressing contemporary challenges such as climate change, the integration of cultural heritage into urban planning to foster social cohesion and the importance of leveraging shared lessons to tackle interconnected urban issues. Localization was underscored as essential for adapting these historical insights to the specific socio-economic and cultural contexts of modern cities, ensuring sustainable growth while preserving local identity.

By drawing on global expertise and historical knowledge, this session highlighted the transformative potential of heritage-informed urban planning to create resilient, inclusive and culturally vibrant cities.

Empathy in motion

This session redefined urban mobility, framing it as a fundamental right and a tool to unlock life possibilities rather than merely a means of transportation. Discussions emphasized empathy as a guiding principle in urban planning, advocating for universal design principles, participatory approaches and inclusive mobility systems that cater to people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds. Co-created public spaces that prioritize the needs of diverse users were highlighted as essential for fostering dignity, independence and social inclusion. Case studies demonstrated how community-centric designs enhance safety and enjoyment, while tailored policies address the specific requirements of persons with disabilities, older persons, caregivers and priority groups.

The session also emphasized the life-course approach, recognizing that accessibility and mobility challenges evolve from toddlerhood to old age, and the importance of embedding empathy at every stage of life. Investing



in empathetic cities means going beyond compliance; empathy must be treated as a fundamental tool for urban planning, not an afterthought or a mere necessity. The session also featured contemporary performance art piece involving persons with disabilities, further reinforcing the message of inclusivity. Participants were urged to embed empathy-driven strategies into urban planning, ensuring investments prioritize accessibility and transform urban spaces into catalysts for social and emotional well-being.

A key highlight of the session was a designated experiential space in the Urban Expo, created in partnership with the organization Dialogue in the Dark, where blind guides led visitors through various settings in absolute darkness, enabling them to interact using their other senses and experience what it is like to be blind. This immersive encounter challenged perceptions, created empathy, deepened emotional intelligence and underscored the urgency of designing cities that embrace all individuals. This unique experience was highly attended and positively received, fostering a deeper understanding of the importance of empathy in urban design.

Performance at special session
"Empathy in motion".

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It all starts at home

Moderated by UN-Habitat Executive Director Anacláudia Rossbach, this discussion, which served as the closing event for all of the Special sessions, placed the theme of WUF12 on centre stage. It focused on the global housing crisis, highlighting its intersection with human rights, safety and climate change. Discussions emphasized the role of secure land access and the integration of ecological materials in addressing housing affordability and sustainability. Panellists called for reforms in land policies and financial systems to empower local governments and ensure equitable housing solutions. The session underscored housing as a fundamental right and explored successful models that align institutional practices with community realities, advocating for localized approaches to scale up sustainable solutions.

4.2

Partner-led and other events



Caucus Meetings



Networking Events



One UN



SDGs in Action



Training Events



UN-Habitat Arena



Urban Cinema



Urban Expo



Urban Library



Voices from Cities

Partner-led events by region

	Global	Africa	Americas	Asia	Europe	Oceania	Total
Networking events	38	32	34	33	72	2	211
One UN	34	0	0	0	1	0	35
SDGs in action	20	4	15	6	21	0	66
Training events	16	9	12	6	25	0	68
Urban cinema	4	7	5	1	11	0	28
Urban library	7	6	8	11	16	0	48
Voices from cities	20	27	16	14	26	1	104
Total	139	85	90	71	172	3	560

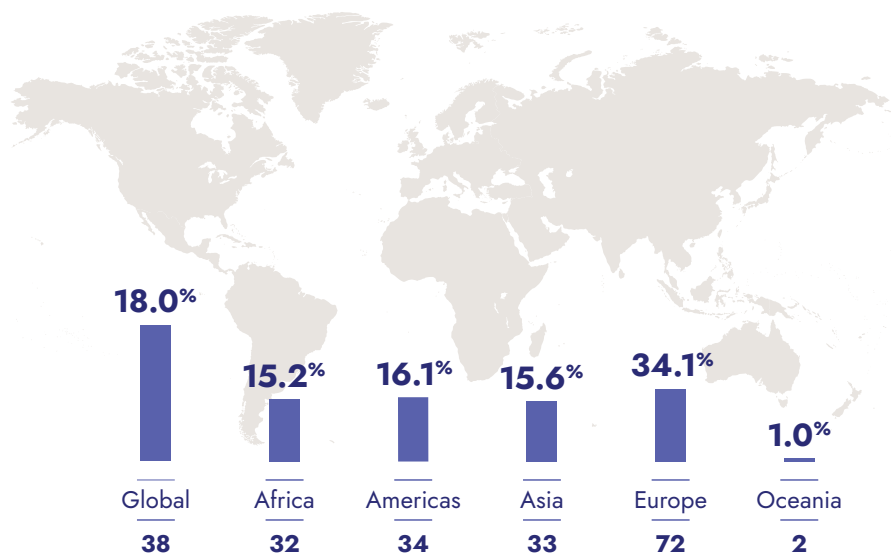




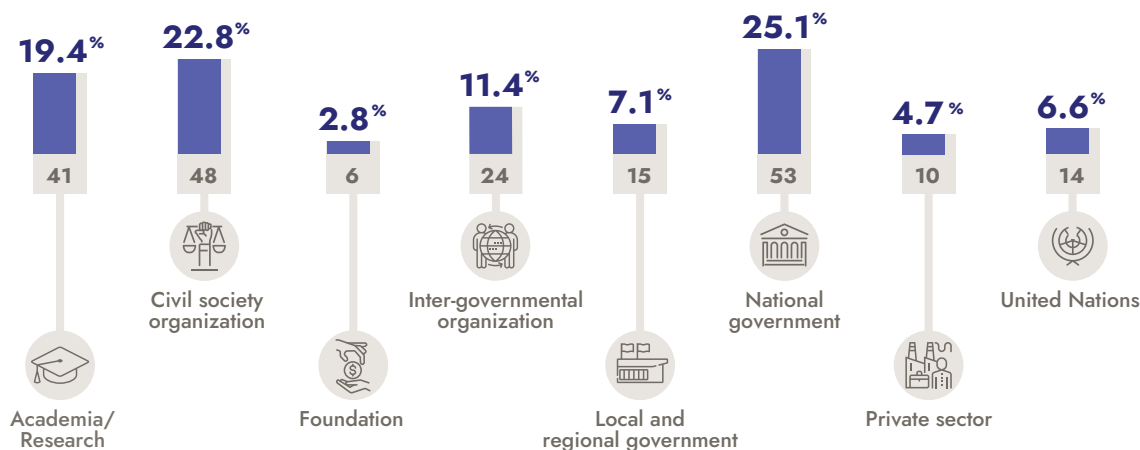
Networking events by region

Networking events

A cornerstone of WUF, Networking events facilitated global connections among stakeholders, fostering partnerships, sharing innovative approaches and building relationships that support the localization of the SDGs and the implementation of the NUA.



Networking events by partner type





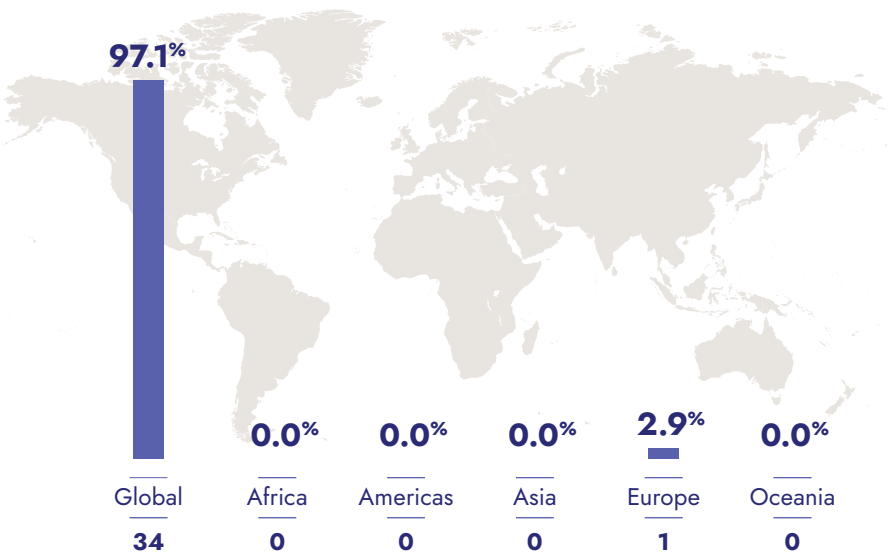
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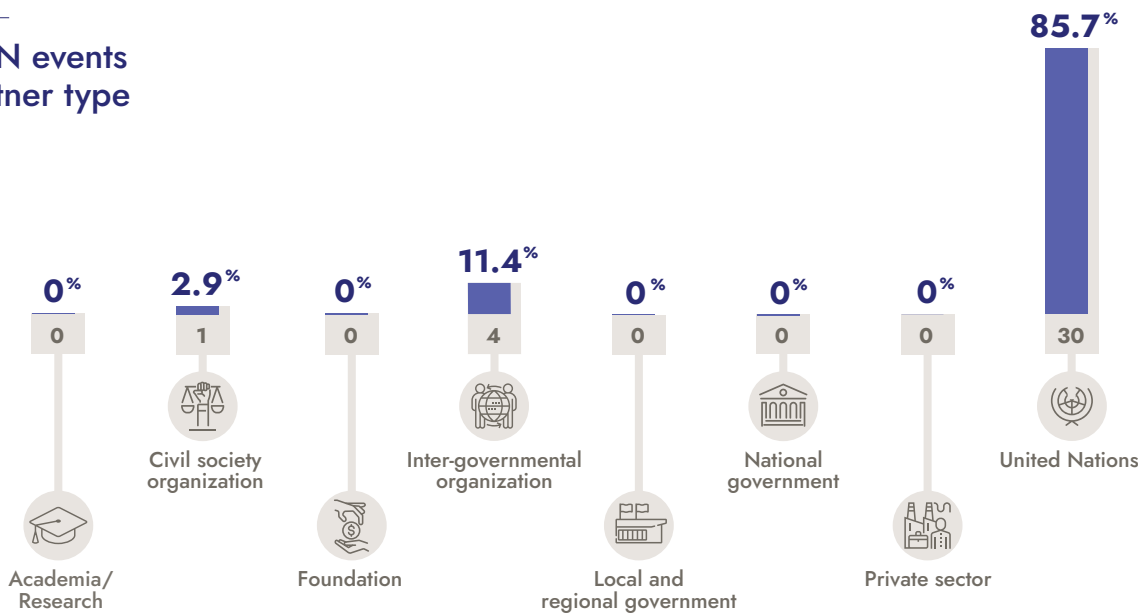
One UN events
by region

One UN
events

United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies form a vital constituency for WUF. One UN events aimed to showcase how the New Urban Agenda integrates with the global efforts of the UN system to advance the SDGs, highlighting synergies and fostering collaborative approaches across sectors and regions.



One UN events
by partner type





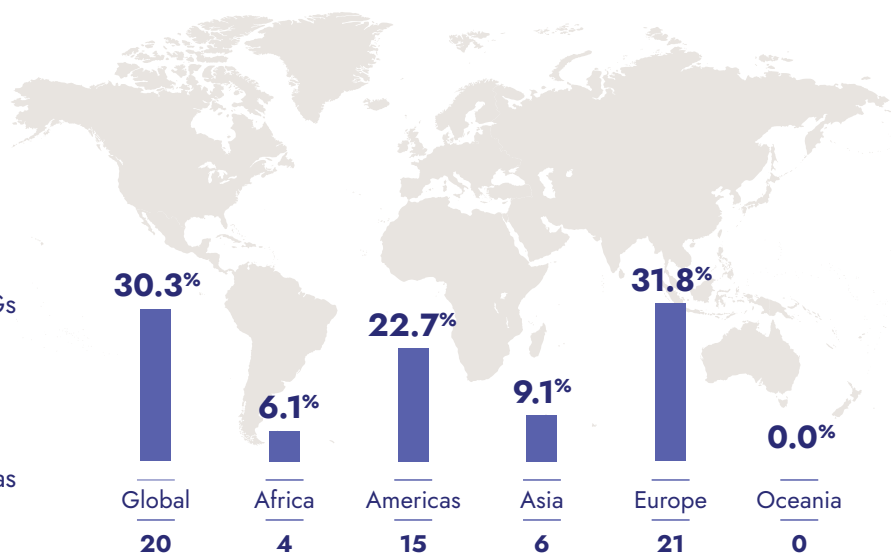
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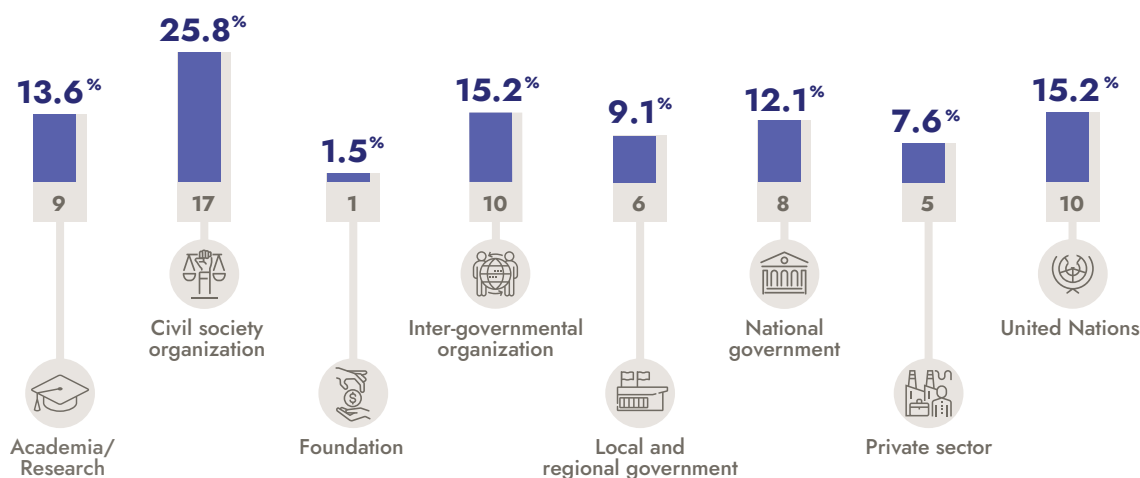
SDGs in action events by region

SDGs in action events

Focused on the localization of the SDGs, these events bridged the gap between global frameworks and local realities. SDGs in action sessions emphasized aligning sustainable urbanization with the SDGs through multi-level collaboration across five domains: culture, economy, society, environment and governance. The goal was to translate these efforts into actionable, shareable and scalable solutions.



SDGs in action events by partner type





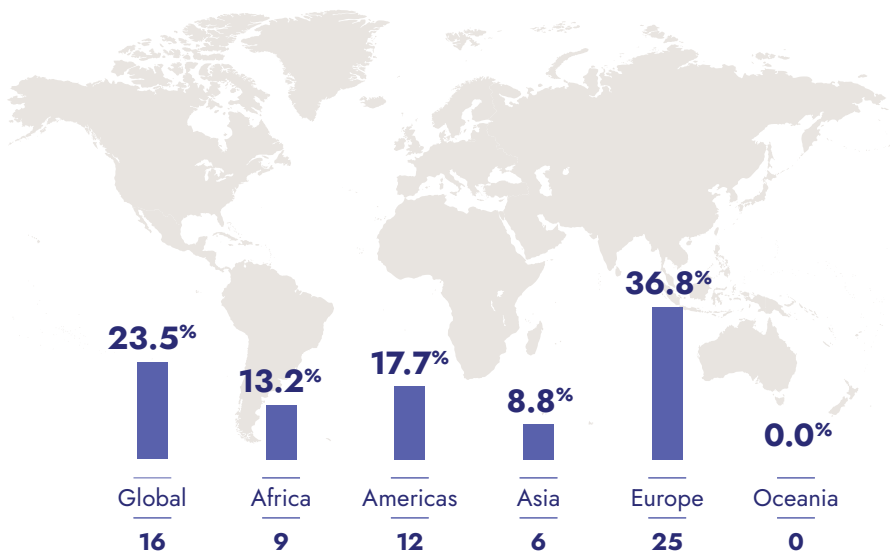
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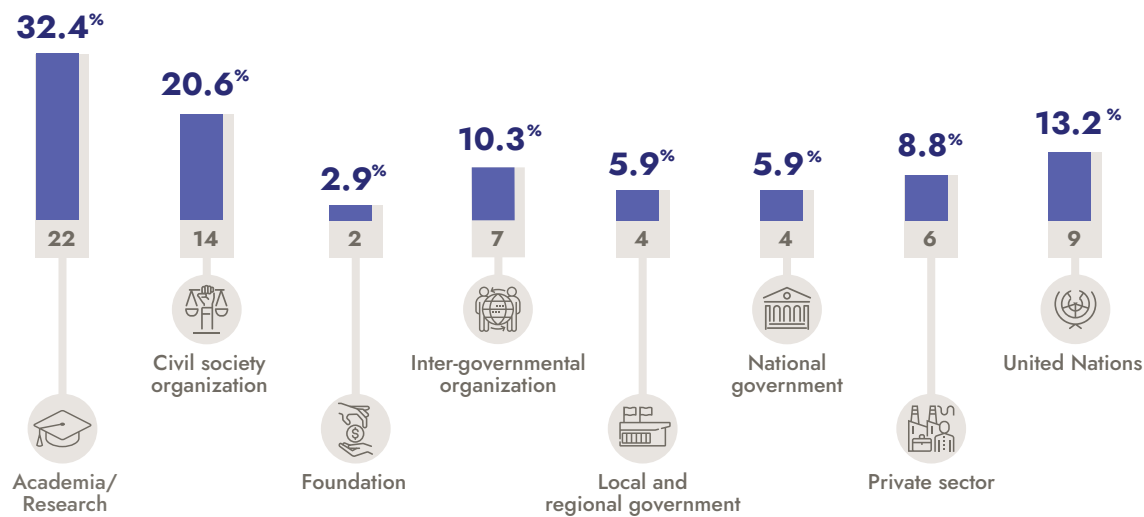
Training events
by region

Training events

Training events provided hands-on sessions for urban practitioners, experts, academics and policymakers. These dynamic and interactive trainings delivered practical skills, tools and methods to accelerate sustainable urbanization at all levels.



Training events
by partner type





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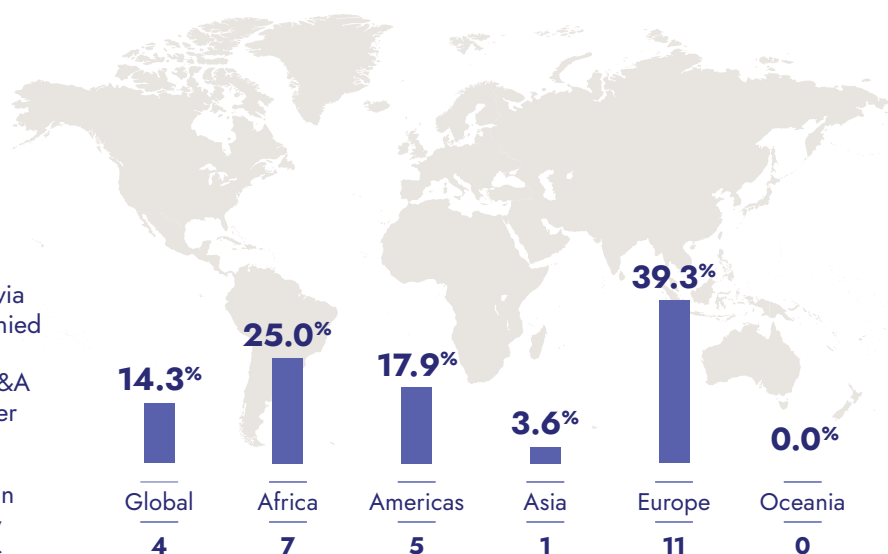


Urban cinema events by region

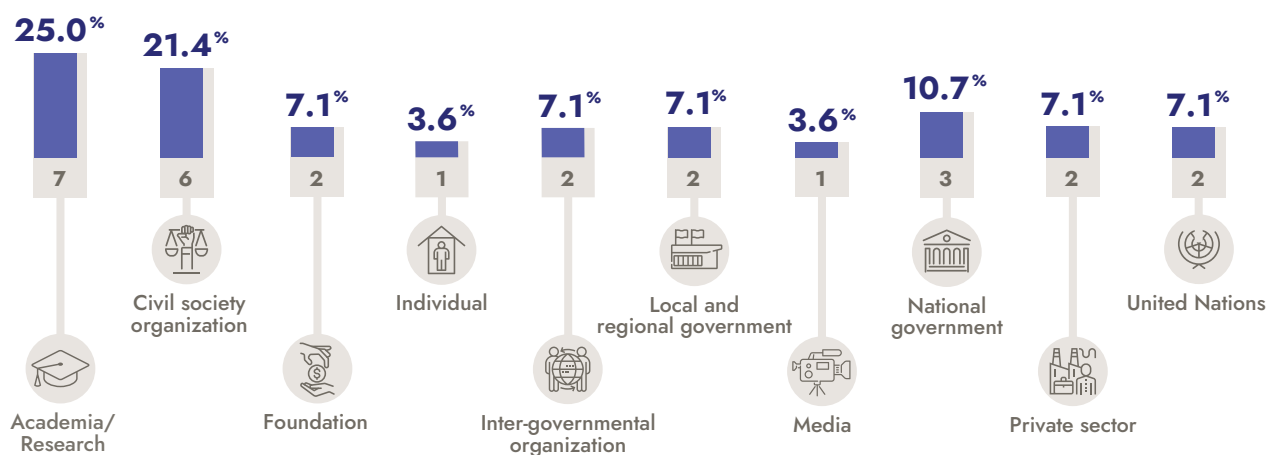
Urban cinema events

The Urban cinema brought the cultural dimensions of urbanization to life through a curated selection of 28 short films, chosen via an open call. Each screening was accompanied by an introduction from producers or actors and concluded with panel discussions or Q&A sessions, allowing audiences to delve deeper into the issues raised.

For the first time in WUF's history, the design of both the Urban cinema and Urban library was conceived by local exhibition designers who featured vernacular, low-cost and low CO₂e materials and construction techniques. These innovative spaces integrated practical applications of sustainable design into the construction of WUF spaces.



Urban cinema events by partner type





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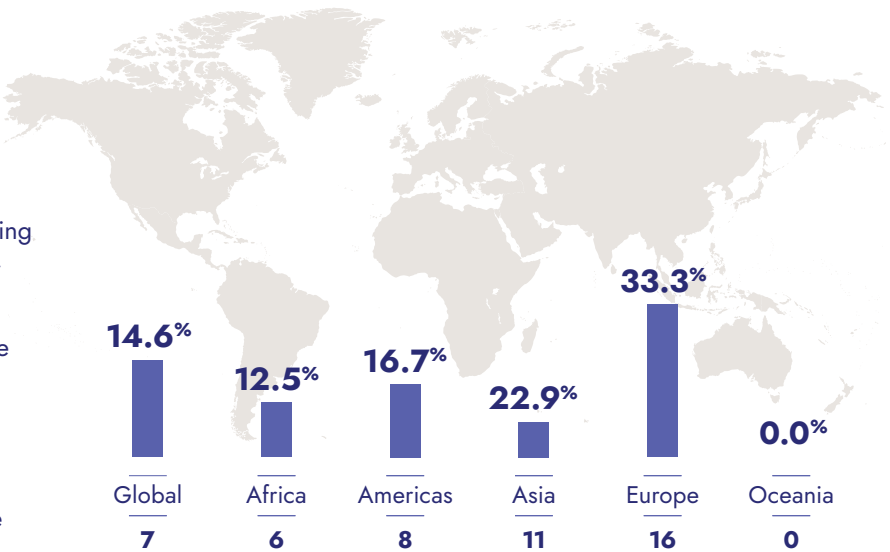


Urban library events
by region

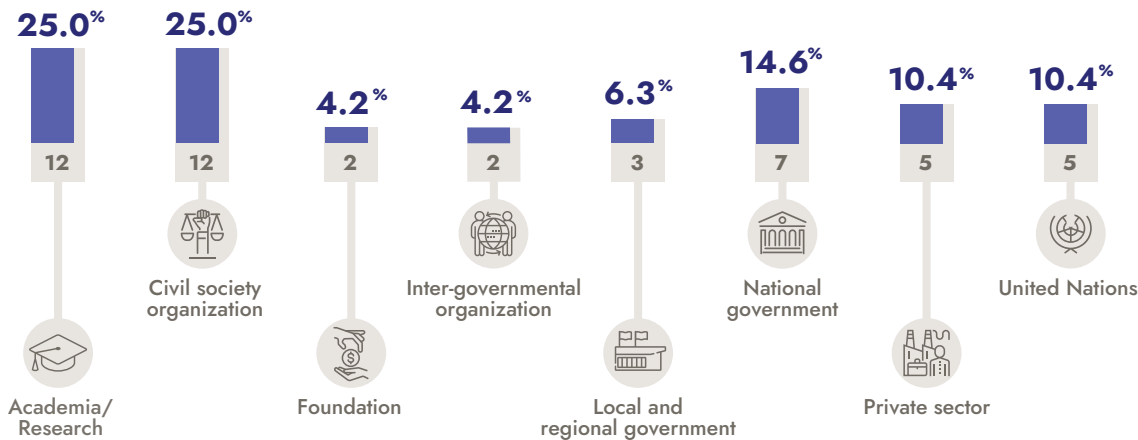
Urban library
events

The Urban library served as a hub for launching knowledge products, including publications, books and research reports. A total of 47 events were held in this space, offering a platform to present research findings, explore implementation processes, and showcase engagements with communities that have led to tangible outcomes and new funding opportunities.

The space also fostered debate and dialogue that drive sustainable urban development and inform international policy frameworks. At WUF12, the Stakeholder Advisory Group Enterprise used the Urban library to facilitate innovative and effective approaches to stakeholder engagement.



Urban library events
by partner type





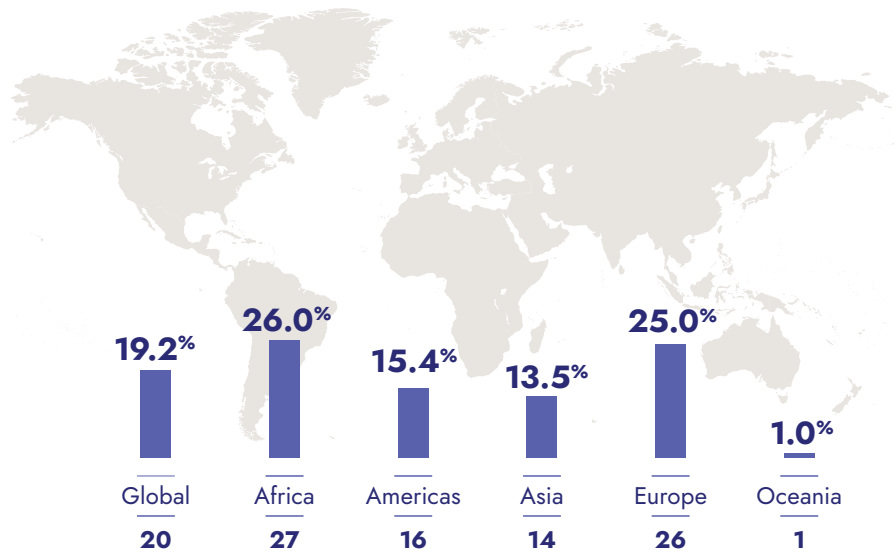
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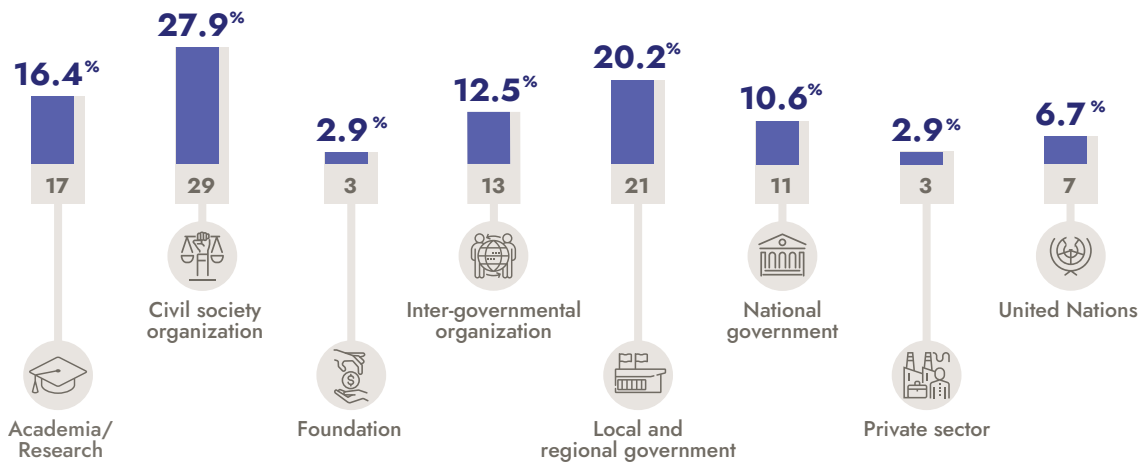
Voices from cities events
by partner type

Voices from
cities events

At the heart of sustainable urbanization are the voices of city leaders and local stakeholders who bring first-hand experience to global discussions. Voices from cities events highlighted urban challenges and solutions, fostering city-to-city collaboration and placing communities at the forefront of transformative urban strategies.



Voices from cities events
by partner type





Urban Expo

A highlight of WUF12, the Urban Expo featured 136 exhibitors showcasing solutions to urban challenges. From innovative technologies to sustainable materials and systems, exhibitors used the Expo to present ideas, gather feedback and highlight needs while inspiring urban transformation.

The overall layout of the Expo was inspired by Cairo, where buildings act as funnels, directing activity toward dynamic public spaces.

Pavilions and booths were arranged to emulate this flow, while a unified aesthetic—through materials, colour palettes, and spatial design—created a consistent look and feel throughout the halls. Integrated thematic areas, such as the UN-Habitat Arena, Urban library, and Urban cinema, were intentionally placed to function as circulation anchors—mirroring the role of public spaces in cities and drawing foot traffic throughout the exhibition.

The Host Country promoted inclusivity by sponsoring spaces for civil society, youth, academic institutions, and persons with disabilities, while sustainability was reflected in the use of pre-fabricated and reusable materials, aligned with circular design principles.

Urban Expo metrics

No. of exhibitors:

136

Countries:

47

Net space size:

8,807.5 sqm

Partner types

Academia:
54

Private sector:
23

National government:
20

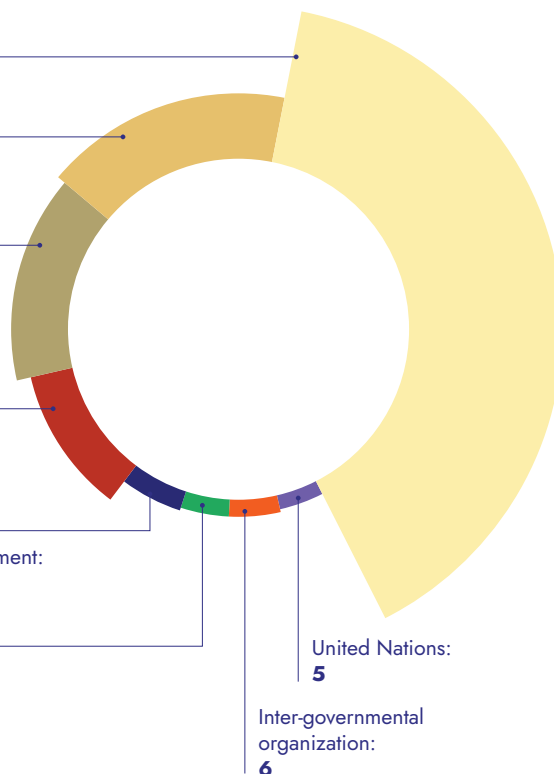
Civil society organization:
15

Local and regional government:
7

Foundation:
6

United Nations:
5

Inter-governmental organization:
6



CHAPTER 5

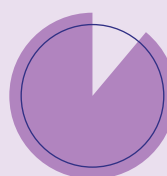
Participant engagement and feedback

Pre-WUF survey

The pre-WUF survey, conducted from 28 October to 4 November 2024, gathered responses from 3,335 participants. It provided insights into participants' interests, familiarity with the Forum's theme, and expectations. Notably, 89 per cent of respondents were first-time attendees, and 59 per cent reported being familiar or very familiar with the concept of localization.

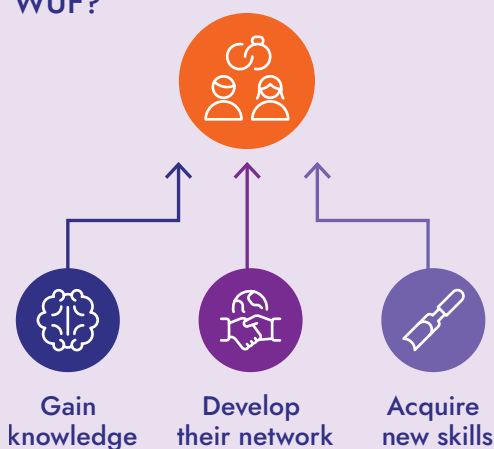


3,335
responses



89%
of respondents
were **newcomers**
to WUF12

Why do participants come to WUF?



Key topics of interest in the Dialogues



Key Concepts of Localization



Familiarity with Localization Concept



59%
Familiar or
Very Familiar

59 per cent of respondents were familiar or very familiar with the **concept of localization** and its role in **sustainable urbanization**

Post-WUF survey

The post-WUF survey captured key takeaways and participant feedback following the event. Of the 924 responses received, 94 per cent indicated they were likely or very likely to attend a future World Urban Forum. Importantly, 75 per cent of respondents stated that their understanding of localization had shifted after the Forum—underscoring WUF12's role in shaping perspectives on sustainable urban development.

Survey response



924
Responses

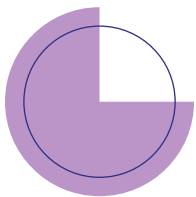
Satisfaction levels at WUF12



93%

93 per cent of respondents were **very satisfied** or **satisfied** with WUF12

Change in perspective on localization after WUF12



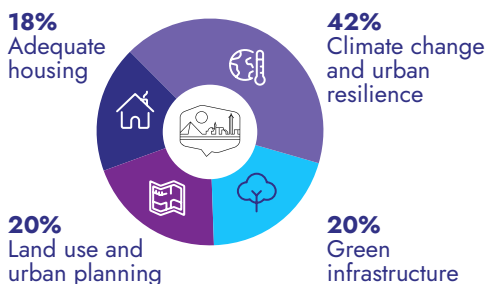
75%
Changed perspective

75 per cent of respondents declared that their **perspective on localization has changed** after attending WUF12

Ideas and actions to make localization a reality



Key priorities for future WUFs



Respondents highlighted that their new perspectives on localization inspire a greater integration of community-driven initiatives, an acceleration of the localization of SDGs, the expansion of solutions tailored to local contexts and a need for more collaboration and knowledge sharing across the globe.

Likelihood of respondents attending future WUFs



94%

94 per cent of respondents are **likely** or **very likely** to come to WUF again

CHAPTER 6

WUF legacy





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Al-Asmarat public space development in Cairo, Egypt.

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6.1

Al-Asmarat public space development

As part of Cairo Urban Week and a legacy from the World Urban Forum to Cairo, an initiative was launched to increase access to public open spaces in Egypt. A cornerstone of this initiative was a pilot intervention in the Al-Asmarat neighbourhood, benefiting 15,000 low-income families (approximately 90,000 people) relocated from unsafe areas.

This collaborative project, led by UN-Habitat, the Government of Egypt and local partners, transformed an underutilized area into a vibrant and inclusive public space designed to serve women, children and the elderly. The initiative aimed to foster social cohesion, economic opportunities and community engagement, leaving a lasting impact on the residents of Al-Asmarat.





Children attending an event at the newly unveiled Al-Asmarat public space.

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Intended impacts

- **Community and economic development:** Promote local economic growth by creating opportunities for economic activities, fostering community cohesion and enhancing the daily lives of residents and visitors through walkable and inclusive outdoor spaces.
- **Health, safety and inclusion:** Enable safe and accessible communal spaces for all, especially women, children and vulnerable groups, to encourage outdoor activities, improve health and well-being, as well as integrate marginalized individuals into civic life.
- **Environmental sustainability:** Enhance microclimate conditions through increased shading and vegetation, reduce water and energy consumption, mitigate localized flooding risks, and utilize sustainable materials to optimize resource use and minimize environmental impact.
- **Community engagement and education:** Actively involve local residents and stakeholders in the design, implementation and operation of public spaces through participatory planning while raising awareness among children about public space stewardship via creative workshops.
- **Public space enhancements:** Provide comfortable environments for relaxation and social connection, ensure sustainable lighting to minimize light pollution and manage rainwater effectively to protect against watercourse pollution.
- **Sustainable operations:** Establish a robust operation and management framework to ensure project longevity and scalability for similar communities nationwide.

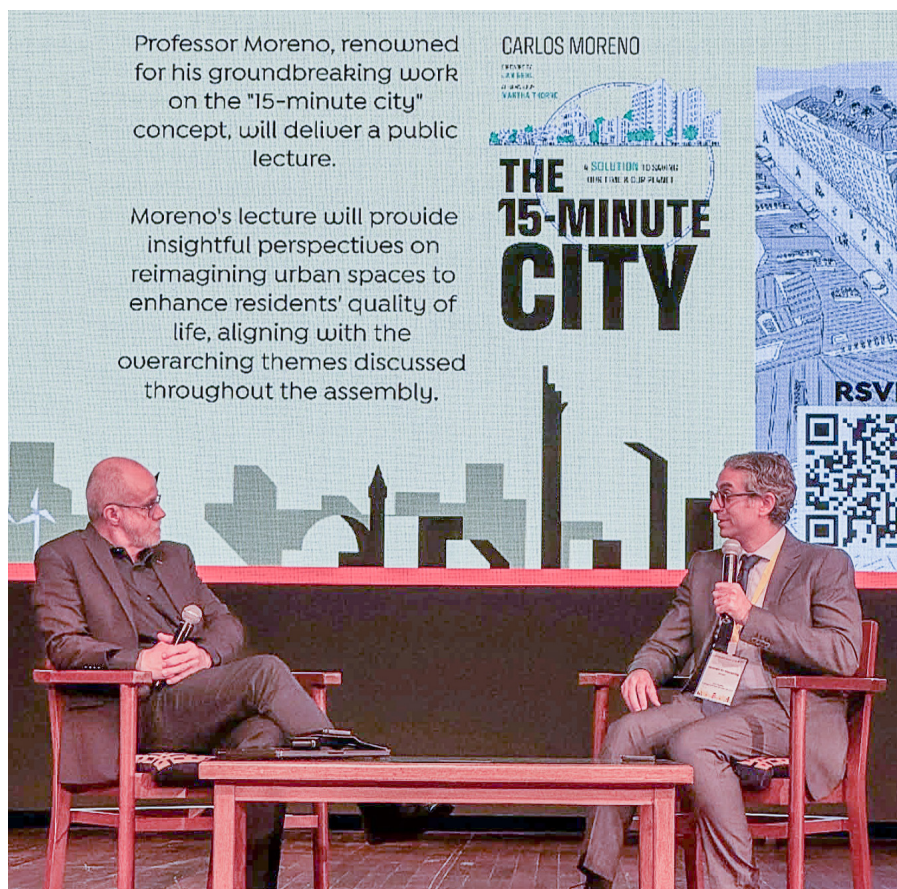
6.2

Egypt Urban Campaign

In the lead-up to WUF12, the Egypt Urban Campaign (EUC) was launched to mobilize UN-Habitat partners and citizens in Egypt around sustainable urbanization. Designed as a nationwide platform for dialogue, collaboration and action, the campaign aimed to:

- Engage local stakeholders in ensuring WUF12 was a meaningful event with lasting national impact.
- Foster knowledge exchange on issues and successful solutions related to urban sustainability and local action.
- Identify and amplify thought leaders to contribute to WUF12 sessions and advocacy efforts.





Professor Moreno, renowned for his groundbreaking work on the "15-minute city" concept, will deliver a public lecture.

Moreno's lecture will provide insightful perspectives on reimagining urban spaces to enhance residents' quality of life, aligning with the overarching themes discussed throughout the assembly.

A partner event under the Egypt Urban Campaign.

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The campaign centred on six thematic pillars — people, heritage, resilience, inclusion, well-being and housing — guiding diverse activities across Egypt. Non-governmental organizations, businesses, philanthropic entities and academic institutions were invited to participate by organizing events, exhibitions, workshops and cultural initiatives linked to these themes.

From January 2024 to November 2024 WUF12, EUC mobilized 33 partner organizations and 49 supporting sub-partners, resulting in 77 activities with approximately 5,000 participants. These initiatives ranged from academic exhibitions and research discussions to community-driven urban interventions and cultural heritage tours.

For example, Nile University hosted a series of events focused on sustainable urban design and people-centred smart cities, including an exhibition showcasing adaptable and affordable urban solutions. Cairo University launched a poster competition engaging students from nine universities on urban sustainability challenges, while the American University in Cairo (AUC) organized a cycling heritage tour and expert panels on urban renewal and sustainable mobility. These initiatives reflected Egypt's diverse urban landscape, fostering conversations on how to balance heritage preservation, innovation and inclusive development.

During WUF12, EUC partners played an active role in shaping discussions through public talks, dedicated sessions and a World Urban Campaign Assembly.

Beyond WUF12, the Egypt Urban Campaign is envisioned as a lasting platform for continued engagement, transforming global goals into local actions. It aims to:

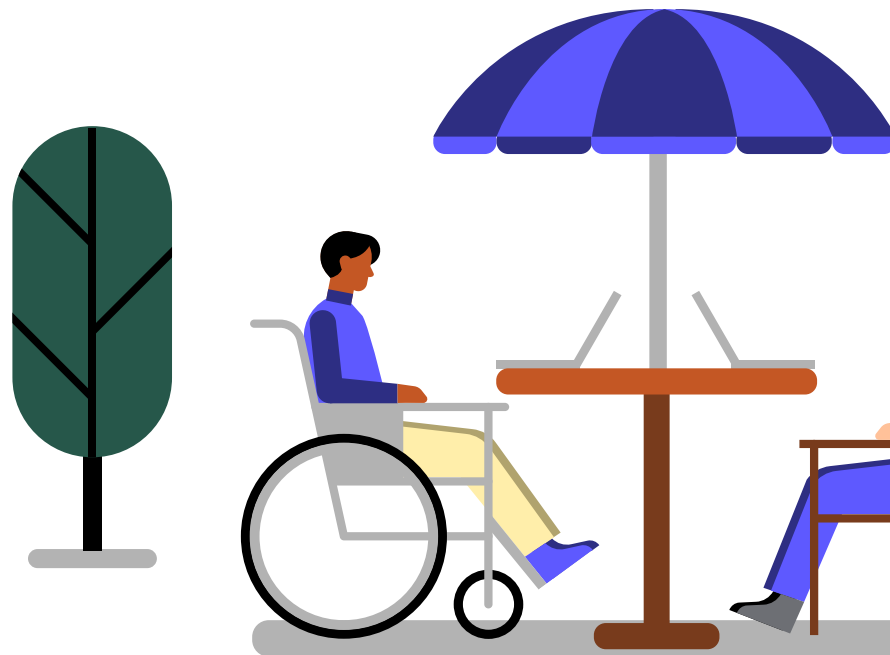
- Strengthen collaboration among key urban stakeholders to address Egypt's most pressing urban challenges.
- Drive practical, innovative solutions for sustainable urban planning and policy development.
- Raise awareness and advocate for long-term urban transformation at the national level.

By building on the momentum of WUF12, EUC will continue to serve as a catalyst for change, fostering inclusive, cross-sector partnerships to advance Egypt's urban future.

6.3

Cairo Urban Week

Spanning from 27 October to 3 November 2024, Cairo Urban Week (CUW) served as a vibrant prelude to WUF12. Around 1,900 local and international participants engaged in workshops, tours and cultural exhibitions, reflecting strong enthusiasm for urban development initiatives. City and urban tours offered attendees a glimpse of Cairo's cultural and historical richness, highlighting iconic touristic areas and recent urban development projects. Additionally, public spaces were activated as tangible legacies of WUF12, providing inclusive and vibrant areas for local communities.





Cairo Urban Week held at Grand Egyptian Museum in Cairo, Egypt.

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This milestone initiative not only celebrated sustainable urbanization but also created significant returns on investment for the host country. In addition to enhancing the WUF12 venue, CUW showcased Egypt's capacity for hosting world-class events, emphasized its commitment to sustainable development and positioned Cairo as an attractive destination for international investments by showcasing local innovations that tackle urban challenges.

CUW also fostered cross-sector collaboration, strengthening ties between UN-Habitat Egypt and the Government of Egypt, and opening new doors for future partnerships. By engaging communities, experts and policymakers, the initiative created a dynamic platform for dialogue on sustainable urbanization and Cairo's urban future. It also brought together a diverse range of partners from governmental entities, cultural institutions, local businesses and international organizations. This first-of-its-kind initiative blended tradition and innovation, positioning Cairo as a global

hub for forward-thinking urban solutions and sustainability.

Cairo Urban Week achieved the following objectives:

1. Engaged communities, experts and policymakers in a dialogue about shaping Cairo's urban future.
2. Highlighted Cairo's cultural and historical richness.
3. Activated public spaces as legacies of WUF12.
4. Showcased local innovations addressing urban challenges.

Numerous partnerships were instrumental in shaping the vibrant activities and legacy projects of CUW, underscoring the collective commitment necessary for sustainable urban development and cultural preservation.



Key institutional and government partners:

1. The Grand Egyptian Museum: Hosted the opening event and a special exhibition that enhanced Cairo's global cultural profile, attracting hundreds of visitors and strengthening the city's tourism potential.
2. The National Museum of Egyptian Civilization: Hosted the inaugural event and emphasized the intersection of sustainability and cultural heritage through engaging dialogues and private tours.
3. Cairo Governorate: Served as a crucial governmental partner, supporting public space activations and urban development initiatives, particularly the Al-Asmarat legacy project.
4. UN-Habitat: Played a key role in facilitating partnerships, engaging communities and delivering sustainable urban solutions.

Cultural performance at Founders Space.

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Cultural and creative partners:

1. World Art Forum for Development Foundation: Partnered for the inaugural event, showcasing art's role in sustainable development.
2. Zawya Cinema and Cairo Biography: Curated and hosted the Cairo Films screenings, spotlighting the city's cultural narratives through locally produced films.
3. Gehl Architects: Facilitated activation workshops focusing on "People-First" urban design, empowering participants with actionable insights.
4. Founders Spaces: Hosted activation events, fostering critical discussions and creative engagement around public spaces.

Activation and community engagement partners:

1. Ery Nile, Tazgah, Noon by Fagnoon, Darwisha Studio and Caricature by Hani: Contributed to public space activations with engaging, community-centred activities.
2. Doodle Factory: Led children's art workshops, emphasizing inclusive design and creative solutions for urban challenges.
3. Qahraweya: Curated Cairo Walks, guiding participants through historical neighbourhoods and enhancing tourism in lesser-known areas.
4. Doors of Cairo and Cairo Narratives Contributors: Showcased local creativity and sustainable practices, boosting community engagement and economic opportunities.

Performers and cultural advocates:

1. Nouran Abu Taleb and Nesma Herky: Delivered captivating performances, celebrating Cairo's rich cultural heritage and creating a vibrant atmosphere.
2. UNHCR and Van Leer Foundation: Supported movie screenings and storytelling that highlighted urban resilience and human experiences.

Legacy initiative partners:

1. Al-Asmarat Project Stakeholders: Collaborated to inaugurate a revitalized public space in a low-income neighbourhood, symbolizing WUF12's commitment to social inclusion and sustainable urban transformation.

These partnerships collectively amplified Cairo Urban Week's impact, fostering cultural appreciation, enhancing community engagement and leaving a lasting urban legacy. By aligning local efforts with global expertise, CUW successfully positioned Cairo as a hub for innovation, collaboration and sustainable urban development.

Outcomes and legacy

Enhanced partnerships

- Collaborated with 32 partners, including museums, local businesses and NGOs.
- Facilitated networking among 300 stakeholders, creating avenues for future urban projects.

Sustainability and innovation

- Workshops emphasized sustainable urban design, using recycled materials for community projects in Al-Asmarat.

- Legacy initiatives like the Al-Asmarat public space showcased eco-friendly urban furniture.

Economic and cultural impact

- Boosted visibility for 12 small businesses through exhibitions and networking.
- Promoted local tourism and creative industries via heritage tours and film screenings.

Community engagement

- Activities prioritized inclusivity, especially in marginalized communities, fostering long-term social cohesion.

A guided tour under Cairo Urban Week at the National Museum of Egyptian Civilization.

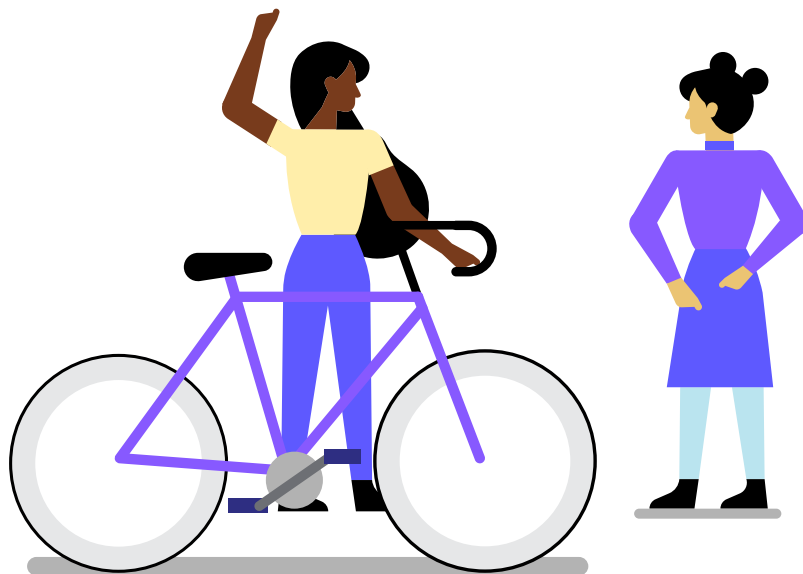
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6.4

Cairo city events

In addition to CUW, the Cairo Governorate and the Egyptian Ministry of Housing, Utilities and Urban Communities organized Cairo city visits and WUF12 urban tours, respectively. Held during WUF12, these events offered immersive opportunities for attendees to experience the host city beyond the Forum venue, blending cultural exploration with insights into Egypt's urban transformation.





Cairo city walk in Egypt.

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City event visits included: **Fustat Pottery Village & Traditional Crafts Centre; Al-Moez Street & Khan El-Khalili Market; Traditional Evening at Al-Azhar Park; Citadel Festival at Salah El-Din Citadel; New Administrative Capital; Historic and downtown Cairo; and New Alamein City. .**

6.5

WUF Alumni Network

To celebrate WUF's history and support its ability to have a lasting impact, UN-Habitat launched the WUF Alumni Network at WUF10 in Abu Dhabi. The Network unites all previous host cities in a collaborative framework for cross-learning and the sharing of best practices. Members include twelve former hosts spanning six continents: Nairobi (2002), Barcelona (2004), Vancouver (2006), Nanjing (2008), Rio (2010), Naples (2012) Medellín (2014), Quito (2016) (Habitat III), Kuala Lumpur (2018), Abu Dhabi (2020), Katowice (2022), and Cairo (2024). The network actively promotes the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and supports the localization of the SDGs across member cities.





WUF Alumni Network session
held at the UN-Habitat Arena.
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Since its creation, the WUF Alumni Network has organized multiple working sessions. This includes the contribution of valuable insights and support for the preparation and execution of WUF12. During WUF12, the WUF Alumni Network had the opportunity to meet with the host of WUF13 – the Republic of Azerbaijan – in a working session to discuss the organizational and legacy aspect of hosting the World Urban Forum.

The WUF Alumni Network also contributed to a panel discussion at UN-Habitat Arena titled “Reflecting on Over Two Decades of the World Urban Forum: Legacy, Impacts, and

Future Accelerations.” The session was introduced by Professor Anna Tibaijuka, former Executive Director of UN-Habitat, who provided a comprehensive overview of the Forum’s origins, its purpose and its transformative impact on global urban development. Representatives from previous host cities Nanjing, Quito, Kuala Lumpur and Cairo highlighted how hosting WUF has boosted urban agendas and initiatives in their cities and countries. Members of the WUF Alumni Network underscored how hosting WUF increased the political will for urban initiatives and the implementation of the New Urban Agenda in former host cities and countries.

CHAPTER 7

Communication and media impact

WUF12 implemented a robust communication campaign that helped drive registration and maximize the Forum's impact. This campaign, which included media outreach, social media promotion and targeted advocacy efforts, delivered remarkable results.



Anacláudia Rossbach

Deputy Secretary-General and Executive Director, UN-Habitat



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Media outreach

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Digital and social media campaign

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Launching of World Cities Report 2024.

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Media outreach

A record-breaking 905 media representatives from 36 countries registered for WUF12, with over 500 attending in person. During the Forum week, more than 285 news items were published, generating over 120 million impressions across 50 countries.

Europe led in media coverage, accounting for 32 per cent of the discussions, followed by the Americas at 28 per cent and Asia-Pacific at 25 per cent. Despite hosting WUF12, Africa contributed only 15 per cent of the media coverage.





International and local media capturing the opening of the Urban Expo.

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Coverage by top-tier publications such as AP News, USA Today, Bloomberg, Reuters and Forbes amplified WUF12's credibility and reach. These outlets drew attention to critical urban issues, including sustainability, climate action and housing solutions, broadening the Forum's impact.

Region	Coverage (%)	Key countries	Key outlets
Europe	32	UK, Germany, France	UK Post Observer, France Political Times
Americas	28	USA, Canada, Brazil	AP News, Benzinga
Asia-Pacific	25	India, Malaysia, China	India Environmental Press, Malaysia Technology Journal
Africa	15	Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa	Kenya Environmental Journal, Nigeria Governance Journal

Keywords associated with WUF12 resonated strongly across news and online platforms. "World Urban Forum" emerged as the most popular keyword, with over 12,400 mentions and an engagement rate of 6.8 per cent, reaching 45.6 million impressions. Other popular keywords – "sustainable cities," "climate action," "affordable housing" and "urban development" – garnered millions of mentions and impressions, reflecting significant audience interest in the Forum's core themes.

Keyword	Mentions	Engagement rate (%)	Impressions (Millions)
World Urban Forum	12,400	6.8	45.6
Sustainable Cities	9,200	5.9	38.2
Climate Action	8,700	6.1	36.5
Affordable Housing	8,100	5.7	34.7
Urban Development	7,800	5.5	32.8

WUF12 press releases averaged an impressive 8 per cent engagement rate, underscoring strong audience interest.

Prominent speakers, such as Carlos Moreno, an urban expert, and Marie-Josée Houle, Canada’s housing advocate, contributed opinion pieces on key topics including urbanization in Africa, affordable housing and youth empowerment. These articles, published in outlets like Benzinga, Yahoo News and AP News, reached over 15 million readers.

The Forum also garnered international media attention for its high-level participation, with speakers such as Deputy Executive Director of the UN Environment Programme Elizabeth Maruma Mrema, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Adequate Housing Balakrishnan Rajagopal, Governor of Tokyo Yuriko Koike, Mayor of Freetown Yvonne Aki Sawyerr, Former Mayor of Bogotá Claudia Lopez, and CEO of Habitat for Humanity Jonathan Reckford, among others, contributing to key discussions on sustainable urban development.

A number of prominent media personalities and anchors were engaged as moderators for the sessions. These included: Ali Aslan, international presenter and former broadcast journalist with CNN, ABC, Channel News Asia and host of the political show *Quadriga* on Deutsche Welle TV; Eleni Giokos, a CNN anchor and correspondent across the network’s news and business programming, including the feature shows, *Connecting Africa* and *Marketplace Middle East*; Eliza Anyangwe, editor of the award-winning global gender inequality project *As Equals* on CNN; Laban-Cliff Onserio, a passionate business journalist from Kenya with a mission to

research, compile and present in-depth business news; Errol Barnett, an anchor, correspondent, editor and a host show with CBS.

During WUF12, daily press stakeouts provided local and international media with opportunities to gain in-depth updates on discussions and key insights from the Forum’s sessions. Leveraging the high media exposure of the Forum, UN-Habitat, the host country and other partners held a total of 15 events in the Press Conference Centre, launching reports, announcing initiatives and signing cooperation agreements.

Participants highlighted their geographical origins at the Urban Expo.

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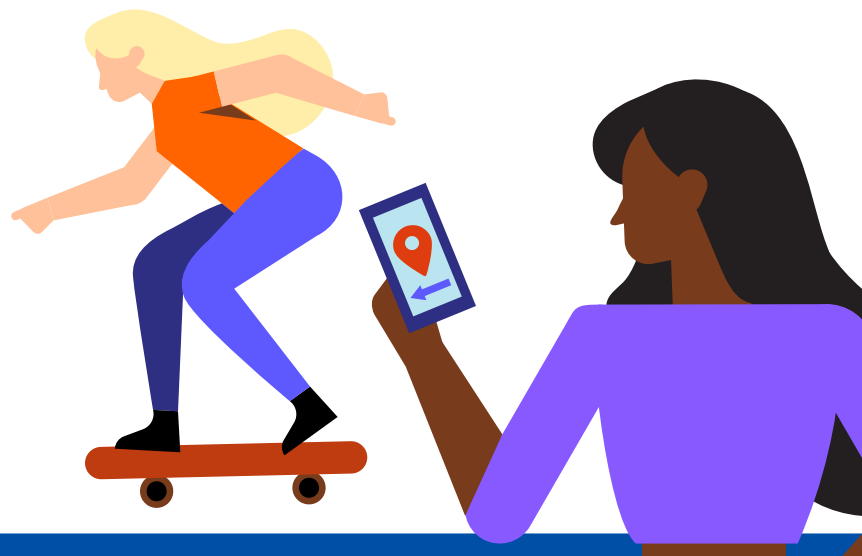




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Digital and social media campaign

WUF12 made a significant investment in digital outreach, launching a campaign across organic and paid social media, supported by partnerships with internal and external stakeholders.









Participants scanned for Wi-Fi to access information via the WUF app.

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The campaign boosted activity and engagement across WUF social media platforms, elevating the Forum's digital visibility. X recorded the highest volume of discussions with 18,400 mentions, while LinkedIn achieved the highest engagement rate of 6.2 per cent, fostering meaningful and in-depth conversations with the audience.

Platform	Total mentions	Impressions (Millions)	Engagement rate (%)
 X	18,400	72.5	5.8
 LinkedIn	8,000	40.0	6.2
 Facebook	10,000	35.0	4.9
 Instagram	7,500	30.0	5.5
News Outlets	285	120.0	6.0

Official WUF social media accounts experienced remarkable growth, with engagement doubling across platforms and tripling on Facebook. In the week of WUF12 alone, content posted on these accounts reached over 137,000 users while followers doubled across all platforms and average engagement tripled. Facebook stood out, achieving nearly a 300 per cent increase in engagement and a 250 per cent rise in followers.



- LinkedIn reached **307,000 users** with **3,600 engagements** and **3,900 new followers**.
- Instagram reached **41,200 users** with **6,700 engagements** and **2,900 new followers**.
- Facebook reached **145,100 users** with **2,300 engagements**.

UN-Habitat's corporate social media accounts benefited from the WUF communication campaign, which kickstarted in August:

- Facebook reached **1.3 million users** and added 3,000 new followers.

- Instagram reached **89,000 users** and added **5,600 new followers**.
- LinkedIn gained **8,600 followers**, with **186,000 engagements**.

These results demonstrate the campaign's effectiveness in expanding global awareness and engaging diverse audiences.

To maximize accessibility, all WUF12 events were livestreamed via UN WebTV and the official WUF app. The livestream sessions drew significant audiences, with more than **91,300 views recorded on UN WebTV** alone. The Opening Ceremony attracted **over 4,900 views**, further amplifying the Forum's reach.

A robust social media campaign shared real-time Forum updates with participants.

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Additionally, a mobile application was developed to enhance participant engagement and improve navigation at the Forum. The WUF App provided essential information, including the official programme, venue map and real-time event updates. It also featured interactive tools, allowing users to build personalized agendas with event reminders, connect and chat with other participants, and livestream sessions. The app's integrated social media function

enabled participants to create and share content directly within the platform.

The app saw strong adoption, with **over 10,500 active users generating 1.7 million interactions**. Through the platform, participants initiated **more than 6,000 conversations**, created **over 1,000 social posts** and **made 5,300 new connections**, reinforcing WUF12 as a space for networking, discussion and collaboration.

Media representatives covered a session on site.

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CHAPTER 8

Looking ahead to WUF13

WUF12 marked a historic milestone as the largest and most inclusive edition of the Forum to date. It brought together over 25,000 participants from 182 countries and hosted an unprecedented numbers of partner-led events. The Forum reaffirmed its role as the premier global platform on sustainable urbanization, facilitating critical discussions and collaborations among governments, civil society, the private sector and local communities.





Mr. Anar Guliyev, Chairman of the State Committee for Urban Planning and Architecture of the Republic of Azerbaijan and host of WUF13, accepted the handover from the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt and UN-Habitat.

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This edition also set a new benchmark for sustainability in global events, integrating a comprehensive sustainability strategy that led to significant reductions in energy consumption, emissions and waste. Additionally, WUF12 strengthened its engagement with the host country through the WUF Legacy initiatives, ensuring long-term benefits for Cairo through Cairo Urban Week and the revitalization of public spaces.

Beyond the immediate impact of the Forum, the insights and commitments captured in the Cairo Call to Action will contribute to UN-Habitat's Strategic Plan 2026–2029 and inform global

discussions at the resumed second session of the United Nations Habitat Assembly in 2025. As we approach 2026, the midpoint of the New Urban Agenda, these outcomes will play a critical role in shaping urban development strategies and driving meaningful action.

Looking ahead, UN-Habitat will continue to engage stakeholders in the lead-up to the thirteenth session of the World Urban Forum (WUF13) in Baku, Azerbaijan, in May 2026. It will focus on disseminating WUF12 outcomes, strengthening multi-level collaboration and advancing the global agenda for sustainable, resilient and inclusive cities.

CHAPTER 9

Annexes



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- Mr. Siraj Sait, Stakeholder Advisory Group Enterprise (SAGE)
- Mr. Bharat Dahiya, UN-Habitat UNI Network
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- Ms. Ana Falu, UN-Habitat Advisory Group on Gender Issues (AGGI)

Participation by country

Afghanistan	Bahrain	Bulgaria
Albania	Bangladesh	Burkina Faso
Algeria	Belarus	Burundi
Andorra	Belgium	Cambodia
Angola	Belize	Cameroon
Antigua and Barbuda	Benin	Canada
Argentina	Bhutan	Cape Verde
Armenia	Bolivia	Central African Republic
Australia	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Chad
Austria	Botswana	Chile
Azerbaijan	Brazil	China
Bahamas	Brunei Darussalam	Colombia

Comoros	Holy See (Observer)	Mongolia
Congo	Honduras	Montenegro
Costa Rica	Hungary	Morocco
Côte d'Ivoire	India	Mozambique
Croatia	Indonesia	Myanmar
Cuba	Iran	Namibia
Cyprus	Iraq	Nepal
Czech Republic	Israel	Netherlands
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Ireland	New Zealand
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Italy	Nicaragua
Denmark	Jamaica	Niger
Djibouti	Japan	Nigeria
Dominica	Jordan	North Macedonia
Dominican Republic	Kazakhstan	Norway
Ecuador	Kenya	Oman
Egypt	Kiribati	Pakistan
El Salvador	Kuwait	Panama
Equatorial Guinea	Kyrgyzstan	Papua New Guinea
Eritrea	Lao People's Democratic Republic	Paraguay
Estonia	Latvia	Peru
Eswatini	Lebanon	Philippines
Ethiopia	Lesotho	Poland
Fiji	Liberia	Portugal
Finland	Libya	Qatar
France	Lithuania	Republic of Korea
Gabon	Luxembourg	Romania
Gambia	Madagascar	Russian Federation
Georgia	Malawi	Rwanda
Germany	Malaysia	Saint Lucia
Ghana	Maldives	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Greece	Mali	Samoa
Grenada	Malta	Sao Tome and Principe
Guatemala	Mauritania	Saudi Arabia
Guinea	Mauritius	Senegal
Guinea-Bissau	Mexico	Serbia
Haiti	Moldova	Sierra Leone

Singapore	Syrian Arab Republic	Ukraine
Slovakia	Tajikistan	UN Mission in Kosovo UNMIK (Observer)
Slovenia	Tanzania	United Arab Emirates
Solomon Islands	Thailand	United Kingdom
Somalia	Timor-Leste	United States of America
South Africa	Togo	Uruguay
South Sudan	Tonga	Uzbekistan
Spain	Trinidad and Tobago	Venezuela
Sri Lanka	Tunisia	Viet Nam
State of Palestine (Observer)	Türkiye	Yemen
Sudan	Turkmenistan	Zambia
Sweden	Tuvalu	Zimbabwe
Switzerland	Uganda	

Urban Expo exhibitors list

Name of organization	Country
African Cities Research Consortium	United Kingdom
African Development Bank	Côte d'Ivoire
Al Ahly Sabour	Egypt
Al Ashraf Development	Egypt
American university in Cairo - Architecture Department	Egypt
Arab Constructions	Egypt
Arab Urban Development Institute (AUDI)	Saudi Arabia
Arabia Development	Egypt
Berenice University of Architecture and Urbanism	Libya
BLUETTI	China
Brancher srl	Italy
Cairo University- Faculty Of Engineering -Architecture Department	Egypt
Canadian International College	Egypt
CEDEUS	Chile
Centre for Housing and Sustainable Development University of Lagos, Nigeria	Nigeria
Chinese Society for Sustainable Development	China
Cities that Work International Growth Centre London School of Economics	United Kingdom
CitiIQ	Canada

Name of organization	Country
CiTra - City Transition	Namibia
City Space Architecture	Italy
CLUSTER - Cairo Lab for Urban Studies, Training, Environmental Research	Netherlands
Dar AlHandasah	United Kingdom
Delft University of Technology, Netherlands	Netherlands
Department of Irrigation and Drainage Penang	Malaysia
Department of Public Works and Town & Country Planning, Ministry of Interior, Thailand.	Thailand
Dialogue in the Dark / UN-Habitat	Kenya
Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU)	Cyprus
ElSewedy Electric Foundation - ElSewedy Technical Academy	Egypt
Erhan Ltd Turkiye	Türkiye
Esri Global Inc	United Arab Emirates
Faculty of Engineering - Ain Shams University	Egypt
Federal Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, Nigeria.	Nigeria
Fondation Botnar	Switzerland
French Network of Urban Planning Agencies - French Partnership for Cities and Territories	France
Future university in Egypt	Egypt
Georgia Institute of Technology	United States of America
German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)	Germany
German International University	Egypt
German University in Cairo	Egypt
German University in Cairo (GUC)	Egypt
Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy	Belgium
Groupe BC2	Canada
Habitat for Humanity	Jordan
Habitat UN Booth	United Kingdom
Haya Karima	Egypt
Healthbridge	Canada
Heritage Strategies International	United States of America
Housing and Urban Development Corporation Limited (HUDCO)	India
HuaHub	China
INCASÒL	Spain
Institut Teknologi Bandung	Indonesia
Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies, of Erasmus University Rotterdam.	Netherlands

Name of organization	Country
International Institute for Environment and Development	United Kingdom
IOM - International Organization for Migration	Switzerland
Islamic Development Bank	Saudi Arabia
ITA-AITES (International Tunnelling and Underground Space Association)	India
ITC, University of Twente	Netherlands
Kyiv School of Economics	Ukraine
LEIT GmbH	Germany
Lincoln Institute of Land Policy	United States of America
LMD	Egypt
Local2030 Knowledge and Scientific Network	Italy
London Interdisciplinary School	United Kingdom
London School of Economics and Political Science	Kenya
LSE Cities, The London School of Economics and Political Science and the African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town	United Kingdom
Madinet Misr	Egypt
Marmara Urban Forum by Marmara Municipalities Union (MMU)	Türkiye
Menofia University	Egypt
Ministère de l'Urbanisme, des Collectivités territoriales et de l'Aménagement des Territoires	Senegal
Ministry of Housing and Urban Development	Cameroon
Ministry of Housing, Utilities and Urban Communities	Egypt
Ministry of Lands Housing and Human Settlements Development	Tanzania
Ministry of Local Government, Unity and Culture - Malawi	Malawi
Ministry of Municipal Rural Affairs and Housing	Saudi Arabia
Ministry of National Territory Planning Urban Planning Housing and City Policy (Morocco)	Morocco
Ministry of Planning, Economic Development and International Cooperation	Egypt
Ministry of Urban Development	Nepal
Ministry of Urban Planning and Housing of RDC	Congo (Democratic Republic of the)
Ministry of Urban Planning, Housing and Land Development Guinea, Conakry	Guinea
Mountain View	Egypt
Myanmar Climate Action Network	Myanmar
National Council for Physical Development/ Ministry of Physical Development, Roads & Bridges	Sudan
National Department of Human Settlements	South Africa
OECD	France

Name of organization	Country
Pacific Urban Partnership	Japan
PLATFORM100	South Africa
Reggio Emilia Municipality	Italy
Research Center of Park City Index	China
Shanghai Coordination Center of World Cities Day	China
Shanghai University	China
Shelter Afrique Development Bank	Kenya
Silesian University of Technology, Faculty of Architecture	Poland
Smart and Future Cities Laboratory for Sustainable Urban Solutions, Ain Shams University - Faculty of Engineering	Egypt
Southeast University	China
Special Program for Urban and Regional Studies (SPURS) / DUSP / Massachusetts Institute of Technology	United States of America
State Committee on Urban Planning and Architecture of the Republic of Azerbaijan	Azerbaijan
Tatweer Misr	Egypt
TBK	Egypt
Tecnológico de Monterrey	Mexico
The Bartlett School of Planning, UCL	United Kingdom
The Egyptian Clothing Bank	Egypt
The Government of Moscow	Russian Federation
The Ministry of Local Government of Palestine	State of Palestine (Observer)
The National Alliance for Civil Development Work	Egypt
The Pattern Institute for Africa	Austria
The University of Auckland	New Zealand
The University of Melbourne – Centre for Cities	Australia
The University of Sydney, The Institut Teknologi Bandung, Thammasat University	Australia
The World Bank	Belgium
TMG	Egypt
Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative (TUMI)	Germany
Tshwane University of Technology	South Africa
UCL's Department of Risk and Disaster Reduction Tomorrow's Cities Urban Risk Hub	United Kingdom
UH-GAF University of Hertfordshire	Egypt
UK Centre of Expertise for Green Cities and Infrastructure	United Kingdom
UN-Habitat Egypt	Egypt
UN-Habitat	Kenya


Name of organization	Country
UNEP	Kenya
Unit For Urban Citizenship	South Africa
United Nations Innovation Technology Accelerator for Cities - UNITAC Hamburg	Germany
Universidad de Guadalajara	Mexico
Universidad del Quindio	Colombia
Université Française d'Égypte (UFE)	Egypt
Universite Gustave Eiffel	France
University of Catania	Italy
University of Miami	United States of America
University of Pavia - Architecture and Urban Design Lab	Italy
University of Plymouth	United Kingdom
University of Twente, Faculty of Geo-Information Science and Earth Observation	Netherlands
University of Twente, Faculty of Geo-Information Science and Earth Observation	Netherlands
Urban Development Directorate	Bangladesh
Urban Expansion Observatory, Pillai College	India
Urban Transitions Mission CENTRE	Austria
Urbanice Malaysia, Ministry of Housing and Local Government	Malaysia
Valley Higher Institutes	Egypt
Veneer House	Japan
Victoria University of Wellington	France
Vrije Universiteit Brussel	Belgium
World Art Forum for Development Foundation	Egypt
World Blind Union (WBU)	Canada
World Evangelical Alliance	United States of America
World Health Organization (WHO)	Switzerland
World Urban Planning Education Network	China
Xi'an Jiaotong—Liverpool University, Design School	China

Media partners



News websites, newspapers, news agencies

	Al Borsa		Business Today		El Watan
	Al Mal		Daily News Egypt		Soutalomma
	Amwal Al Ghad		Egypt Today		Property Plus
	ArchDaily		El Dostor		Urbanet
	Business Reporter		El Fagr		Youm 7

TV channels and networks

	Al Hayah		DMC		On E
	CBC		El Mehwar TV		Ten
	Channel 1		Extra News		

Radio

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Partner events directory

Networking events					
Event name	Organizer	Co-organizers	Partner type	Country	Region
15-minute City and the city of proximity. Global examples and learnings in the context of African cities	AustriaTech	C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group; ICLEI Africa - Local Governments for Sustainability ; Chaire ETI - IAE Paris Sorbonne.	National Government	Austria	Europe
24-Hour Cities Against Climate Change nighttime strategies to address the challenges of climate crisis	VibeLab	URBACT; Municipality of Braga.	Private Sector	Germany	Europe
A Global Public Space Network - Mainstreaming the role of public space through partnerships	Shared City Foundation	AVINA Foundation; UN-Habitat; C.	Foundation	Sweden	Europe
A new global Institute to drive urban resilience research and innovation	UNESCO - United Nation Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization	City Resilience Global Programme - UN-Habitat; Generalitat de Catalunya; TBC.	Academia / Research	Denmark	Europe
A Win for Climate and Health Mainstreaming Road Safety in Sustainable Transport Projects	Institute for Transportation & Development Policy	UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Accelerating inclusion and resilience for all through climate finance and participatory actions in cities. Partnerships for disability inclusion to leave no one behind.	Global Disability Innovation Hub	Climate Investment Funds; UN-Habitat; National Institute of Urban Affairs.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Accelerating Local Climate Action and Urban Green Transition for Inclusive, Sustainable, and Resilient Cities	UNDP-United Nations Development Programme	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); Arup; Ministry of Environment, Government of Egypt.	United Nations	Global	Global
Accelerating the Implementation of the Paris Agreement at the local level by Building the Climate Resilience of the Urban Poor Evidence of the Andean Region	Autonomous Municipal Government of Cobija	Local Government of Pasto; AECID.	Local and Regional Government	Bolivia	Americas
Advancing caring cities Active mobility for healthy, safer, and inclusive child friendly futures.	BYCS	Bernard Van Leer Foundation.	Civil Society Organization	Netherlands	Europe
Alternative Planning Toward Context-Sensitive Planning Education for Post-Conflict Reconstruction in Palestine	ACSP Global Planning Educators Interest Group GPEIG	UN-Habitat Palestine; Future university in Egypt; Ministry of Local Government Palestine.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
An operational approach to integrated urban development in Asia and the Pacific	Asian Development Bank ADB	UN-Habitat; Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS) of Erasmus University Rotterdam; The World Bank.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Applying emerging technologies to localize sustainable development and empower informal settlement communities across sub-Saharan Africa	Slum Dwellers International	Humanitarian Openstreetmap Team; MillionNeighbourhoods Project at University of Chicago.	Civil Society Organization	South Africa	Africa
Arid cities, climate change, sustainability and resilience challenges and needs	Royal Holloway University of London	Earthna Centre for a Sustainable Future; Climate Governance Commission; City of Doha.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe

Event name	Organizer	Co-organizers	Partner type	Country	Region
Autism-Friendly Park Ready to Take Part in the City	Shah Alam City Council		Local and Regional Government	Malaysia	Asia
Azerbaijans emerging as a laboratory of urban innovation Localizing contemporary city planning approaches and strategies for a	The State Committee on Urban Planning and Architecture of the Republic of Azerbaijan	The office of the Special Representative of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the Shusha district; BuroMuhit; Chapman Taylor.	National Government	Azerbaijan	Asia
Beyond SdGs What compasses for 2050	French Network of Urban Planning Agencies - French Partnership for Cities and Territories	Governance & Policies for Sustainable Development (GPS - Dev).	Civil Society Organization	France	Europe
Bridging Divides - Residential Segregation in Asia and Africa	Shaanxi Normal University	National Institute of Urban Affairs; Regional and Metropolitan Planning Unit UN-Habitat Kenya ; SHLC School of Social and Political Sciences University of Glasgow.	Academia / Research	China	Asia
Bridging Divides On Peripheral and Border Urbanism in the Middle East	Future university in Egypt	University of Leuven Kuleuven.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Bridging the Gap - Unlocking Finance for Local Climate Projects	Marmara Municipalities Union	ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability.	Local and Regional Government	Turkey	Asia
Bridging the Gap-Matchmaking Between Cities and Investors for Climate Action	United Cities and Local Governments Asia Pacific	Asian Development Bank ADB; United Nations Capital Development Fund.	Civil Society Organization	Indonesia	Asia
Building Bridges Strengthening Sub-Saharan Africas Waste Management and Finance through Informal Sector Engagement	C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group	Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Building Climate Resilience for Urban Communities - Localization of Resilience Assessment for sustainable, adaptive, and inclusive development	ICLEI European Secretariat	Resilient Cities Network Stichting R-Cities; International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies IFRC.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Building Connections: Towards a Latin American and Caribbean Network of Planning Institutes	The forum of Ministers and High Authorities on Housing and Urbanism from Latin America and the Caribbean (MINURVI)	Rede Brasileira de Institutos de Planejamento - InREDE.	National Government	Brazil	Americas
Building Egypts Future - Launching the First National Smart Cities Strategy	Ministry of Housing Utilities and Urban Communities	The World Bank; New urban communities Authority (NUCA); Ministry of Housing and Utilities and Urban Communities.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Building Financial Sustainability through Localization	US Agency for International Development		National Government	United States of America	Americas
Building Smart Ipgc and Iclei in the realization of the Sustainable Development Goals and the New Urban Agenda	Institute of Planning and Management of Cities - IPGC	ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability.	Civil Society Organization	Brazil	Americas
Building Sustainable Urban Futures Metropolitan Governance and Antifragility	Politecnico di Milano - Dipartimento di Architettura e Studi Urbani	Politecnico di Milano - Dipartimento di Architettura e Studi Urbani - MetroHub Centre; Cairo University; Área Metropolitana de Barcelona.	Academia / Research	Italy	Europe

Event name	Organizer	Co-organizers	Partner type	Country	Region
Building the Information Infrastructure to Support Investment in Affordable Housing Across Africa	Centre for Affordable Housing Finance in Africa	Reall Limited.	Civil Society Organization	South Africa	Africa
Capabilities in action how the training of public and social agents can contribute to the transformation and qualification of Brazilian cities in an integrated and sustainable way.	Ministry of Cities	National Secretariat of Urban and Metropolitan Development; ENAP - Brazilian National Public Management School; Brazilian National Association of Mayors - FNP.	National Government	Brazil	Americas
Capturing Voices and Recommendations of Stakeholders in the Design and Implementation of the UN-Habitat Strategic Plan 2026-2029	University of East London	UN-Habitat Stakeholder Advisory Group Enterprise SAGE.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Catalyzing Resilience Action - Augmenting municipal finance for disaster and climate risk informed urban development	UNDP-United Nations Development Programme	Climate Cities Finance Leadership Alliance; Global Fund for Cities Development FMDV; Global Initiative for Disaster Risk Management GiDRM.	United Nations	Global	Global
Celebrating Wuf12 Public Space Revitalization for Impact Initiative	UDF - Urban Development Fund	Cairo Governorate; UN-Habitat Egypt Office.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Challenging the integrated Urban Development in Greater Metropolitan Region - Cases study in Egypt, Uganda and Indonesia -	Japan International Cooperation Agency	General Organization for Physical Planning Egypt; NONE.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Cities and Corridors - the importance of an urban perspective for harnessing the development potential of enhanced connectivity	SECO	European Commission Directorate General for International Partnerships EU INTPA; Cities Alliance (CA).	National Government	Switzerland	Europe
Cities as our Home Building Climate Resilience with Local Finance and Community-Focused Technology	Urbanice Malaysia	Marmara Municipalities Union; Melbourne Centre for Cities; Institute for Global Environmental Strategies.	National Government	Malaysia	Asia
Cities for Youth- Digital Tools and Youth Leadership for Urban Wellbeing	Safetipin	Global Infrastructure Basel Foundation; UN-Habitat Young Game Changers Initiative.	Civil Society Organization	India	Asia
Cities Leading the Way Combatting Plastic Pollution for a Sustainable and Circular Future	National Institute of Urban Affairs	UNEP; ICLEI.	National Government	India	Asia
Citizen-Centric Ai in Smart Cities for Participatory Urban Governance Local Actions from Egypt, Germany and the Republic of Korea	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology	Slovak University of Technology; Nile University; Cairo University.	Academia / Research	Germany	Europe
City Labs Bridging to Local and Global Actions for Inclusive Digital Urban Transformation	UNITAC	IDB Cities Lab; Open Cities Lab.	United Nations	Global	Global
Climate Finance Instruments for Local Governments Global Experiences and Prospects in Developing Countries	UNCDF - United Nations Capital Development Fund	The World Bank.	United Nations	Global	Global
Climate Resilience in Mediterranean Cities from Strategies to Local Action	General Organization for Physical Planning	Barcelona City Council.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Climate-neutral and smart cities - Sparking global system transformation locally	Vinnova	Climate-Kic; UN-Habitat.	National Government	Sweden	Europe

Event name	Organizer	Co-organizers	Partner type	Country	Region
Co-Creating Neighbourhoods for All - Peer-to-Peer Learning on Safer Cities and Urban Security	Habitat Norway	UN-Habitat; United Cities and Local Governments; The Norwegian Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development.	Civil Society Organization	Norway	Europe
Cooling the Climate Crisis Turning the Global Cooling Pledge into Urban Impact	UNEP	Department for Energy Security & Net Zero; UNEP ; International Finance Cooperation (IFC).	United Nations	Global	Global
Creating Enabling Environment for the Localization of National Urban Policy through Effective and Inclusive Multilateralism	Ministry of land infrastructure and transport	Ministry of Housing and Utilities and Urban Communities; State Committee on Urban Planning and Architecture; Ministry of Urbanism, Housing and Habitat of Paraguay.	National Government	Republic of Korea	Asia
Digital Solutions for Reconstruction in Ukraine	Ministry of Development of Communities and Territories of Ukraine	UNECE; Ministry of Communities, Ministry of Development of Communities Territories and Infrastructure of Ukraine; Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH.	National Government	Ukraine	Europe
Digital technology for local and inclusive development - potentials and challenges	Chalmers University Gothenburg	Cairo University; Platform for Community Action and Architecture.	Academia / Research	Sweden	Europe
Disruptive Housing Solutions for a Resilient and Sustainable Urban Future in Africa	University of Ottawa	ICCCASU International Think Tank; UM6P International Centre for Territorial Innovation and Smart Urban Performance; UN-Habitat/ UM6P International Centre for Territorial Innovation and Smart Urban Performance; Regional Office for Africa of UN-Habitat.	Academia / Research	Canada	Americas
Eight years since Habitat III Implementation of the New Urban Agenda (NUA) in Latin America	Ministerio de Desarrollo Urbano y Vivienda (MIDUVI)	Ministry of Urban Development and Housing of Ecuador (MIDUVI); Ministry of Housing, Construction and Sanitation; Ministry of Public Works, Services and Housing.	National Government	Ecuador	Americas
Emerging technologies and transdisciplinary approach towards strengthening risk-informed urban resilience	Disaster Preparedness and Prevention Centre	Urbanice Malaysia; World Food Programme, United Nations Humanitarian Response Depot.	Academia / Research	Malaysia	Asia
Empowering Botswana - Smart Connectivity for Inclusive Development	Department of Town and Country Planning	SmartBots Innovation Hub.	National Government	Botswana	Africa
Empowering Climate-conscious Cities - Mainstreaming climate action into urban planning. Solutions from the global South	Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Internationale Zusammenarbeit GIZ GmbH	United Cities and Local Governments Asia Pacific (UCLG ASPAC).	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Empowering Local Climate Action - Governance, Data, and Contextual Insights from Cities in Asia and Africa.	United Nations University	National Institute of Urban Affairs; Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Internationale Zusammenarbeit GIZ GmbH.	United Nations	Global	Global
Empowering Local Communities through Digital transformation for Recovery, Conservation and Promotion A Focus on Cultural and Urban Heritage Sites in the Middle East	Arab International University AIU	Hashemite University; German Jordanian University; Polytechnique Bari.	Academia / Research	Syrian Arab Republic	Asia
Empowering Park Cities-Harnessing NbS, Parks, & Urban Forestry for Climate Intelligence and Socio-Economic Growth	Research Centre of Park City Index	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations FAO; Municipality of the City of Sao Paulo; UN-Habitat.	Local and Regional Government	China	Asia

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Empowering Women in Sustainable Mobility Strategies and Innovations	Wuppertal Institut Fr Klima Umwelt Energie Gmbh	Urban Electric Mobility Initiative; Wuppertal Institut Für Klima, Umwelt, Energie Gmbh; World Resources Institute (Wri) India.	Academia / Research	Germany	Europe
Enabling the Social Rental Housing Market in the Global South Accessible, adequate and affordable housing for all.	Social Housing and Mortgage Finance Fund (SHMFF)	World Bank TBC; Korean Association for Housing Policy Studies KAHPS TBC.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Erbil Sustainable Capital 2050 - Promoting Low-Carbon Urban Future in the Heart of Kurdistan through Japanese cooperation	RECS International	Ministry of Municipality and Tourism of Kurdistan Region of Iraq-General Directorate of Urban Planning; RECS International.	Private Sector	Japan	Asia
Establishment Urban Solution Lab to provide digital innovation in transforming and evaluating urban plans	The Urban Institute Housing and Building National Research Center	The Urban Institute - Egypt.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Feminist Cities. Advancing Care, Climate Justice, and Inclusive Urban Planning	Red Mujer y Habitat de America Latina	Huairou Commission; Safetipin; Habitat Coalition International.	Civil Society Organization	Guatemala	Americas
Financial Sustainability - Key to Unlocking Subnational Finance for Sustainable Urban Development	Asian Development Bank ADB	United Nations Capital Development Fund; Ipoh City.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Financing Localization and Localizing Finance at the 12th Urban Forum	Lincoln Institute of Land Policy	Inter-American Development Bank; Organisation for Economic Cooperation an Development.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas
Financing low carbon and resilient cities	Green Climate Fund	Adaptation Fund; Climate Investment Fund; GEF.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Financing refugee leadership and agency	Development Initiatives Poverty Research Ltd	ODI.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Financing strategies to strengthen urban economic resilience for inclusive responses to and recovery from crises	City Diplomacy Lab	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE); United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC).	Academia / Research	France	Europe
Financing the Future of Our Cities, Collaborative Approaches for Inclusive and Sustainable Outcomes	BASE Foundation	Urban Development Fund; Central American Social Integration Secretariat (SISCA).	Foundation	Switzerland	Europe
Five ways for spatial planning to mainstream climate action solutions	ISOCARP - International Society of City and Regional Planners	Royal Town Planning Institute; Planners for Climate Action P4CA.	Civil Society Organization	Netherlands	Europe
Food in the City Connecting Livelihoods, Culture, and Sense of Home for Newcomers	Healthbridge Foundation of Canada	Public Space Research Group, the Graduate Center, City University of New York.	Civil Society Organization	Canada	Americas
Fostering Resilience through Housing, Land, and Property Rights in Arab States	Palestinian Land Authority	Land and Water Settlement Commission.	National Government	State of Palestine (Observer)	Asia
From data to evidence for Youth-led localisation of Sustainable Development Goals	The University of Melbourne	Fondation Botnar.	Academia / Research	Australia	Oceania
From Local Action to Global Impact Insights from Local2030 Hubs	General Superintendency of Economic and Social Development	World Family Organization; Local2030 Coalition.	National Government	Brazil	Americas

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From Local to Global S.G.P. Egypt as a Unique Model in Localizing Climate Action and Boosting Sustainable Urbanization	National Initiative for Smart Green Projects- SGP Egypt	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).	National Government	Egypt	Africa
From the global to the local- How data can inform urban solutions to displacement	Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre	JIPS.	Civil Society Organization	Switzerland	Europe
Future Foundations: A North-South Dialogue on Climate-Resilient Housing	Commonwealth Association of Planners	Royal Town Planning Institute; P4CA (Planners for Climate Action).	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Gender mainstreaming in everyday life spaces for the inclusive and sustainable future of cities- gender criteria for housing design and public policies	URBANIMA- LUPT Centre of University of Naples Federico II	UNESCO Chair Gender ETSAM- Universidad Politecnica de Madrid; Faculty of Architecture Civil Engineering and Applied Arts Academy of Silesia; NBA Architecture & Interior Design Services.	Academia / Research	Italy	Europe
Ghanas urban development trajectory and future the National Urban Policy and Implementation Plan (2024-2033)	Ministry of Local Government Decentralisation and Rural Development	World Bank - European Union - GIZ.	National Government	Ghana	Africa
Global Approach to Urban Governance Model in South Africa - Implementing Lessons from the Gauteng Revitalization Strategy across City Regions	Gauteng Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs	South African Local Government Association; UK Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office.	Local and Regional Government	South Africa	Africa
Global Forum of Subnational Development Banks, Localizing Finance for Sustainable, Just, and Resilient Urbanization	FMDV - Global Fund for Cities Development	Alliance of Subnational Development Banks in Latin America and the Caribbean; African Alliance of Subnational Development Banks; Coalition on Resilient Cities and Regions - Finance In Common.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Governance and Institutional Frameworks for Sdg11 Localization and New Urban Agenda in Asean Cities	Urbanice Malaysia	UNESCAP – United Nations Environment Social Commission Asia Pacific; UN-Habitat – The United Nations Centre for Human Settlements; ASEAN - The Association of Southeast Asian Nations.	National Government	Malaysia	Asia
Green and resilient buildings, from multilateral cooperation to local implementation	Ministry of Ecological Transition and Territorial Cohesion	UNEP as host of the Secretariat of GlobalABC; OECD.	National Government	France	Europe
Green Cities in Egypt - Strong partnerships towards implementation	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development	Ministry of International Cooperation.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Greenfield Visions - Charter Cities and New Cities for Urban Prosperity in Africa	New York University Marron Institute of Urban Management	Charter Cities Institute.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas
Healthy and Age-Friendly Cities	Asian Development Bank ADB	World Health Organization; Global Disability Innovation Hub; City of Vienna.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Heat, Health, Housing reflecting on gaps and opportunities in a changing climate	IFRC - International Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies	International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent; Red Cross Climate Centre; ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global

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Home Away from Home, in Displacement and Beyond. Governance ,Housing Patterns, and the Loss of Identity and Sense of Belonging.	BC2	BC2 Groupe Conseil Inc; The Taiwan-Reyhanli Center for World Citizens.	Private Sector	Canada	Americas
Housing 4 All - Green, Resilient, Inclusive and Affordable	Asian Development Bank ADB	Inter-American Development Bank; Habitat for Humanity International.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Housing for all, Navigating the affordability in a changing world	Ministry of National Territory and Urban Planning Housing and City Policy	Union for the Mediterranean; African Union for Real Estate.	National Government	Morocco	Africa
Housing Improvements in the Minha Casa Minha Vida Program Articulation of Public and Private Actors And Civil Society In The Face Of An Urgent Challenge	Ministry of Cities of Brazil	Inter-American Development Banks Housing and Urban Development Department.	National Government	Brazil	Americas
Housing Rehabilitation in Historic Urban Settlements in the Arab region: Building Resilience and Capturing Values	Islamic Development Bank	UN-Habitat; UNESCO.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Housing, Land & Property Solutions for Displaced Persons & Communities	Habitat International Coalition - Housing and Land Rights Network	Housing and Land Rights Network - Habitat International Coalition; The Day After; UN Human Rights Office OHCHR.	Civil Society Organization	Egypt	Africa
How to bring local innovation to a territorial scale the value of regional government action	Generalitat de Catalunya	City Resilience Global Programme - UN-Habitat; Ajuntament de Barcelona.	Local and Regional Government	Spain	Europe
How to greenwash a city, and how to prevent it	SIR - Salzburg Institute for Regional Planning and Housing	Salzburger Institut für Raumordnung und Wohnen.	Academia / Research	Austria	Europe
Hub for Housing Justice - Strengthening alliances for just housing futures	IIED - International Institute for Environment and Development	Habitat International Coalition; United Cities and Local Governments.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Humanizing Smart Cities	Arab German Young Academy-AGYA	Nile University.	Academia / Research	Germany	Europe
Ideas on Developing a Strategy for Resettlement of Internally -Displaced People in Sudanese Cities (Housing Situation in Post-War Cities)	National Council of Urban Development	Ministry Ministry of Physical Development Roads & Bridges and National Urban Observatory.	National Government	Sudan	Africa
Inclusive and Equitable Public Space, a policy framework	City Space Architecture	World Blind Union; Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization; Global Infrastructure Basel Foundation.	Civil Society Organization	Italy	Europe
Inclusive data and digital tools for informal settlements	University of Glasgow	Urban Big Data Centre, University of Glasgow; University of Twente, Faculty of Geo-Information Science and Earth Observation; Slum Dwellers International (Know Your City Campaign).	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Inclusive Digital Governance in the Mena Region Challenges and success stories.	GIZ - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH	Municipal Development and Lending Fund ; Greater Amman Municipality; Ministry of Interior.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global

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Industrial zones, agroparks and technopoles catalysts for innovation, regional prosperity and enhanced rural-urban synergies	Azermemarlaiha Senior State Design Institute	Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Azerbaijan; Ministry of Innovative Development of the Republic of Uzbekistan; Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia.	National Government	Azerbaijan	Asia
Innovations for Life-long Education in Our Digital World	Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization Inc	Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization Inc; NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Innovative Collaborations for Future-Ready Public Housing - A Malaysian Approach	Think City	World Habitat.	Private Sector	Malaysia	Asia
Innovative Financial Mechanisms to Support the Transformation of Urban Agrifood Systems	FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations	UN-Habitat; ICLEI.	United Nations	Global	Global
Integrated Urban Planning Systems towards future resilient cities - Global experiences Middle East, Asia, Africa and Europe	Korean research institute for human settlements	Institut Paris Region.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
It all starts in partnership High-impact coalitions localizing the global development agendas in the era of urbanization	United Cities and Local Governments	Cities Alliance; International Organization for Migration.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
It Starts with Children - Local Actions for Inclusive Urban Futures	Save the Children International	Save the Children & am Global Alliance - Cities4Children; UCLG; UNICEF - United Nations Children&039s Fund.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Learning to collaborate embracing the role of international donors and investors in delivering a step-change in the supply and demand of gender-sensitive Green Affordable Housing (gah)	Reall	International Finance Corporation (IFC), Women's World Banking.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Lessons from Spatial Planning Platform Enhance wellbeing in urban and rural areas. (Country Good Practices in Governance and Partnerships(Spin-off of the 7th Spp meeting))	Ministry of Land Infrastructure Transport and Tourism of Japan	Japan International Cooperation Agency JICA; UN-Habitat Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific; Other potential organization include the OECD, the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, and SPP countries in Asia and Africa..	National Government	Japan	Asia
Leveraging mental modelling to craft unique solutions to climate adaptation in the Middle East a child-focused approach	World Vision International	World Vision International - Middle East and Eastern Europe; American University of Beirut; Beirut Urban Lab.	Civil Society Organization	Canada	Americas
Leveraging the power of earth observations in building climate resilience in cities	Group on Earth Observations	European Commission Joint Research Centre.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Leveraging the Transformative Potential of Finance for Climate Action in Cities Learning from Brazil	GIZ	German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) ; German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action (BMWK); Federal Ministry of Cities, Brazil.	National Government	Germany	Europe
Living Heritage Pathways towards community-driven post-disaster reconstruction	ASF - Architecture Sans Frontières International	Architecture Sans Frontières UK; Asian Coalition for Housing Rights; Community Architects Network.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe

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Local Action for Sdg Achievement and Urban Resilience	Madinah Region Development authority	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN-ESCWA); United Cities and Local Governments Middle East and West Asia Regional Organization UCLG-MEWA; King Khalid Foundation.	Local and Regional Government	Saudi Arabia	Asia
Local Actions for Sustainable Development of the Kenyan Coastal Communities and the Blue Economy	Council of Governors- KENYA	UN-Habitat and UNEP; Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS).	National Government	Kenya	Africa
Localisation to Close the Global Accessibility Gap - Amplifying voices and stocktaking of innovations, approaches, and local practices to leave no one and no place behind	World Blind Union	United Cities and Local Governments; Global Disability Innovation Hub; UN-Habitat (SDG Localization Team).	Civil Society Organization	Canada	Americas
Localising the implementation of the Global Action Plan for Accelerating the Transformation of Slums and Informal Settlements	Department of Human Settlements	Habitat for Humanity; Cities Alliance.	National Government	South Africa	Africa
Localizing Humanitarian Action through the Settlements Approach	USAID Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance	IOM.	National Government	United States of America	Americas
Localizing the Sdgs for inclusive multilateralism Sdg cities legal checklist	Commonwealth Lawyers Association	Commonwealth Association of Architects; Commonwealth Association of Planners.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Locally adaptable technologies for refugee/idp settlements Insights from private sector partnerships in Egypt, Kenya, Jordan	Spec Company Limited	Ford Foundation.	Private Sector	Japan	Asia
Making Transport Systems for all a reality – Gender-Responsive Urban Mobility Planning	Flone Initiative Trust	Flone Initiative.	Civil Society Organization	Kenya	Africa
Managing urban recovery through a people-centered digitized and multi-sectoral response during crisis in Lebanon.	Lebanese Red Cross	Disaster Risk Management Unit- DRM Unit at the Presidency of the Council Of Ministers PCM; National Center for Remoting Sensing; UN-Habitat office in Lebanon.	Civil Society Organization	Lebanon	Asia
Media and Information Literacy Cities Empowering people and information cultures	UNESCO-United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization	UNESCO Cairo Office.	United Nations	Global	Global
Meeting the Moment Innovations in Housing Supply to Address Inequality in Cities	State Department for Housing and Urban Development	American Institute of Architects.	National Government	United States of America	Americas
Ministerial Consultation on the UNICEF Global Initiative on Child Responsive Slum Transformation	UN-Habitat	Department Human settlements.	United Nations	Global	Global
Monitoring urban fabric for data-driven planning and decision-making	Charles University	OECD; The Alan Turing Institute.	Academia / Research	Czech Republic	Europe
More than buildings and streets The city as a whole	The Pattern Institute		Foundation	Austria	Europe
Multicultural creative clusters as a tool for social inclusion and partnership in the urban environment.	Polis Institute LLC	Polis Institute LLC; The Union of Creative clusters.	Private Sector	Russian Federation	Europe

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Multi-scale and multi-actor partnerships to advance the Right to the City and the New Urban Agenda	Global Platform for the Right to the City	Polis Institute of Social Policy; Ministry of Cities of Brazil.	Civil Society Organization	South Africa	Africa
National initiatives for sustainable local development	Ministry of Urban Planning, Territorial Authorities and Territorial Planning	Enda Ecopop.	National Government	Senegal	Africa
Navigating Chaos: Urban Strategies to mitigate the Sudan war and beyond	University of Khartoum Department of Urban Planning and Design	Sudanese Urban and Regional Planning Association; International University of Technology Twintech.	Academia / Research	Sudan	Africa
Network Building to Address Future Challenges for Urban Observatories	University College London	UN-Habitat - Global Urban Observatory Network GUO-Net; National Observatory Egypt - Eng Seham Mohey Eldin; National Observatory Egypt - Eng Passant Hamza.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Observatorios de Ciudades	Tec de Monterrey	Observatorio de Ciudades; Tec de Monterrey; EAFIT; Centro de Estudios Urbanos y Ambientales (URBAM); EAFIT.	Academia / Research	Mexico	Americas
Our Lagos, A Home For All	Lagos State	Urban Big Centre; UN-Habitat.	Academia / Research	Nigeria	Africa
Partnerships for local actions towards sustainable communities	Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency MSMEDA	European Union (EU); Agence Française de Développement (AFD).	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Pathways to Net-Zero System Innovations for Emerging Urban Centers & Zero Carbon Readiness in Middle East & Africa	World Green Building Council	OCED.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Pathways to Urban Recovery, Reconstruction, and Resilience-building in the Arab Region	UN-Habitat		United Nations	Global	Global
Paws for progress - Dog Population Management for safe and healthy cities	International Companion Animal Management Coalition (ICAM)	City of Cape Town.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Pearls 2. Climate Justice and the Value of People-Led Urban River Regeneration	Norwegian University of Science and Technology NTNU Faculty of Architecture and Design	Global Public Space Programme UN-Habitat; WRI-Africa; PREFEITURA MUNICIPAL DE BELEM.	Academia / Research	Norway	Europe
People-Centered Urban Regeneration under the track of digital solution	Wuhan Planning and Design Institute	Wuhan Planning and Design Institute WPDI ; Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU); UN-Habitat China Office.	Academia / Research	China	Asia
PinuA- Community Led Housing intervention in Kisumu and Nairobi Counties informal settlements, Nairobi, Kenya	State Department for Housing and Urban Development	UN-Habitat Kenya County office.	National Government	Kenya	Africa

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Pioneering Urban Law in Vietnam. Knowledge Sharing on Urban Legislation for Sustainable Urban Development in Oman, Saudi Arabia	Urban Development Agency	Ministry of Construction ; Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and Housing, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (MoMRAH); Ministry of Housing and Urban Planning, Sultanate of Oman (MoHUP).	National Government	Viet Nam	Asia
Placemaking with Local, and Global, Networks	Placemakingx	Amaken Placemaking; Fundacion Placemaking Mexico.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Planning and financing inclusive and sustainable neighbourhoods	FIABCI The International Real Estate Federation	Middle East Cities Center; Harley & Dickinson.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Project Preparation Facilities Enhancing Collaboration to Strengthen the Preparation of Urban Climate Infrastructure	Climate Policy Initiative	Cities Climate Finance Leadership Alliance (CCFLA); Asian Development Bank (ADB).	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Promising Integrated Urban Policies in the Arab region. A Dive into the Arab Sustainable Development Report 2024	UNESCWA - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia	UN-Habitat ROAF ROAS.	United Nations	Global	Global
Promoting Climate-resilient Cities through Climate-smart Urban Laws	Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung	Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Regional Programme Energy Security and Climate Change in Sub-Saharan Africa; UN-Habitat-Policy, Legislation and Governance Section; Institute of Advanced Legal Studies.	Foundation	Kenya	Africa
Promoting Technological Adoption in Vulnerable Communities. A Call to Action.	Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (ITESM)	Università degli Studi di Pavia.	Academia / Research	Mexico	Americas
Rational Allocation of Housing Through Cooperation	Urban Planning Society of China	International Society of City and Regional Planners; CAST UN Consultative Committee on Sustainable City Community and Heritage.	Academia / Research	China	Asia
Rebuilding Lives Urban Recovery Strategies in Conflict-Affected Arab States	Ministry of Local Government	Ministry of Local Government, Palestine; Ministry of Planning Iraq; Ministry of Local Administration and Environment Syria.	National Government	State of Palestine (Observer)	Asia
Reconstruction after disaster for the quality of life	Ministry of Physical Planning Construction and State Assets	Union for Mediterranean.	National Government	Croatia	Europe
Recovery from natural disasters in conflict and displacement-affected urban contexts in the Middle East and North Africa	Benghazi and Derna Reconstruction Fund	SALAR International.	National Government	Libya	Africa
Reducing housing deficit in Latin America and the Caribbean through statistical information sources	Inter-American Development Bank	Inter-American Development Bank; United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC); OECD.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Reframing Municipal Waste Management Local and Global Financing for all. Seizing a Historic Opportunity	Asian Development Bank Institute ADBI	French Solid Waste Partnership FSWP; National Institute for Urban Affairs NIUA; Agence Française de Développement (AFD) - French Development Agency.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global

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Remaking a home in displacement	Overseas Development Institute	IDMC.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Resilience Innovation in Informality through Scaling Entrepreneurship - Launching the Rise Challenge	Global Resilience Partnership	Society For The Promotion of Area Resource Centers SPARC; Slum Dwellers International.	Civil Society Organization	South Africa	Africa
Revitalizing Cities Pathways to Neighborhood Health and Resilience through Urban Regeneration	International Society for Urban Health	World Health Organization; UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Revitalizing Historic Urban Centers Balancing Preservation and Development	United Cities and Local Governments of Africa		Civil Society Organization	Egypt	Africa
Saameynta Scaling solutions to displacement in Somalia through financing inclusive urban development	The Ministry of Planning Investment and Economic Development	UN-Habitat.	National Government	Somalia	Africa
Sdg Cities Global Community harnessing the power of cooperation for the sustainable development of cities and territories	Regions4 Sustainable Development	UN-Habitat.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Sdg Cities Lusophone Initiative - The Portuguese Speaking Countries Example	Camara Municipal de Mafra	Municipality of Braga; Municipality of Fundão; UN-Habitat.	Local and Regional Government	Portugal	Europe
Social Innovation – Lessons learned from the Affordable Housing Initiative	Faculty of Architecture of the Delft University of Technology	Delft University of Technology, Netherlands; Housing Europe.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Social media, inequality, and futures. Bridging realities in policy and programming.	Urban-A	The London School of Economics and Political Science.	Private Sector	Norway	Europe
Spotlight on the 100 million plus forcibly internally displaced people	UN-Habitat	Office of the United Nations Special Advisor on Solutions to Internal Displacement.	United Nations	Global	Global
Strengthening Urban Capacities for a Green Recovery and Reconstruction in Ukraine	Ro3kvit urban coalition for Ukraine	UN-Habitat; Mariupol City Council; Zaporizhzhia City Council.	Civil Society Organization	Ukraine	Europe
Strong Partnerships for localized solutions for urban resilience in Pacific Small Island Developing States	Commonwealth Local Government Forum Pacific	Pacific Urban Partnership.	Local and Regional Government	Fiji	Oceania
Stronger Communities, Better Cities The Power of Planning Together (Experiences and Practical Tools to deliver inclusive plan)	ISOCARP - International Society of City and Regional Planners	Commonwealth Association of Planners.	Civil Society Organization	Netherlands	Europe
Stronger Together - Transforming Access to Water and Sanitation through South-South Water Operator Partnerships	Kisumu Water & Sanitation Company Ltd	National Water and Sewerage Corporation Kampala Uganda; UNICEF Eastern and Southern Africa; SIMAVI.	Local and Regional Government	Kenya	Africa
Sustainable and Affordable Housing and Neighborhoods	Global Urban Development	Viable Cities; UN-Habitat; US National Academies of Sciences Engineering and Medicine.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Sustainable and climate-resilient infrastructure and urban development in Latin America and the Caribbean	ONU-Habitat		National Government	Cuba	Americas

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Sustainable solutions to the housing crisis what actions and what innovations	USH-L'Union Sociale pour l'Habitat	Union sociale pour l'habitat USH; Minister of Construction Urban Planning and Housing of Ivory Coast; Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development OECD.	Civil Society Organization	France	Europe
Sustaining Local Economic Development in Secondary Cities	IHS, Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies of Erasmus University Rotterdam	Local Government Division, Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Co-operatives, People's Republic of Bangladesh; Swisscontact; Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS) of Erasmus University Rotterdam.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Temporary rental platforms one more face of the commodification of housing. Debate on the problems and possible solutions.	Habitat International Coalition Latin America Office	The Shift; Urban Front.	Civil Society Organization	Mexico	Americas
The challenge of housing in Africa - how to unleash the construction sector, build affordable housing units and reduce the environmental footprint	EPFL Swiss Federal Institute for Technology	Skat consulting Ltd; LC3 Technical Resources Center for Africa Meru University.	Academia / Research	Switzerland	Europe
The Eco-District initiative	Ministry of Housing of France	French Network of Urban Planning Agencies - French Partnership for Cities and Territories; Bea VARNAI; Urba Monde/ Bea VARNAI.	National Government	France	Europe
The future of Ukrainian cities - transformation through radical collaboration	City Institute	UNDP Eurasia; EUDG NEAR.	Local and Regional Government	Ukraine	Europe
The Implementation of the Spanish Urban Agenda: Time for Action	Ministry of Housing and Urban Agenda Government of Spain	Ministry of Housing and Urban Agenda of the Government of Spain; Local Administration; Regional Administration.	National Government	Spain	Europe
The legacy and topicality of John F.C. Turner on housing policy and lessons for community-led development	GPA	Universitat Politcnica de Catalunya UPC Barcelona.	Private Sector	United Kingdom	Europe
The medinas (Ancient urban fabrics) a resilience strategy for sustainable cities	Ministry of National Territory and Urban Planning Housing and City Policy	UN-Habitat Morocco office.	National Government	Morocco	Africa
The Recognition of the Right to the City as an Environmental Right by the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.	CJUR International Association of Urbanistic Jurisprudence	UN-Habitat Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean ; Urban Lawyers Latinamerican Network; CJUR International Association of Urbanistic Jurisprudence.	Civil Society Organization	Mexico	Americas
The Reconstruction of Gaza, Critical considerations to rebuilding lives	ENABEL - The Belgian Development Agency		Foundation	Belgium	Europe
The role of Cities in decarbonizing Built Environment and Construction Sector	Urban Development Directorate	Urban Development Directorate, Ministry of Housing and Public Works; Ministry of Works and Housing of Ghana; Ministry of Urbanism and Housing of Senegal.	National Government	Bangladesh	Asia
The Role of Local Governments in Advancing the Urban Recovery Framework in Ukraine	SALAR International	UN-Habitat; All-Ukrainian Association of Local Self-Governments.	Private Sector	Sweden	Europe

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The role of local governments in unlocking the transformative power of public spaces in the Arab Cities	Greater Amman Municipality	Ministry of Local Government ; Kfar Matta Municipality.	Local and Regional Government	Jordan	Asia
The silent crisis of Asia-Pacific's Sinking Cities	Stockholm Environment Institute Asia Centre	ESCAPUN-Habitat Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific; UCLG ASPAC.	Foundation	Thailand	Asia
The Urban Agenda at the local level: key to financing	FEMP	Housing and Urban Agenda Ministry.	Local and Regional Government	Spain	Europe
The Urban Performance Index - data, evidence and insights to guide urban policy and investments	UN-Habitat	Economist Impact.	United Nations	Global	Global
Time to Walk the Talk - Forefronting Local Action towards Urban Equality	The Bartlett Development Planning Unit DPU University College London UCL	United Cities and Local Governments; Habitat International Coalition.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Together We Prosper - Grassroots Women Leadership & Social Capital Fostering Partnership for Resilient Communities in Uncertain Times	Huairou Commission Women Homes & Community	Shibuye Community Health Workers; Community Health Forum; Sistren Theatre Collective & Groots Jamaica.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Towards financially sustainable Municipal Solid Waste Management systems in Africa through the African Clean Cities Platform	UN-Habitat	Japan International Cooperation Agency.	United Nations	Global	Global
Towards an International Landscape Convention - Rethinking Land Use	International Federation of Landscape Architects	World Green infrastructure Network WGIN; The International Society of City and Regional Planners.	Civil Society Organization	France	Europe
Towards future cities, putting quality of life and peoples wellbeing at the core of urban planning	Quality of Life Program	Quality of Life Program Center; International Society for Quality of Life Studies; UN-Habitat.	National Government	Saudi Arabia	Asia
Transforming Education and Building Capacity to Deliver Climate Action in Cities.	Commonwealth Association of Architects	Commonwealth Association of Planners; Global Planning Education Association Network; University Mohammed IKV Polytechnic.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Transit Oriented Development (tod) and urban policy using digital technologies for sustainable urban development	Ministry of Land Infrastructure Transport and Tourism in Japan	UN-Habitat Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific.	National Government	Japan	Asia
Universal Access and the Right to the City Planning with People with Disabilities	World Enabled	ITDP; GIZ.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Unlocking Home Ensuring Accessible Housing for All	Ministry of Social Solidarity - Egypt	Helm Organization.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Unlocking the potential of local data to foster sustainable and livable cities	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	European Commission Joint Research Centre.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Urban Heritage and Traditional Building Skills in Southern Mediterranean Countries	Union for the Mediterranean	National Organization for Urban Harmony - Ministry of Culture.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Urban Labs as Innovation Infrastructure for Sustainable Urban Development	Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and Housing	UN-Habitat; TU Delft.	National Government	Saudi Arabia	Asia

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Urban life quality - Public space requalification in urban centralities	Secretaría de Hábitat y Ordenamiento Territorial del Municipio del Distrito Metropolitano de Quito	Secretariat of Habitat and Territorial Planning.	Local and Regional Government	Ecuador	Americas
Urban Planning & City Solutions for Climate Mobility	Global Centre for Climate Mobility	Global Centre for Climate Mobility (GCCM).	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Urban Planning Tailor-made local solutions for resilient Cities and Communities facing climate change	French Network of Urban Planning Agencies	Metropolitan and Territorial Planning Agencies - global network (MTPA-gn); Federation of Urban Agency of Morocco Majal.	Civil Society Organization	France	Europe
Urban Practices Sharing Platforms Reimagining Urban Development Through Collaboration	Metropolis	Metropolis Association; The Arab Urban Development Institute.	Civil Society Organization	Spain	Europe
Urban Recovery Efforts in Ukraine for a more Inclusive, Green and Resilient Urban Future	NGO Restart Ukraine	Ukraine Urban Lab- UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	Ukraine	Europe
Urban Regeneration for Localizing the Sustainable Development Goals	IFAM - Instituto de Fomento y Asesoría Municipal	UN-Habitat.	Local and Regional Government	Costa Rica	Americas
Urban research and education for smart futures	The University of Hong Kong	The University of Hong Kong; International Society of City and Regional Planners.	Academia / Research	China	Asia
Urban Transformative Missions of India- Mainstreaming Innovations into Practices for Sustainable, Inclusive & Stronger Cities	Housing and Urban Development Corporation	All India Housing Development Association (AIHDA); Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO Ltd.).	National Government	India	Asia
Urbanising Middle East and North Africa (Mena) in the Age of Climate Change	Arup		Private Sector	United Kingdom	Europe
Water as Leverages City Champion Challenge. Scaling urban water resilience globally through local leadership	Netherlands enterprise & development agency - RVO	Deltares; UN-Habitat.	National Government	Netherlands	Europe
Women's visions and practices at the center of post-conflict reconstruction processes to design inclusive and sustainable homes, cities, and human settlements	UNESCO Chair Gender ETSAM- Universidad Politécnica de Madrid	URBANIMA- LUPT of University of Naples Federico II; United Cities and Local Governments Asia Pacific; Berdansk State Pedagogical University.	Academia / Research	Spain	Europe
Worldwide lessons from National Urban Policies development and implementation	Instituto Nacional de Ordenamiento Territorial y Urbanismo	National Institute of Land Use and Urban Planning (INOTU); Ministry of Government, Justice and Decentralization.	National Government	Cuba	Americas
Yaounde Roadmap in action - Building Sustainable Habitats in Africa	Climate Chance	UCLG Africa.	Civil Society Organization	France	Europe
Youth Visions for Sustainable Urban Futures	London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine	C40 cities; YLabs.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe

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Accelerating Sdg Localization Financing Towards 2030 Through Uncdf/un-habitat Fused Offering for Cities	UNCDF - United Nations Capital Development Fund	UN-Habitat	United Nations	Global	Global
Boosting the localisation of the sustainable development goals to propel transformative change	United Nations Joint SDG Fund		United Nations	Global	Global
Building Inclusive Migration Pathways to Drive Sustainable Urbanization	IOM - International Organization for Migration	UNDP; Mayors Migration Council; United Cities and Local Government (UCLG).	United Nations	Global	Global
Cities at the forefront - from Relief to long-term housing solutions in humanitarian crisis settings	UNHCR - United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	Global Shelter Cluster (UNHCR & IFRC as co-leads).	United Nations	Global	Global
Cities in a global perspective, Applying the Degree of Urbanisation	European Commission Joint Research Centre	UN-Habitat; UN-FPA.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Closing the city climate finance gap	World Bank	International Finance Corporation (IFC).	United Nations	Global	Global
Co-designing human-centric digital innovations for improved basic service delivery	United Nations Innovation Technology Accelerator for Cities - UNITAC Hamburg		United Nations	Global	Global
Culture-Powered Public Spaces for Inclusivity, Growth and Resilience	UNESCO - United Nation Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).	United Nations	Global	Global
EU-WOP Phase II launch and dialogue	European Commission	GWOPA/UN-Habitat.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
From crisis to home, sharing knowledge from cities to improve shelter and settlements response	IOM - International Organization for Migration	International Organization for Migration - Somalia; Global Shelter Cluster; UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global
Green Infrastructure and Nature-based Solutions in Built Environments Collaborative Frameworks to Address Climate Change	IUCN - International Union for Conservation of Nature	The World Bank; Holcim Ltd.	Civil Society Organization	Switzerland	Europe
Greening Near East and North African Cities to Combat Climate Change	FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations		United Nations	Global	Global
Harnessing synergies between Climate Change Adaptation and Risk Reduction in Migrant-Inclusive Health System Responses	UNDRR - United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction	United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR); IOM; World Health Organization.	United Nations	Global	Global
Harnessing the U N 2.0 capabilities to improve quality of life in urban areas	UN Global Pulse - Asia Pacific Hub	UN-Habitat; Quality of Life Initiative.	United Nations	Global	Global
Inclusive Cities promoting effective integration of migrants through public spaces in humanitarian and development contexts	IOM - International Organization for Migration	IOM - moderator; Goethe Institute ; UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global
Investing in the Nexus of Climate and Biodiversity at the Urban Scale	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	UN Convention on Biological Diversity; UNEP.	United Nations	Global	Global

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Knowledge in Action Bridging Policy and Practice through Scientific Research for Sdg Localization	FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations	Food and Agriculture Organization FAO; CeSPI ETS; UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global
Launch event The Africa Urban Resilience Knowledge Series	African Union	UNDP Resilience Hub for Africa; Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ).	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Mainstreaming Leave No One Behind in India - Reimagining Urban Frameworks from the Lens of Gender and Disability Inclusion	UN Resident Coordinator Office in India	UN Women India; UN-Habitat India.	United Nations	Global	Global
Making cities right for young people - youth at the center of a human rights-based approach to urban digitalization	OHCHR - Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights	United Nations Innovation Technology Accelerator for Cities - UNITAC Hamburg.	United Nations	Global	Global
Nexus Solutions for Sustainable Urban Farming Empowering Displaced Communities through Adaptive Water Management	UNESCWA - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia	UN-Habitat; UNICEF.	United Nations	Global	Global
Public spaces for children. Guiding policies and practices for children well-being and development	World Health Organization (WHO)	World Health Organization; UNICEF; UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global
Reforging Post-Pandemic Pathways to Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific Commitments from the Eighth Asia-Pacific Urban Forum	UNESCAP - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP); United Cities and Local Governments Asia-Pacific (UCLG-ASPAC).	United Nations	Global	Global
Riding the Resilience Wave All-hands-on-deck for Urban Resilience in Small Island Developing States and Coastal Cities	UNDP-United Nations Development Programme	UN-Habitat City Resilience Global Programme; United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR).	United Nations	Global	Global
Safe, Inclusive and Sustainable cities for children : Addressing structural barriers to child well-being in Informal Settlements	UNICEF	Slum Dwellers International; UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global
Scaling-up Financing for an Urban Shift towards Nature-Positive and Climate-Resilient Cities	UNEP		United Nations	Global	Global
Strategic Partnerships in Action to End Violence against Women and Girls in Public Spaces in Multiple Settings	UN WOMEN - United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women	Global Coalition on Safe Cities, as a leader of the Action Coalition on Gender-based Violence.	United Nations	Global	Global
Strengthening institutional framework of the Iraqi national and regional authorities in creating housing policy tools & finance	UN-Habitat	The International Trade Centre (ITC); The International Labour Organization (ILO); The European Union (EU).	United Nations	Global	Global
The European Mission on 100 Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities by 2030 - progress, lessons learned and international outreach	European Commission	Global Covenant of Mayors.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
The future is people powered - Active Mobility in the United Nations Agenda	UNEP	UN-Habitat; World Health Organization.	United Nations	Global	Global
The New Urban Agenda Where are We How to Get There	UN-Habitat		United Nations	Global	Global

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The Role of Private Sector in Financing Sustainable Development in Cities	International Finance Corporation IFC	Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA); The World Bank.	United Nations	Global	Global
United for Enhancing Quality of Life in Cities an Inter-Regional Approach	UNESCWA - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia	UN-Habitat; United Nations Regional Commissions UNECA- UNECE-UNECLAC- UNESCAP.	United Nations	Global	Global
Urban Tourism: Policies and Governance for More Sustainable, Inclusive, Creative, and Resilient Cities	UN Tourism	UN-Habitat; UNESCO.	United Nations	Global	Global
Working in partnership to improve health and wellbeing in urban settings	World Health Organization (WHO)	UN-Habitat and Regional Office for Arab States Egypt; WHO Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office and WHO Egypt ; Secretariat of the UN Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of NCDs.	United Nations	Global	Global

SDGs in action

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#GenerationRestoration From Brownfields and Concrete Jungles to Sustainable and Green Urban Landscapes	UNEP	ICLEI Cities Biodiversity Center; Ministry of Housing Utilities and Urban Communities.	United Nations	Global	Global
40 years of the World Habitat Awards - Innovation and Impact in Housing	World Habitat		Foundation	Netherlands	Europe
A Call to Action: the SDGs Local Learning Studio	Center for Sustainable Urban Development The Climate School Columbia University	Center for Sustainable Urban Development, The Climate School, Columbia University; Institute of Architecture and Technology, Royal Danish Academy; Vitti Studio.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas
Accelerating transformative actions in informal settlements and slums in African, Caribbean and Pacific States (oacps)	Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States	UN-Habitat.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Advancing the Localisation of Sustainable Development Goals through Sport	International Olympic Committee	UN-Habitat; Brisbane City Council; Agence Francaise de Developpement AFD - French Development Agency.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Blueprints for Resilience Crafting Accessible Solutions for Climate-Resilient Housing and Communities	Miyamoto International	Global Resilience Partnership.	Private Sector	United States of America	Americas
Boosting Local Economic Development through Innovative Financing	UNDP-United Nations Development Programme	Ministry of Local Development Government of Egypt.	United Nations	Global	Global
Building equitable futures challenges and opportunities for advancing urban justice and implementing Sdgs 11, 13 and 16. Egypt - Asia - Africa and Latin America.	CJUR International Association of Urbanistic Jurisprudence	Universidad Jurez Autnoma de Tabasco; United Cities and Local Governments of Africa; The Ministry of Local Development.	Civil Society Organization	Mexico	Americas
Capacity Building on Construction Technology for Rehabilitation of the Sudan	National Council of Urban Development	Ministry of Physical Development Roads & Bridges.	National Government	Sudan	Africa

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Circular Economy in Action Rethinking Urban Growth and Development	UNECLAC - United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean	The forum of Ministers and High Authorities on Housing and Urbanism from Latin America and the Caribbean MINURVI.	United Nations	Global	Global
Circular Solutions for Waste Management Best Practices and Implementation	Arcadis Shelter Program Un-Habitat Partnership International New Town Institute	Ministry of Local Development; UN-Habitat.	Private Sector	United States of America	Americas
Clearing the Path for Post-Conflict Recovery Innovations and Challenges in Demining	Mine Action Agency of The Republic of Azerbaijan	United Nations Development Programme Azerbaijan; Mines Advisory Group ; The Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining.	National Government	Azerbaijan	Asia
Collaborative Urban Futures Innovative Partnership Models for Development	Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab middle east and north africa	GSMA; UN-Habitat; Egypt Impact lab at the National Institute for Governance and Sustainable Development NIGSD.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Egypt & Colombia Resilient Communities and Climate Change Adaptation Approach Surrounding Water (North Coast and Nile Delta Regions in Egypt - Cauca and Magdalena Rivers, Mojana Delta and Caribbean North Coast)	Ministry of Housing Cities and Territories - Fondo Adaptacion	Ministry Of Housing Cities and Territories; Green Climate Fund; New urban communities Authority NUCA.	National Government	Colombia	Americas
Emerging Giants Sub-Sharan African Cities Spearheading Sustainable Progress	ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability	ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability - Africa; Covenant of Mayors in Sub-Saharan Africa ; Agence Française de Développement (AFD) - French Development Agency.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Empowering communities through creativity	IHS, Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies of Erasmus University Rotterdam	Ministry of social solidarity egypt; SDI Kenya; UN-Habitat.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Evidence-based policy to localise the SDGs	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	Ministry of Cities of Brazil; UN-Habitat; European Commission JRC.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Find Us at the Park	Global Shapers Budaiya Hub	UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	Bahrain	Asia
Global Abc Regional Roadmap for Buildings and Construction in the Arab Region 2020-2050	Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure	GABC.	Local and Regional Government	United Arab Emirates	Asia
Global Partnerships for Climate Resiliency Addressing Urban Water and Sanitation	Georgia Institute of Technology	Habitat for Humanity International; International Living Futures Institute; LIXIL.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas
Global River Cities for Sustainable Urban Development	Inter-American Development Bank	Asian Development Bank ADB.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Green Cities - scaling-up climate finance to combat water scarcity	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development	Global Center on Adaptation.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Habitats on the edge - Securing climate resilient homes for informal settlements	Arup	Roof Over Our Heads; Habitat for Humanity International; City of Johannesburg.	Private Sector	United Kingdom	Europe

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Housing and Spatial Justice in the XXI Century Social Habitat and Informal Settlements	Instituto de Arquitetos do Brasil	Syndicat de l'Architecture; American Institute of Architects; University of Toronto.	Civil Society Organization	Brazil	Americas
In Barcelona, Bogota and elsewhere, the best climate activist is a good urban planner.	UIA - International Union of Architects	C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group; Ajuntament de Barcelona - Barcelona City Council; Alcaldia Mayor de Bogota.	Civil Society Organization	France	Europe
Inclusive territories and sustainable development home for all, the right to a decent, affordable and healthy habitat. What tools should be used Examples of Governance Strategies	IFHP/COFHUAT	Inclusive Territories Committee Environment and Health Committee; OIDP UCLG; ELISAN.	Civil Society Organization	France	Europe
Incorporating Technologies in the Long Term Practical Strategies for Cities in the Technological Race for a Sustainable Future	Institute of Planning and Management of Cities - IPGC	ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability.	Civil Society Organization	Brazil	Americas
It All Starts With Her - Exploring womens impact on localising the Sustainable Development Goals	Dreamtown	Union for the Mediterranean; Shared City Foundation; National Organization for Urban Harmony – Ministry of Culture.	Civil Society Organization	Denmark	Europe
Journal launch Urban Regeneration - Producing Knowledge of Sustainable Urban and Rural Transformation	Shanghai Institute of Urban Regeneration and Sustainability at Shanghai University	Shanghai University; UN-Habitat, Policy, Legislation and Governance Section; University of Kassel, Faculty of Architecture, Urban Planning and Landscape Planning.	Academia / Research	China	Asia
Knowledge Exchange on Innovative Approaches for SDG localization Harnessing Best Practices of Planning, Financing, Data, and Implementation	Fuzhou Municipal Peoples Government	UN-Habitat; CitiIQ; Fuzhou Research Institute of Sustainable Development in Cities Ltd.	Local and Regional Government	China	Asia
Land-based Finance and the Future of African Cities	UN-Habitat		United Nations	Global	Global
Launching of Africa's Urbanization Dynamics 2024	African Development Bank	OECD.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Leveraging Digital Technologies to Solve the Last-Mile-Problems for Localizing Sdg 11 Indicators on Housing and Informal Settlements	University of Twente	United Nations Innovation Technology Accelerator for Cities - UNITAC Hamburg; European Space Agency; Eth Zurich.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Local Resource Mobilization and Local Finance Strategies to Support Urban Development Lessons from Qena Governorate, Egypt and the Local Finance Framework	UNCDF - United Nations Capital Development Fund	German Agency for International Cooperation GIZ; United Nations Human Settlements Programme - UN-Habitat; Qena Governorate.	United Nations	Global	Global
Localising the Sdgs through global urban partnerships - collaborative experiences from Belgium, Portugal and their partners	Vereniging van Vlaamse Steden en Gemeenten	The Belgian Development Agency ENABEL; Universidade Catolica Portuguesa - CESOP.	Local and Regional Government	Belgium	Europe
Localizing Human Rights for Inclusive, Safe, Resilient and Sustainable Cities that Leave No One and No Place Behind	International Centre for the Promotion of Human Rights at the Local and Regional Levels under the auspices of UNESCO	United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights; United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG Africa) through its African Local Government Academy (ALGA); UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global
Localizing National Smart City Strategies for Sustainable Development and Climate Action - Challenges and Opportunities	UNESCAP - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific	Ministry of Public Works and Transport; United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP); UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global

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National Urban Assessments- A Strategic Planning Tool for Sustainable Urbanization	Asian Development Bank ADB	Sepang Municipal Council; UN-Habitat Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Nature, Land, and Cities: What nature positive cities look like in the Arab region	United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)	UN-Habitat ROAF; Climate Champions Team; League of Arab States.	United Nations	Global	Global
Navigating the Polycrisis Evidence-Based Policy for Resilient Cities	Community Jameel	C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group; Global Resilient Cities Network.	Civil Society Organization	Saudi Arabia	Asia
New Cities - Challenges, Risks, Opportunities, and Outcomes of New Urban Development Projects	United States Department of State		National Government	United States of America	Americas
Paving the Way to Urban Sustainability. Connecting Values, Policies, Planning, Design and Esg Investment	Environment Europe Foundation	Environment Europe Limited.	Civil Society Organization	Netherlands	Europe
Pioneering Resilient Cities for Tomorrow	Cambridge Transformation Labs	UN-Habitat Housing Unit; Bamboo Village Trust; Brightkey Partners.	Private Sector	United Kingdom	Europe
Public Space Contributions to Sustainable Development Goals - Local cases of success	Gehl Architects	Abu Dhabi Early Childhood Authority; Public Space Research Group the Graduate Center City University of New York; UN-Habitat Global Public Space Programme.	Private Sector	Denmark	Europe
Putting people first: Inclusive cities for all	BMZ - Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development	UCLG; Slum Dwellers International.	National Government	Germany	Europe
Reframing Municipal Waste Management and Financing from Community Recycling and Compositing to Metropolitan and Multilateral Cooperation	Syctom Agence mropolitaine des dchets mnagers	French Waste Partnership ; French Development Agency (AFD); National Institute for Urban Affairs.	Local and Regional Government	France	Europe
Research in Action Promoting Role of Research-Practice Partnerships in Advancing Sustainable Urbanization	Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research	Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies IHS; Global Planning Education Association Network GPEAN.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Resilient sanitation and water services - how African cities and utilities are driving towards the Sdgs	International Water and Sanitation Centre IRC	UCLG Africa; UN-Habitat; Habitat for Humanity Kenya.	Civil Society Organization	Netherlands	Europe
Road to Trillions - Actionable Strategies to Close the Urban Climate Finance Gap	Climate Policy Initiative	Institute for Urban Research University of Pennsylvania; German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development BMZ ; German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action BMWK.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Scaling access to climate-resilient housing and urban services in informal settlements	World Resources Institute Ross Center for Sustainable Cities	Build Change; Slum Dwellers International.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Scaling Up Affordable and Sustainable Housing Supply. Planning-Led Solutions and Leveraging Existing Housing Stock	Habitat for Humanity International	American Planning Association; Build Change; The Royal Town Planning Institute.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Scaling Up Local Solutions to Global Challenges through Multilevel Governance	CEMR	UN-Habitat; Tbilisi City Georgia; European Commission Joint Research Centre.	Local and Regional Government	Belgium	Europe

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Scorching Cities Local Solutions to Combat Extreme Heat	Perry World House University of Pennsylvania		Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas
Sds in Action - Strategic Sdg Foresight Case European Sdg-cities	City of Espoo	City of Braga.	Local and Regional Government	Finland	Europe
Securing Financing for Affordable, Green, and Resilient Housing and Buildings	World Bank	International Finance Corporation IFC; Shelter Afrique.	United Nations	Global	Global
Sponge Cities and Nature-based Solutions Integrating climate action for resilience and livability	Asian Development Bank ADB	World Wildlife Fund WWF; Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of the People's Republic of China.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Stronger Together Voluntary Metropolitan Coordination Across Local Boundaries on Sdgs and Governance - Cases from Europe and Asia	Asian Development Bank ADB	Centre for Socio-Eco-Nomic Development CSEND ; UN-Habitat ROAP Office.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Supporting the Integration of Refugees in Cities	International Rescue Committee	Impact Initiatives; Mayors Migration Council.	Civil Society Organization	Kenya	Africa
Sustainable Mobility for Future Cities Innovations, Partnerships, and Collaborative Frameworks	Urban Electric Mobility Initiative	World Resources Institute; Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative TUMI; Transport for Cairo.	Civil Society Organization	Germany	Europe
Technology and digitalization as tools to accelerate a just transition to a sustainable future for cities	Wuppertal Institut für Klima Umwelt Energie GmbH	UN-Habitat; ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability; Urban Electric Mobility Initiative.	Academia / Research	Germany	Europe
The City of Yekaterinburg - An Interdisciplinary and Intersectoral Approach to Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals	United Nations Association of Russia	The UN Association of Russia; The Yekaterinburg city Administration; UN Information Centre in Moscow.	Civil Society Organization	Russian Federation	Europe
The Sustainable Urban Development Goals (sudg) and the formulation of the National Urban Development Policy (nudp). Establishing relationships with the location of the Sdgs, with the Nau and other international agendas in Brazilian cities	Ministry of Cities	National Secretariat of Urban and Metropolitan Development.	National Government	Brazil	Americas
The Winning Formula - Partnering With and Transforming Communities through Locally-led Actions for Sustainable Human Settlement Development	Huaiou Commission	The Government of the Republic of Zambia; Slum-Shack Dwellers International - SDI; Habitat Norway.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Understanding Climate Risks to the Urban Poor	US Agency for International Development	Tetra Tech; Center for Sustainable Urban Development the Earth Institute Columbia University.	National Government	United States of America	Americas
Urban Fragility- Is International Development fit for purpose	Cities Alliance	USAID - United States Agency for International Development; Habitat for Humanity International.	United Nations	Global	Global
Youth Decision-making for Healthy and Sustainable Cities and Communities Case Studies from Egypt and the United Kingdom	University of East London	Ministry of youth and sports; Youth Hostels Association; UN-Habitat-Global Land Tool Network.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe

Training events

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A Roof Over Our Heads collaborative in response to resilience to coproduce the development of informal habitats in urban areas.	Society for Promotion of Area Resource Centers	Society For The Promotion of Area Resource Centers SPARC; Slum Dwellers International Kenya ; Arup.	Civil Society Organization	India	Asia
Access-Accelerating Access to Low Carbon Urban Mobility Solutions through Digitalization	Institute for Transportation and Development Policy	UNEP; ITDP.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Arab Mayors Academy - Partnerships for Local Impact	UNESCWA - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia	UN-Habitat; United Cities and Local Governments Middle East and West Asia Section.	United Nations	Global	Global
Bridging the Humanitarian-Development Continuum Operationalizing the Settlements Approach to address climate and environmental	Impact Initiatives	UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	Switzerland	Europe
Building Resilience, the City Resilience Profiling Tool	Barcelona City Council	City Resilience Global Programme - UN-Habitat; Medellin City Council.	Local and Regional Government	Spain	Europe
Building urban observatories for sustainable and resilient cities hosted by the Global Urban Observatory Network	Gauteng City-Region Observatory		Academia / Research	South Africa	Africa
Circular Construction & Housing in Sub-Saharan Africa case studies and replicability in the region	national construction authority	UN-Habitat; Carbon Turnaround; Walvis Bay Municipality.	National Government	Kenya	Africa
CityScape 2050 GenAI-Powered Urban Futures Workshop	UNDP-United Nations Development Programme	UNDP City Experiment Fund; UNDP Urban Learning Centre.	United Nations	Global	Global
Co-creating collective urban intelligence with the CitiVerse Lab platform and Pathways toolkit	University of Manchester	Guangzhou Institute for Urban Innovation; London South Bank University London United Kingdom School of the Built Environment and Architecture; UN-Habitat Urban Policy Platform.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Creating circular settlements - closing loops to close gaps	Namibian University of Science and Technology	Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST); with MIT; MycoHab; with MIT; CiD - Innovation Alliance Circular Design.	Academia / Research	Namibia	Africa
Empowering African Cities - Advancing Urban Mobility Solutions	UNEP	Japan International Cooperation Agency; Uitp-Union Internationale des Transports Publics; African Development Bank.	United Nations	Global	Global
Empowering Cities for the Just Transition, Spatial Justice as a Framework for Policy Design and Evaluation	Delft University of Technology Netherlands	Global Resilient Cities Network; Fraunhofer Gesellschaft IAO; TUD Centre for the Just City.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Empowering Communities Participatory Approaches for Inclusive and Climate-Resilient Urban Transportation	Stockholm Environment Institute - University of York		Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe

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Empowering Multifamily Buildings Global Strategies for Energy-Efficient Housing Solutions	TU Delft	Delft University of Technology; Housing Development and Management (Hdm), Lund University.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Empowering Women for Resilient Urban Transformation of low-income and peripheral neighbourhoods	Cities Alliance	GIZ - Deutsche Gesellschaft fr Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH.	United Nations	Global	Global
Enabling Urban Resilience - Training for Cities for Enhanced Access to Climate Adaptation Finance	Asian Development Bank ADB	United Cities and Local Governments Asia-Pacific; Sustainable Infrastructure Foundation; United Nations Capital Development Fund.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Enhancing Public Participation in Urban Design through Digital Tools and Community Engagement The cases of Vivo mi Calle and Osmosi	Università degli Studi di Palermo	OSMOSI Project; Fundacio Despacio; World Resource Institute WRI Colombia.	Academia / Research	Italy	Europe
Every House Matters - Growing the Housing Sector Contribution to the Economy	Centre for Affordable Housing Finance in Africa		Civil Society Organization	South Africa	Africa
Financing Urban Infrastructure - Innovative options to attract investors	European Investment Bank	GIZ Deutsche Gesellschaft fr Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH; ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI).	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
From Street to City and Citizen to Stakeholder - Applying interdisciplinary approaches to address complex challenges and transform how we localise	London Interdisciplinary School	Londong Interdisciplinary School; Urban Purpose.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Gender and Disability Inclusion in Urban Infrastructure - Accessibility Audit Toolkits for Urban Practitioners	UN Resident Coordinator Office in India	National Institute of Urban Affairs.	United Nations	Global	Global
Genius Loci - How Community Mapping Puts People at the Heart of Heritage Districts in Asia	Urban Discovery	International Center for Innovative Developments ICID; Buro Muhit; State Service of Cultural Heritage Conservation Development and Rehabilitation.	Private Sector	Netherlands	Europe
Global and Regional urban data to address sustainable urbanization at all levels	European Commission	European Commission Joint Research Centre; OECD.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Global Covenant of Mayors Understanding Climate Risks & Vulnerabilities to Plan for Climate Change Adaptation.	Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy	European Commission Joint Research Centre; ICLEI Africa; UN-Habitat.	Local and Regional Government	Belgium	Europe
Governing the Water Energy Food Nexus - Learning from African cities	RUAF CIC	ICLEI Africa; Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); CGIAR.	Private Sector	United Kingdom	Europe
Green Urban Renewal Strategies - mapping, planning, implementing, financing and digitalizing	Ministry of Physical Planning Construction and State Assets	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; Urbanex Ltd..	National Government	Croatia	Europe
Happy City- Viewing the City through a Quality of Life Lens	International Society for Quality of Life Studies	International Society for Quality of Life Studies (ISQOLS), ; Smart City Institute Japan; Quality of Life Initiative.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas

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Hexagonal Cities An urban and public Innovation delivery urban lab	Centro Iberoamericano de Desarrollo Estrategico Urbano-CIDEU	The Office of the Havana City Historian; Ayuntamiento de Barcelona.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Housing Land and Property rights in urban crises - Laying the ground for durable solutions across the Hum-Dev-Peace Nexus	UNHCR - United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	Global Shelter Cluster (co-lead by UNHCR and IFRC) ; IOM; Norwegian Refugee Council	(NRC).	United Nations	Global
Housing Policy Practices and Tools to Enable the Supply of Affordable Housing Options and Access to Housing Finance	International Federation for Housing and Planning	International Federation of Housing and Planning - IFHP; Center for Affordable Housing Finance in Africa; Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (Ihs) of Erasmus University Rotterdam.	Civil Society Organization	Denmark	Europe
Human Centered Design (hcd) in Action for Inclusive Urban Planning and Service Delivery	GIZ - Deutsche Gesellschaft fr Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH	The Association of Palestinian Local Authorities APLA; Birzeit University; Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Improve Your Solid Waste Management System by Learning How to Use the Usaid Solid waste Capacity Index for Local governments (scil)	International City Country Management Association		Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Inclusion Starts at Home - Identifying accessibility barriers and enabling local action across organisations and communities to leave no one behind	World Blind Union	CBM Global Disability Inclusion ; UN-Habitat (Human Rights and Social Inclusion Unit); Vision Ireland.	Civil Society Organization	Canada	Americas
Inclusive Data Innovations for Mapping Urban Deprived Areas, Peripheral Territories, and Informal Settlements	University of Glasgow	Urban Big Data Centre, University of Glasgow; CIESIN at Columbia University Climate School; Secretaria Nacional das Periferias, Ministério das Cidades.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Incremental housing as an opportunity to build green and resilient communities, the experience of Latinamerica and the Caribbean	Urban Housing Practitioners Hub (UHPH) for Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC)	Swisscontact - Swiss Foundation for Technical Cooperation; Habitat for Humanity International.	Civil Society Organization	Mexico	Americas
Inspiring, Inclusive & Incremental - Successful Community Building for resilient, affordable and beautiful Housing	American Institute of Architects	UIA - International Union of Architects; UMAR - Union of Mediterranean Architects; AUA - African Union of Architects.	Private Sector	United States of America	Americas
Jointly building capacity for postwar recovery in Ukraine. Digital Tools for informed decision-making under crisis conditions	Kyiv School of Economics	Hafencity University Hamburg.	Academia / Research	Ukraine	Europe
Learning sustainable and integrated municipal solid waste management systems through Fukuoka Method	Fukuoka City Government		Local and Regional Government	Japan	Asia
Leveraging inclusive partnerships towards sustainable urban development - Scaling up local initiatives for a higher impact	Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies IHS	Alumni International Network, Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Leveraging Land Value Capture for Affordable Housing Provision and Infrastructure Financing	Lincoln Institute of Land Policy	Universidad Torcuato Di Tella; Development Action Group.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas

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Local Economic Development The Egyptian Experience in Economic Decentralization and Local Resource Mobilization	Ministry of Local Development	The World Bank; UNDP Egypt.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Localizing the New Urban Agenda with New Pattern Languages for Growing Regions	Structura Naturalis Inc		Private Sector	United States of America	Americas
Measuring Resilience - Strategies and Tools for Cities to Measure Impacts of Urban Resilience Interventions	Asian Development Bank ADB	GIZ Urban Act; UN-Habitat Regional Office for Asia and Pacific.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
On-site sanitation technologies with low water use for developing countries for health, hygiene and social equity	International Academy of Environmental Sanitation and Public Health	International Academy of Environmental Sanitation and Public Health (IAESPH); Sulabh International Social Service Organisation (SISSO); 3R WASTE Foundation.	Civil Society Organization	India	Asia
Overcoming The Project Implementation Gap To Address Urban Sustainability And Resilience	Resilient Cities Catalyst	US Department of State.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Participatory Public Space Site-Specific Assessment and Design-Tools & methodologies for inclusive social cohesion	An-Najah National University	Ministry of Local Government; UN-Habitat.	Academia / Research	State of Palestine (Observer)	Asia
Planning for change with the Sustainable Development Goals	United Cities and Local Governments	United Cities and Local Governments; UN-Habitat; Greater Amman Municipality.	Civil Society Organization	Spain	Europe
Professionalizing Community Data Collection - Building on the Data4HumanRights Curriculum	University of Twente	Faculty ITC of the University of Twente; Justice Empowerment Initiative (Jei) Benin; SDI Kenya - CommunityMappers.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Public Space Academy, for the advancement of knowledge and design of public space	City Space Architecture	Ove Arup Foundation; UN-Habitat; GUC - German University in Cairo.	Civil Society Organization	Italy	Europe
Public-community partnerships democratizing and improving decision-making and service delivery to advance the right to the city for all	Habitat International Coalition	Global Platform for the Right to the City; United Cities and Local Governments.	Civil Society Organization	Netherlands	Europe
Reporting on the Arab Strategy for Housing and Urban Development & the New Urban Agenda	League of Arab States	United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia UNESCWA; UN-Habitat ROAS.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Rooted Wisdom - Embracing Traditional Building Materials for Climate Resilience and Greater Sustainability	Think City	INTBAU.	Private Sector	Malaysia	Asia
Sensing the City New ways of understanding public space through photography, mapping, soundscapes, attachment, and feeling	Public Space Research Group, the Graduate Center, City University of New York	City of Johannesburg and Centre on African Public Spaces; UN-Habitat Global Public Space Programme.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas
Spatial co-visioning and stakeholder engagement in the urban-rural interface. Methods, tools and processes.	Habitat Unit Technische Universitaet Berlin	TU Berlin, Chair of International Urbanism and Design (Habitat Unit); UN-Habitat, Urban Policy Platform; Urban Development Fund Egypt.	Academia / Research	Germany	Europe

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Spatially Informed Infrastructure Investment Prioritization to Finance Resilient and Sustainable Cities, for practitioners in local and national government and urban specialists.	World Bank	UN-Habitat Urban Lab.	United Nations	Global	Global
Strengthening Local Institutions through transformative digitization and capacity building for the Sdgs	Global CEO Alliance Foundation	CIFAL Lebanon.	Foundation	United States of America	Americas
Tackling Urban Climate Risks. Practical Guidance on Managing Climate Risks and Nature-based Solutions	Sciences Po - Urban School	The Namibia University of Science and Technology NUST; AtkinsRalis.	Academia / Research	France	Europe
The Power of Health Equity & Biophilia - A Better Urban Future Together	International Society for Urban Health	KAWN; Ocupa Tu Calle; Kounkuey Design Initiative KDI.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Training on Building Energy Performance Calculation and Certification approaches, strategies and practical tools between New Constructions and Retrofitting of Existing stock	Integrated Development Group	Guidehouse.	Private Sector	Egypt	Africa
Transforming the Built Environment Implementing Change and Transformation in the Built and Urban Environment to Meet the Unsds	Chalmers University Gothenburg	University of Cairo; UN-Habitat.	Academia / Research	Sweden	Europe
Trigger Change - Innovative Urban Land Restoration, a new global university course	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	UNCCD; G20 Global Land Initiative ; Ain shams university faculty of engineering; UNU.	United Nations	Global	Global
Two trainings for city leaders using open innovation to solve local problems and creating a green smart eco-city for urban resilience	Nesta	UN-Habitat; Makindye Ssabagabo Municipal Council.	Foundation	United Kingdom	Europe
Urban Agenda Platform and Customised Local Delivery to Enhance Urban Governance in Asia-Pacific Cities	Urbanice Malaysia	UN-Habitat; UCLG-ASPAC United Cities and Local Governments Asia Pacific; Earoph International.	National Government	Malaysia	Asia
Urban Ai and Surveillance Technologies in Military-Observed Cities. A Case Study of Ai Systems in Palestinian territories.	Global AI Ethics Institute		Academia / Research	France	Europe
Urban Futures and Scenario Planning Workshop, the National Spatial Data Infrastructure role in transforming cities into smart and sustainable communities	Faculty of Urban and Regional Planning Cairo University	Ministry of Planning and Economic Development; Military Survey Development.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Urban Solutions Lab Interactive Games for Climate-Resilient and Livable Cities	Arab Academy for Science, Technology & Maritime Transport (AASTMT)	National Institute of Urban Affairs; Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs; Trees Think Tank.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Urban-Act - Integrated Climate Action for Low-Carbon and Resilient Cities in the Asia-Pacific Regional Training Synthesis 2024	UNESCAP - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific	United Nations ESCAP; Melbourne Centre for Cities; UCLG ASPAC.	United Nations	Global	Global
Utilizing Participatory Urban Tools - Land Readjustment & Human-Centred Streets	Qena Governorate	Sustainable Public Spaces Unit - SPSU; General Organization for Physical Planning; Edinburgh Napier University.	Local and Regional Government	Egypt	Africa

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(Un)homely City: Navigating houseless in a pandemic	University College London	Tata Institute of Social Sciences ; Pehchaan.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Resilience Rebuilt Transforming Lives in Dag Tarakhil	Global Shelter Cluster	UN-Habitat, Afghanistan.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
An Architecture of Equity	Urban Think Tank Empower	Urban-Think Tank.	Civil Society Organization	South Africa	Africa
Beyond the Kites	Varias Fita Filmes		Private Sector	Brazil	Americas
Breaking The Cycle - Community Transformation in Korogocho, Kenya	Dreamtown	Komb Green Solution.	Civil Society Organization	Denmark	Europe
Building a (happy, healthy, and safe) Cycle-Friendly Future for Children	Dutch Cycling Embassy	Nieuw & Verbeterd; Fietsersbond Rotterdam & Regio.	Civil Society Organization	Netherlands	Europe
Building Visions	Glaciar Films	NGF Film.	Private Sector	Chile	Americas
City Unfinished - Voices of El Ermitano	Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya	GPA Geoffrey Payne Associates.	Academia / Research	Spain	Europe
Concours Villes Propres	MINHDU	Programme de Gournance Urbaine.	National Government	Cameroon	Africa
Death of a River	Shehersaaz Welfare Trust	UN- Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	Pakistan	Asia
Empowering Upper Egypt A Holistic Approach to Regional Growth and Governance	Ministry of Local Development	Qena Governorate; Sohag Governorate; The World Bank.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Feet on the Ground, Window to the Sky	ONU-Habitat.		Individual	Spain	Europe
Gauteng Spatial Development Framework 2030	Gauteng Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs		Local and Regional Government	South Africa	Africa
Good Hood Stories - Transforming Informal Settlements	South African Cities Network	Department of Human Settlements.	Civil Society Organization	South Africa	Africa
Hayat	United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women UN Women		United Nations	Global	Global
Homeless	Nevada Homeless Alliance	Nevada Housing Coalition; American Civil Liberties Union.	Foundation	United States of America	Americas
I (r)exist - peripheral Lgbtqiap+ life experiences	Alagoas State Government	ONU-Habitat; Viracao Educomunicacao; Instituto Polis.	Local and Regional Government	Brazil	Americas
If not now, when Planning for the urban Water-Energy-Food Nexus	Technical University of Munich TUM		Academia / Research	Germany	Europe
Inside a trans shelter in India hoping to foster community and prevent homelessness	CNN- Cable News Network		Media	United Kingdom	Europe
Introducing the Cities Spatial Model	Cities That Work International Growth Centre University of Oxford	The World Bank; City of Cape Town.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe

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Lo que queremos es cambiarlo todo / What we want is to change everything	Adriana Allen - The Bartlett Development Planning Unit DPU University College London UCL	Habitat International Coalition Latin America Office; Instituto Polis; Habitat International Coalition.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Makanuna Al-Khalifa - Empowering Youth to Transform Urban Spaces	Makanuna	Eiid Studio.	Civil Society Organization	Egypt	Africa
Strangers in the Dark	Embassy of the Republic of Finland in Kenya	Illume.	National Government	Finland	Europe
The Green Crisis of Cairo	Faculty of Engineering Ain Shams University	AMAKEN Placemaking.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
The neighbours of Santa Olga	University College London	Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile; CIGIDEN.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
The Place Man	The Place Institute		Foundation	Mexico	Americas
Tribal Talks	Green Sharm El Sheikh Project	Ministry of Environment; Blue Camel Media.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Water Generation Young professionals shaping the future	UN-HabitatGlobal Water Operators Partnerships Alliance		United Nations	Global	Global

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3rd Edition of the Global State of National Urban Policy Report Launch	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	UN-Habitat.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Advancing Nature-Based Solutions in Cities Lessons from the State of Finance for Nature in Cities Report 2024	Penn Institute for Urban Research	UNEP; Cities Climate Finance Leadership Alliance; Climate Policy Initiative; Cities Climate Finance Leadership Alliance.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas
Artificial Intelligence, and its impact on urban development	Agata Data	Amazon Web Services.	Private Sector	Colombia	Americas
Best urban practices in Spain and Latin America publications on innovating and integrated urban experiences	UN-Habitat	Ministry of Housing and Urban Agenda Government of Spain; UN-Habitat Country Office Spain; University of Navarra.	United Nations	Global	Global
Beyond & between - launching the global compendium of Peri-Urban-Rural Linkages.	University of Manchester	Peri-urban Initiative; UN-Habitat (Urban Policy Platform); Manchester Urban Institute.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Building Inclusive Cities - Innovative Pathways to Inclusion through Technology and Youth Engagement	National Institute of Urban Affairs	MoHUA - Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs Government of India; UNRCO - United Nations Resident Coordinators Office ; UNICEF.	National Government	India	Asia
Cities Developing Solutions - Maruf (Marmara Urban Forum) Report	Marmara Municipalities Union	Play the City.	Local and Regional Government	Turkey	Asia
Cities for Adolescents - The NexGen Agenda	Wri India	Ecorys.	Civil Society Organization	India	Asia

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Cities for Children and Youth Knowledge Hub - A guided tour of resources you will need to make cities better for and with children	Save the Children International	Save the Children & Global Alliance - Cities4Children; World Vision; BYCS.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Civitas Novus - Bringing Urban Innovation to Scale	Secretariat of Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation	Institute for Urban Research, University of Pennsylvania; Guangzhou Institute for Urban Innovation.	Local and Regional Government	China	Asia
Decentralization as a Tool for Service Delivery and Development The Egyptian and Dutch Experience	Ministry of Local Development	VNG International; The World Bank.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Delivering inclusive cities through practical action. Launching the Global Action Report on Inclusive Design and Infrastructure in Cities.	Global Disability Innovation Hub	National Institute of Urban Affairs; Kounkuey Design Initiative KDI; Kota Kita.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Ecuador 2036 Sustainable Habitat Agenda (ahse 2036)	Ministerio de Desarrollo Urbano y Vivienda (MIDUVI)	Ministry of Urban Development and Housing of Ecuador (MIDUVI); German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ) – Agency Ecuador.	National Government	Ecuador	Americas
Empowering Children through Urban Policy and Legislative Decision-Making Processes	UNICEF	UNICEF; UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global
Everyday urban practices in Africa Disrupting global norms - Universities linking local realities and global policies	Technical University Berlin	Habitat Unit Technische Universität Berlin; ARUA Centre of Excellence for Urbanisation and Habitable Cities, CHSD University of Lagos; School of Architecture and Planning, University of the Witwatersrand.	Academia / Research	Germany	Europe
Facilitating Zero Emission Deliveries for Postal Services	The Energy and Resources Institute TERI	Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation.	Civil Society Organization	India	Asia
From living in a 15 minute city neighbourhood to a global approach to sustainable proximities, The Global Observatory of Sustainable Proximities.	Chaire ETI - IAE Paris Sorbonne	C40 Cities; UCLG; UN-Habitat.	Academia / Research	France	Europe
Inrede Notebooks - Urban Centers & Housing/ Cadernos Inrede - Centros Urbanos	Rede Brasileira de Institutos de Planejamento - InREDE	ONU-Habitat Brasil; GIZ - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit; Ministério das Cidades.	Local and Regional Government	Brazil	Americas
Just Urban Transitions and Shifting Labour Patterns	Regional Climate and Energy Project MENA Friedrich Ebert Stiftung	Stockholm Environment Institute.	Foundation	Jordan	Asia
Launch of the Methodological guide for the implementation of the participatory budget for participation and citizen engagement	International Observatory for Participative Democracy in Africa	International Observatory for Participative Democracy in Africa; Ministry of Urban Planning and Territorial Communities; African Union.	Civil Society Organization	Senegal	Africa
Launch of the National Construction & Demolition Waste Management Strategy and Dissemination of research report on Towards A Circular Economy Model Assessment of Factors Influencing Construction Waste Management Practices in Kenya.	national construction authority	National Environment Management Authority (NEMA); National Environment Management Council ; Rwanda Environment Management Authority (REMA).	National Government	Kenya	Africa

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Launch of the Pan African Action Plan for Active Mobility	Africa Urban Cycling Organisation	Transportation Growth Initiative; UNEP; UN Human Settlements Programme UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	Nigeria	Africa
Linking insights for local action and global relevance from scholarly publishing	SpringerNature	Nature Cities; School of Design, Shanghai Jiao Tong University; African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town.	Private Sector	United States of America	Americas
Malaysia Sdg Cities Network, Guidance For City Managers to Localise Sdgs	Urbanice Malaysia	UN-Habitat; UNESCAP - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific; IGES -The Institute for Global Environmental Strategies.	National Government	Malaysia	Asia
Mayors and Innovators Replicable Strategies for Local Political and Technological Change	Lincoln Institute of Land Policy	Columbia University Press; Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative INVITED.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas
National Urban Policy, The new constitution of urbanization in Egypt	General Organization for Physical Planning	UN-Habitat Egypt.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Policy support for urban climate change adaptation a deep dive assessment of the Knowledge Centre on Earth Observation (keco)	University of Twente	European Commission Joint Research Centre.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Presentation of the Book Summae Of Urban Legislation	CJUR International Association of Urbanistic Jurisprudence	UN-Habitat Regional Office for Latinamerican and the Caribbean; Instituto Brasileiro de Direito Urbanistico; Colegio de Jurisprudencia Urbanistica CJUR Internacional.	Civil Society Organization	Mexico	Americas
Report Launching on Digital Urban Governance	Asian Habitat Society	UN-Habitat China Office.	Civil Society Organization	China	Asia
Rhythms of Change Book Launch	World Urban Pavilion	The Daniels Corporation; Urban Economy Forum.	Civil Society Organization	Canada	Americas
Rising to the global challenge of finding Somewhere to Live	GPA	IHS Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies Erasmus University Rotterdam.	Private Sector	United Kingdom	Europe
Role of cultural and natural heritage in addressing polycrises and urban recovery	Heritopolis	UN-Habitat; OurWorldHeritage.	Academia / Research	France	Europe
Shaping the public space discourse with unheard, marginalized and young scholars	City Space Architecture	CAPS - Centre on African Public Space; UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	Italy	Europe
Shaping Urban Identities Strategies for Enhancing the Visual Image of Cities	National Organization for Urban Harmony	Ministry of Local Development (MOLD); Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research; UN-Habitat Morocco Office.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Sure Solutions, Knowledge Transfer for Sustainable Development of Urban Regions	Hafencity University Hamburg	Berlin Technical University; BORDA Germany; Technical University Lubeck.	Academia / Research	Germany	Europe
Sustainable Urban Regeneration Atlas - social value of urban regeneration	Universita Bocconi	UN-Habitat, Flagship Programme 1: Inclusive Communities, thriving Cities.	Academia / Research	Italy	Europe
Tactical interventions to transform behaviours - The case of Al Falah Village	Gehl Architects	Abu Dhabi Early Childhood Authority.	Private Sector	Denmark	Europe

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The Future of Oil Boom Towns in the Ecuadorian Amazonia A methodological guide for new urban development model in the Amazonia	CAF -banco de desarrollo de América Latina y el Caribe	Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
The how of urban transformations - Unveiling successful models of inclusive climate action and a toolbox for replication	United Nations University - Institute for Environment and Human Security UNU-EHS	Instituto Internacional de Medio Ambiente y Desarrollo - IIED-América Latina; Alliance for the Residencial Edgar Gayoso.	United Nations	Global	Global
Thriving Cities - Can the private sector help create sustainable urban environments	World Benchmarking Alliance	Takween Integrated Community Development.	Civil Society Organization	Netherlands	Europe
Tomorrows Cities	Institute for Risk and Disaster Reduction University College London	Kounkuey Design Initiative KDI; United Cities and Local Government.	Academia / Research	United Kingdom	Europe
Towards Climate-Responsive Urban Planning	The Energy and Resources Institute TERI	GIZ India; Egyptian Syndicate of Engineers Dakahlia Branch.	Civil Society Organization	India	Asia
Towards Zero-Waste and Circular Cities Key Findings of the Food Waste Index Report 2024	UNEP	UNEP; The Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP); Brazil Ministry of Environment and Climate Change.	United Nations	Global	Global
Understanding Urban Development in Azerbaijan from Post-Soviet Towns to Smart Cities	The State Committee on Urban Planning and Architecture of the Republic of Azerbaijan	ADA University.	National Government	Azerbaijan	Asia
Unlocking the potential of data and digitalization for SDG implementation in Africa	UNECA - United Nations Economic Commission for Africa	UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global
Urban Ephemera	Urbandose	Traveling circus of urbanism; For Cities.	Private Sector	India	Asia
Urban Futures, Launching Methodologies for Sustainable Planning and Infrastructure Development in Migrant Hosting Cities	BASE Foundation	BASE — Basel Agency for Sustainable Energy; UN-Habitat.	Foundation	Switzerland	Europe
Walking and cycling - A Path to unlock the potential of active mobility to meet climate goals and make our cities more liveable	European Cyclists Federation	European Cyclists' Federation; Walk21 Foundation; Fia Foundation.	Civil Society Organization	Belgium	Europe

Voices from cities

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"Latin American and Caribbean Network of Biodivercities" from urban diplomacy to green finance.	CAF -banco de desarrollo de América Latina y el Caribe		Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
A tale of three cities new urban planning visions along the new Silk Road	The State Committee on Urban Planning and Architecture of the Republic of Azerbaijan	LEPL Spatial And Urban Development Agency; Tashkent City Administration; Baku General Directorate for Architecture and Urban Planning.	National Government	Azerbaijan	Asia
Accelerating sustainable development as a legacy of hosting mega events A journey from Barcelona & London to Brisbane	Brisbane City Council	IOC; Barcelona City Council; LDCC.	Local and Regional Government	Australia	Oceania
Adaptive Public Spaces Key Ingredients for Optimizing Public Space Activation, Safety and Accessibility	Architecture Department Faculty of Engineering Cairo University		Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Addressing homelessness is key to housing our future	Ruff Institute of Global Homelessness		Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Addressing Local Multilayered Vulnerability Hotspots in Cities to Build the Systemic Resilience of Communities, Infrastructure and Ecosystems	Adapt40 Ltd	Municipality of Kerkennah Islands.	Private Sector	United Kingdom	Europe
Advancing Waste Management Solutions for Sustainable Development	Ministry of Local Development	UN-Habitat Egypt; Alexandria city ; Dakar City.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Affordable Living for All Food Security in Selangor Cities	Majlis Perbandaran Kuala Selangor	The Food and Agriculture Organization; UNEP; The Association of Southeast Asian Nations ASEAN and Food Security.	Local and Regional Government	Malaysia	Asia
African Just Urban Futures: Digitalization for Local SDG Action	Civil Society Urban Development Platform	Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Kenya Office FES Kenya ; County Government of Nakuru.	Civil Society Organization	Kenya	Africa
Ai for People-Powered Cities Transforming the Future with Data-Driven Precision	Riyadh Region Municipality	Arab Urban Development Institute; Secretaria Distrital de Planeacion; Secretaria Distrital del Habitat.	Local and Regional Government	Saudi Arabia	Asia
Arab Urban Future - Harnessing Local Action and Voluntary Local Reviews for Sustainable Cities	City of Agadir	UN-Habitat + SDG Localization Unit; UN-Habitat + Regional Office for Arab States.	Local and Regional Government	Morocco	Africa
Brics+ Urban Climate Agenda Report - Flagship Initiative for a More Sustainable World	The Government of Moscow	Guangzhou Institute for Urban Innovation.	Local and Regional Government	Russian Federation	Europe
Bridging the Emissions Gap Showcasing successful climate action from leading cities in Wwfs One Planet City Challenge	WWF Cities	University of Southern Denmark, Dept of Technology and Innovation.	Civil Society Organization	Sweden	Europe
Building a Sustainable and Circular Future. Lebanon-Germany Dialogue on Integrated Solid Waste Management	Wuppertal Institut	Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy; UN-Habitat.	Academia / Research	Germany	Europe
Building Better Lives through Sustainable and Inclusive Social Infrastructure	UNDP-United Nations Development Programme	Arup.	United Nations	Global	Global

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Building Better Together - Participatory Planning with and for Urban Communities	SECO	United Nations University - Institute for Environment and Human Security UNU-EHS; UN-Habitat Egypt.	National Government	Switzerland	Europe
Building Resilient Cities: Bridging the Climate Mitigation and Adaptation Gap	Urban Planning Department - Aswan Governorate	Agadir city tbc; Dhaka North City Corporation; National Institute of Urban Affairs.	Local and Regional Government	Egypt	Africa
Challenges of Mdbs for supporting countries and cities on sub-national finance, including green climate finance	African Development Bank	Asian Development Bank ADB; European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Cities Action Plans to empower Green & Sustainable Urbanism	Ministry of Housing Utilities and Urban Communities	New urban communities Authority (NUCA); European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Cities as agents of change Peer-to-peer Exchange on People-Centred Smart Cities for an Open, Secure and Inclusive Digital Future	French Network of Urban Planning Agencies - French Partnership for Cities and Territories	UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	France	Europe
Cities at the Forefront Multi-level governance for Urban Water Resilience. Insights from innovative municipal flood and drought risk management.	Deltares	Global Resilient Cities Network; UN-Habitat; Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management of the Netherlands.	Academia / Research	Netherlands	Europe
Cities Leading Innovative Solutions Towards Climate Resilience in Migration Contexts	Watershed Task Group	UNEP; IOM.	Civil Society Organization	Cameroon	Africa
Cities Learning Together Creating the conditions for the successful integration of displaced people into their host community	Cities Alliance	European Commission; Intergovernmental Authority on Development IGAD; Cities Alliance.	United Nations	Global	Global
Cities on the move towards future proof Urban Mobility Planning, engaging voices from Ghana and Costa Rica	Sahel and West Africa Club OECD	VNG International; Greater Accra Passenger Transport Executive ; UNGL.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Collective Housing and Safe Sanitation in the Face of the Climate Crisis - Pathways to Climate Responsive and Resilient Urban Communities	Freshwater Action Network South Asia	Asia Coalition for Housing Right ACHR; Huairou Commisison HC; SOHAG.	Civil Society Organization	Nepal	Asia
Common Space Policies Redefining Urban Dynamics for Inclusive Metropolitan Growth	Swahilipot Hub Foundation	Heritopolis Society; Universidad de Guadalajara; Area Metropolitana de Barcelona.	Foundation	Kenya	Africa
Computational urban science and artificial intelligence - Trends, opportunities and challenges	The University of Hong Kong	World Urban Planning Education Network; CIDOB Barcelona Center for International Affairs - Global Cities Programme; Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.	Academia / Research	China	Asia
Conclusions of World Habitat Day. Queretaro, Mexico, 2024.	Government of the state of Queretaro	Secretariat of Urban Development and Public Works.	Local and Regional Government	Mexico	Americas
Connective Theo-Practical Approach For A Better Urban Future	Arab Urban Development Institute	UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	Saudi Arabia	Asia
Cost of urban transformation in the Coastal Cities of Southern Albania	Ismail Qemali University of Vlorë (Universiteti "Ismail Qemali" Vlorë)	Vlora Municipality ; University of Vlora Ismail Qemali.	Academia / Research	Albania	Europe

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Cost-effective and fair adaptation. Implementation challenges and financing opportunities for nature-based solutions in cities	European Investment Bank	University College London; GIZ Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Critical Design Futures - Reimagining Urban Spaces and legacies through Critical Design and transnational practices	American university in Cairo	The American university in Cairo; University of Salford; Fundacion Placemaking Mexico.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Downtown and Placemaking Action for Sustainable Urban Development	National Organization for Urban Harmony	Ministry of Housing and Utilities and Urban Communities; TU Berlin Habitat Unit department of international urbanism and design; UN-Habitat- Cairo.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Empowering Cities for the Digital Age - Lessons from a data-driven resilience approach in Southern African Cities and towns	Open Cities Lab	UK Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office; GIZ Namibia; United Nations Innovation Technology Accelerator for Cities - UNITAC Hamburg.	Civil Society Organization	South Africa	Africa
Empowering Communities for Sustainable Urban Transformation Integrating Local Action with Urban Acupuncture.	Alexandria University	Universitt Kassel - Fachgebiet Stadterneuerung und Planungstheorie; ANRUR;	Beirut Arab University Faculty of Architecture - Design & Built Environment.	Academia / Research	Egypt
Empowering local communities and private sector as active agents of the economic development	FAMSI	Ministry of Local Development; United Cities and Local Governments; UNDP.	Local and Regional Government	Spain	Europe
Empowering Youth for Peaceful Urban Futures - From Next Generation Urban Governance to Inclusive and Safe Cities	Strong Cities Network	Peace In Our Cities Network; United Cities and Local Governments; LSE Cities.	Civil Society Organization	United Kingdom	Europe
Engage, Innovate, Empower, Redefining Urban Planning Through Inclusive and Collective Community Engagement	Damietta Governorate	General Organization for Physical Planning.	Local and Regional Government	Egypt	Africa
Financing Cities of Tomorrow- Localizing City Funding	Aga Khan Agency for Habitat	UN-Habitat; Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO.	Civil Society Organization	Tajikistan	Asia
Forging Resilient, Healthy, and Equitable African Cities - 2nd Regional Urban Forestry Gathering Ahead	City of Johannesburg and Centre on African Public Spaces	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO); UN-Habitat Global Public Space Programme.	Local and Regional Government	South Africa	Africa
Fostering Climate Action at Local Level Learning from Ambitious Cities and Strong Partnerships	City Climate Finance Gap Fund	Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy; The World Bank; European Investment Bank.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
From emergency to sustainable local development. Success factors in housing and settlements solutions in urban crises.	Habitat for Humanity International	Catholic Relief Services; Impact Initiatives.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
From Good Housing to a Sustainable Future for Cities and Communities, Successful Experience Sharing from the World	Fuzhou Municipal Peoples Government	Center of Science and Technology and Industrial Development Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development PRC; China State Construction Engineering Group Co., Ltd. CSCEC ; Urban Planning Society of China (UPSC).	Local and Regional Government	China	Asia

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Futures Thinking and Strategic Foresight for Climate-Resilient and Inclusive Urban Development	UN Futures Lab - Executive Office of the Secretary-General	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GIZ GmbH; UN-Habitat; C40 Cities Finance Facility.	United Nations	Global	Global
Gender And Social Inclusion In African Cities - Gamechangers for Urban Sustainability	World Resources Institute	French Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs; City Hub and Network for Gender Equity CHANGE Cities.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Going Glocal - Experiences of Sdg localization for multilevel and multiregional partnerships	Ministry of the Environment	UN-Habitat; City of Tampere.	National Government	Finland	Europe
Green and Thriving Neighbourhoods in Latin America and around the World	C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group	IDB Inter American Development Bank; Politecnico di Milano.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Healthy Cities by Design – Building a One-Health Future	International Federation of Landscape Architects	International Society for Urban Health; International Association of Horticultural Producers AIPH; Eurometropole of Strasbourg.	Civil Society Organization	France	Europe
Housing Our Future Bridging Divides, Challenges, and Innovations Across Cultures	University Gustave Eiffel	UN-Habitat ROAS; Prince Sultan University Saudi Arabia; Tunisian National Housing Company.	Academia / Research	France	Europe
How can we be stronger together. Public and Private sector practitioners collaborating for a strong affordable housing sector in Africa	African Union for Housing Finance		Civil Society Organization	South Africa	Africa
How to Bring Solutions to Small Cities A Case Study from Carmo do Cajuru, Brazil	Institute of Planning and Management of Cities - IPGC		Civil Society Organization	Brazil	Americas
Improving quality of life in cities through sustainable and E V ready transport investments	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development	The Energy and Resources Institute TERI; Transport for Cairo; Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Innovating Urban Governance Unlocking Evidence-Based Strategies for Smart Sustainable Cities	Ministry of Housing Utilities & Urban Communities	New urban communities Authority NUCA; The World Bank; ICLEI Africa.	National Government	Egypt	Africa
Integrated Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience for Cities	Asian Development Bank ADB	United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction UNDRR; United Cities and Local Governments.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Integrated Land Use planning and housing in high value forest successful cases from the Amazonia and Africa	UN-Habitat		United Nations	Global	Global
Kuwait Urban Developments	Public Authority for Housing Welfare	SSH.	National Government	Kuwait	Asia
La agenda del desarrollo sostenible de la Universidad de Guadalajara. El caso de la Cumbre Internacional del Habitat.	Universidad de Guadalajara		Academia / Research	Mexico	Americas
Learning from community voices, universities and knowledge processes - Experiences across Africa	IUSD Cairo	University of Manchester; Slum Dwellers International; Namibia University of Science and Technology.	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa

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Learning from Sdgs localization efforts to shape the post-2030 Agenda	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	UN-Habitat; United Cities and Local Governments.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Leaving no one behind, Africa's journey of localising SdGs	UCLG Africa	UN-Habitat; UNECA - United Nations Economic Commission for Africa.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Local actions through inclusive urban planning practices for sustainable development of cities	Lamki Chuha Municipality	People Committee of Tam Ky City.	Local and Regional Government	Nepal	Asia
Local Perspectives - Cities Leading the Way to Achieving the Sdgs	City of Tallinn	European Commission's Joint Research Centre; UNEP.	Local and Regional Government	Estonia	Europe
Local solutions for an integrated River Resource Management for urban Development with Dibamba River in Douala - Cameroon	Arcadis Shelter Program Un-Habitat Partnership International New Town Institute	City of Douala; Urban and Rural Land Development and Equipment Authority - MAETUR.	Private Sector	United States of America	Americas
Local Solutions, Global Impact The Role of Small and Medium Cities in Accelerating Climate Action	Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy	Covenant of Mayors Europe; United Cities and Local Governments; Covenant of Mayor in Sub-Saharan Africa.	Local and Regional Government	Belgium	Europe
Localising Nature-based Solutions for Climate Resilient Cities Global Dialogue	Faculty of Engineering Ain Shams University	Glasgow City Council; The Centre for Sustainable Development, University of Strathclyde; United Nations University - Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS).	Academia / Research	Egypt	Africa
Localization in Action. Promoting the Italian approach to Sdgs localization through policy coherence for sustainable development	Ministry of Environment and Energy Security of Italy	Ministry of the Environment and Energy Security; UN-Habitat, Urban Practices Branch; Piemonte Region.	National Government	Italy	Europe
Making Affordable and Adequate Housing a reality for all - Addressing Urban Challenges Together	Association of German Cities	UCLG-Eurasia ; Connective Cities; Association of German Cities.	National Government	Germany	Europe
Making Room for Urban Growth - Urban Expansion Planning in Ethiopia, Uganda and Somalia	New York University Marron Institute of Urban Management	Cities.	Academia / Research	United States of America	Americas
Measuring and enhancing well-being in urban environments - lessons learned from the Quality of Life Initiative pilot cities	City of Vancouver	Panelists from five additional cities in Australia French Polynesia Mexico Saudi Arabia and Serbia; UN-Habitat Quality of Life Initiative.	Local and Regional Government	Canada	Americas
Mechanisms for trust-building and empowering youth to participate in urban decision making for increased safety and well-being of young people.	Global Infrastructure Basel Foundation	Cordilleran Youth Center; Huasipichanga; SERAC-Bangladesh.	Foundation	Switzerland	Europe
Mobilizing local financial resource a prerequisite for achieving the SDGs	United Cities and Local Governments	UCLG Africa.	Civil Society Organization	Morocco	Africa
Moving drug policy reform forward at the local level	Global Commission on Drug Policy	UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	Switzerland	Europe
Moving from Mass to Sustainable Tourism. A Step Closer to Achieving Green Resilient Cities	General Organization for Physical Planning	UN-Habitat Egypt; Tourism Development Authority.	National Government	Egypt	Africa

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Moving Towards Zero Waste Cities - Planning and Designing Sustainable Cities	3R Waste Foundation India	Zero Waste Foundation; Algramo; All India Institute of Local Self Government.	Civil Society Organization	India	Asia
Multilateral city diplomacy in crisis situations improving multilevel governance	Global Cities Hub	Cites Unies France; UN-Habitat.	Civil Society Organization	Switzerland	Europe
Nature-based solutions in urban planning: from permaculture gardens to climate-resilient cities	Greater Irbid Municipality		Local and Regional Government	Jordan	Asia
Navigating Womens Land Rights in the Arab Region	Lund University	Impact Circles eV; Lund University.	Academia / Research	Norway	Europe
Partnerships for sustainable cities	E35 Foundation for International Projects	Reggio Emilia Municipality; Pemba Municipality; City of Milan.	Foundation	Italy	Europe
Periferia Viva: Uniting Governments and Territorial Players for a Groundbreaking Advancement in Urban-Environmental Enhancement at the Outskirts.	Ministerio das Cidades		National Government	Brazil	Americas
Planning and Investing in Cities for Nature and Nature for Cities	Global Environment Facility	The World Bank; UNEP.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Planning mega cities in the age of digital technology	Seoul Institute	Institut Paris Region; Housing and Building National Research Center-HBRC; Marmara Municipalities Union.	Academia / Research	Republic of Korea	Asia
Port Cities An Opportunity for Inclusion, Sustainability, and Prosperity in Latin America	ONU-Habitat	UN-Habitat.	United Nations	Global	Global
Redefining centrality intermediate cities and peripheral cities on the path to urban sustainability.	Municipio Esteban Echeverria	United Cities and Local Governments; Diputacin de Barcelona Barcelona Provincial Council; MERCOCIUDADES.	Local and Regional Government	Argentina	Americas
Reimagining cities through nature	Metropolis	Marmara Municipalities Union.	Civil Society Organization	Spain	Europe
Rejuvenation of Slums and Local Economic Interventions for Nigerian Cities	Institute for Environment Research and Development Nigeria	Centre for Housing and Sustainable Development University of Lagos Nigeria; Global Affairs and Sustainable Development Institute Osun State University Nigeria and Nigerian Institute of Town Planners Abuja; Benue State Government of Nigeria.	Academia / Research	Nigeria	Africa
Shared Wheels, Shared Spaces Impact of pilot Bikesharing and Shared-Streets Initiatives	Cairo Governorate	ARCADIS; ITDP; DROSOS.	Local and Regional Government	Egypt	Africa
Slum Activism	House of Arts Association	Ministry of Sports Recreation Arts and Culture.	Civil Society Organization	Zimbabwe	Africa
Subnational reporting to accelerate sustainable development at all levels.	Gobierno de la Provincia de Cordoba	Tajikistan; UN-Habitat.	Local and Regional Government	Argentina	Americas
Tale of Three Cities - Addressing Homelessness, Slums, and Adequate Housing in Los Angeles, Nairobi, and Cairo	Simon Ha Housing Solutions	National Alliance for Civic Work and Development; Ministry of Social Solidarity Egypt; American Institute of Architects.	Private Sector	United States of America	Americas

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The experience of Eastern European and Central Asian Countries in Transition Localizing the Sdgs.	Tbilisi City Hall	UN-Habitat.	Local and Regional Government	Georgia	Asia
The New Normal - Becoming market makers & matchmakers, leveraging own source revenues - Experience from Mauritania & Senegal	FMDV - Global Fund for Cities Development	Region of Nouakchott; UrbaMonde; Urbasen.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
The New Urban Agenda, Cities Leading the Way	UN-Habitat		United Nations	Global	Global
The Urban Activist, Not just dreamers but doers	The Urban Activist	Dreamtown; Very Nile.	Civil Society Organization	Germany	Europe
Transforming Urban Futures - Data, Climate Justice, and Community Co-Production	Pan African Climate Justice Alliance	Habitat for Humanity Africa Area Office; Africa Population and Health Research Centre.	Civil Society Organization	Kenya	Africa
Ukraine Path to Recovery, Economic Growth and Housing Reformation in Kharkiv and Mykolaiv	UNECE - United Nations Economic Commission for Europe	One Works Foundation; Housing Initiative for Eastern Europe; Fondazione Housing Sociale.	United Nations	Global	Global
Unlocking Finance for Resilient Cities	Inter-American Development Bank	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group.	Inter-Governmental Organization	Global	Global
Urban-Rural Linkages: Experiences from Bamako to Ouagadougou, Mali.	Grand Bamako	City of Ouagadougou.	Local and Regional Government	Mali	Africa
Visions For Rebuilding Sudan - Inclusivity, Resilience, Participatory Placemaking	University of Khartoum Faculty of Architecture and Sudanese Urban and Regional Planning Association	Omdurman Islamic University; University of Rwanda; Khartoum State Roads and Bridges Authority.	Academia / Research	Sudan	Africa
Voices from the Medina of Tunis	Mdinti		Civil Society Organization	Tunisia	Africa
Voices of the Good Enough Transformation	Culturans	OCAD University; Trans Europe Halles.	Civil Society Organization	Mexico	Americas
Walkability for equitable and resilient urban futures how Brazilian cities are promoting walkability in unequal contexts	Instituto Caminhabilidade	Walk21 Foundation.	Civil Society Organization	Brazil	Americas
Women advocating for Gender-Inclusive, People-Centered Urban Development- Our Cities, Our Homes	Huairou Commission	Takween Integrated Community Development; University of East London; Center For Egyptian Womens Legal Assistance CEWLA.	Civil Society Organization	United States of America	Americas
Young Minds, Big Ideas. Accelerating Youth-Led and Localised Climate Action in Urban Africa	Plan International	YOUNGO; Children and Youth Constituency for Sustainable Communities.	Civil Society Organization	Denmark	Europe
Youth voices and innovations on climate resilient urban food and water systems	Hivos	RUAF ; Global Infrastructure Basel Foundation; Dreamtown.	Civil Society Organization	Netherlands	Europe

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