



Online regional media briefing (Latin America and the Caribbean) for the thirteenth session of the World Urban Forum (WUF13)

Nairobi and Bogotá, 9 April 2026 – The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) will host an online media briefing for Latin America and the Caribbean as part of preparations for the thirteenth session of the World Urban Forum (WUF13), to be held in Baku, Azerbaijan, from 17 to 22 May 2026 under the theme “Housing the world: Safe and resilient cities and communities.”

The briefing will provide regional media with an overview of WUF13 priorities, programme, and the relevance of the Forum to Latin American and Caribbean urban challenges, including housing, inequality, climate resilience, and sustainable urban development. The session will also highlight opportunities for regional stakeholders to engage with WUF13 and contribute to global urban dialogues.

Media participants will join an online webinar.

WHAT: WUF13 online media briefing for Latin America and the Caribbean

WHEN: 12:00–13:00 (Bogotá time), 13 April 2026

WHERE: [Online \(Teams webinar\)](#)

SPEAKERS:

- **Elkin Velásquez**, Regional Director, UN-Habitat Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean
- **Fernanda Lonardoní**, Head, UN-Habitat Office for Mexico, Cuba and Central America
- **Rayne Ferretti**, Head, UN-Habitat Brazil Office
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