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CPR Subcommittee

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WUF9 demonstrated again being the World's Premier Conference on Cities and Sustainable Urbanization and the second largest United Nations conference



The World Urban Forum's brand is a healthy and powerful platform for UN-Habitat

The number and diversity of participants at WUF has increased since the first World Urban Forum held in Nairobi in 2002. WUF9 is the most attended and diverse WUF ever.



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WUF9 Context

- First one after the **adoption of the 2030 Agenda**
- First one after the **adoption of the New Urban Agenda**, including the Quito Implementation Plan
- First one to provide **inputs on the reporting** of the implementation of the New Urban Agenda
- First one to **build on the legacy of the Habitat III** Conference and its preparatory process, as well as the lessons learnt of previous WUFs
- New **stakeholder's approach** applied by organizing 15 Stakeholder's Roundtables as well as Grassroots Assembly in order to stress the importance of the stakeholders roles and involvement
- Innovation applied in the **capacity building dimension** of the Forum
- Platform to incorporate the **inputs of multilateral organizations and stakeholders** into the reporting of the implementation of the New Urban Agenda (aligned with Op. 167 of the New Urban Agenda)
- **Second time in Asia Pacific region** (WUF4 was held in Nanjing in 2008)



Why WUF9 has been so relevant?

The **most participatory United Nations non-legislative Forum**

- More than 75 per cent of the participants are stakeholders.
- Nearly 45 per cent women.
- Around 40 per cent under the age of 32 years old.
- The most attended and diverse ever with participants from 164 countries.

WUF as the **legacy of the Habitat III success** and a key platform to gather inputs on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda.

Role of the New Urban Agenda as a tool and an **accelerator for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals** recognized

UN-Habitat's **unique role as lead and focal point for sustainable urban development** in coordination with all levels of governments, stakeholders and the United Nations system.



WUF9 outcomes

Strong focus on arrangements and actions for implementation of the New Urban Agenda, with many delegates and participants emphasizing the importance of public, private and civil society cooperation in order to fully achieve the New Urban Agenda.

- Adoption of the **Kuala Lumpur Declaration**, based on the reports of the main sessions during WUF9.
- Several **outcomes summaries** on 30 March 2018, 30 May 2018 and 30 July 2018 based on all the information presented during WUF9 and events reports received until those dates, as well as other substantive information received from events reports and events organizers and WUF9 impact from participants.
- Final **report in October 2018 to be submitted for the 27th Governing Council** with all the comprehensive information until that date, including recommendations for the UN-Habitat next strategic framework 2020-2025.

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The Kuala Lumpur Declaration on Cities 2030

The Kuala Lumpur Declaration on Cities 2030 is the outcome document of the WUF9 as a result of inclusive multi-stakeholder discussions represented by national, subnational and local governments, parliamentarians, civil society, older persons, women, youth, children, persons with disabilities, grassroots groups, indigenous peoples and local communities, private sector, foundations and philanthropies, international and regional organizations, academia, professionals and other relevant stakeholders.

It aims to **localize and scale up the implementation of the New Urban Agenda as an accelerator to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.**

<http://wuf9.org/kuala-lumpur-declaration/>



WUF9 Outcomes – Key enablers

Key enablers capable of unlocking positive transformation for the implementation frameworks of the New Urban Agenda:

1. Strengthening the **role of subnational and local governments**, urban governance systems that ensure continuous dialogue among different levels of government and participation of all actors, and increasing multilevel and cross-sectoral coordination, transparency and accountability.
2. Encouraging **sharing of creative solutions and innovative practices** which enable a shift in mindset necessary to drive change.
3. Building **inclusive partnerships and strengthening age and gender responsive environments** to ensure meaningful participation and engagement at all levels.
4. Adopting **integrated territorial development**, including through appropriate urban planning and design instruments, to ensure sustainable management and use of natural resources and land, appropriate compactness and density, diversity of uses, and revitalization of cultural heritage.
5. Deploying **monitoring and reporting mechanisms**, including assessment of impacts, that encourage best practices for effective policy making.



WUF9 Outcomes – Actionable recommendations

The Kuala Lumpur Declaration on Cities 2030 calls for accelerating the New Urban Agenda implementation by promoting and adopting:

- **frameworks for implementation**, inclusive platforms for dialogue amongst all stakeholders, integrated territorial development and diversified means of implementation;
- **governance and partnerships** that engage all levels of governments to ensure co-responsibility in activities, and that promote multi-stakeholder constituency-based coalitions to use the New Urban Agenda to respond to urban crises; and
- **innovative solutions** that foster a culture of creativity, implement monitoring and data collection including of community-generated data, create an enabling environment through municipal and other financing; and adopt accessibility and universal design as core principles.

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WUF9 at a glance

- ❑ **The most attended ever**
Over **23,000** attendants, being **19,237** of them participants.
- ❑ **The most diverse ever**
Attendees from **164** different countries and 90% of LDCs.
- ❑ **The one with more ministers participating**
More than **100** ministerial-level delegations
- ❑ **The one with more participation from the UN system**
Participation of **36** United Nations system organizations.
- ❑ **The one with more gender balance in terms of participation**
More than 45% of the attendants were women.

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More than 70 main sessions



6 High-level Roundtables



1 Ministers Roundtable



8 Dialogues



5 Assemblies



15 Stakeholders Roundtables



21 Special Sessions



10 Plenary Meetings



3 Urban Talks



1 Urban Journalism Academy

More than 500 events to share action-oriented implementation



143 Networking events



168 Side events



60 Training events



30 Listen to cities events



33 ONE UN events



33 Launch of publications



17 Press Conferences



93 Exhibition Booths

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WUF9 Technical Visits

The WUF9 Technical Visits were a result of Malaysia's engagement with various urban stakeholders in the light of the WUF9 theme Cities 2030 Cities for All: Implementing New Urban Agenda. More than 1,500 delegates experienced and learned more about Malaysia's urban wellbeing concept and its urbanization process.



Social Enterprise



Urban Solution and Innovation



New Urban Development



Urban regeneration



Urban Housing



Urban Greenery



Urban Heritage



Urban Rural

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WUF9 City Events and Urban Village



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Achievement of WUF9 Expected Accomplishments

EA 1 - **Awareness is raised** on sustainable urbanization among stakeholders and constituencies, including the general public;

EA 2- **Collective knowledge** on sustainable urban development is improved through inclusive open debates, sharing of lessons learned and the exchange of urban solutions, good practices and policies;

EA 3 - **Coordination and cooperation** is increased within the UN system and with different stakeholders and constituencies for an effective implementation of the New Urban Agenda;

EA 4 – **Substantive and strategic inputs from multilateral organizations**, national and subnational governments and stakeholders, are provided into the reporting of the implementation of the New Urban Agenda (aligned with Op. 167 of the New Urban Agenda)

EA 5 – **UN-Habitat profile is raised and corporate effectiveness** improved, with specific focus on implementing and subsequently feed the 6 years Strategic Plan and biennial Work Programme and Budget



WUF9 Impact

Strategic Results Framework and results based approach

The results based management applied since the WUF6 has been applied throughout the process from planning, implementation and collection of Forum outcomes.

Local, national and global impact

Series of surveys at the different levels, including economic impact.

Lessons learned process

Compilation of lessons learned from the participants, as well as from the host country and UN-Habitat.

Mid-term and long-term impact

Impact measured not only after the event but after three, six, nine months as well as one year.

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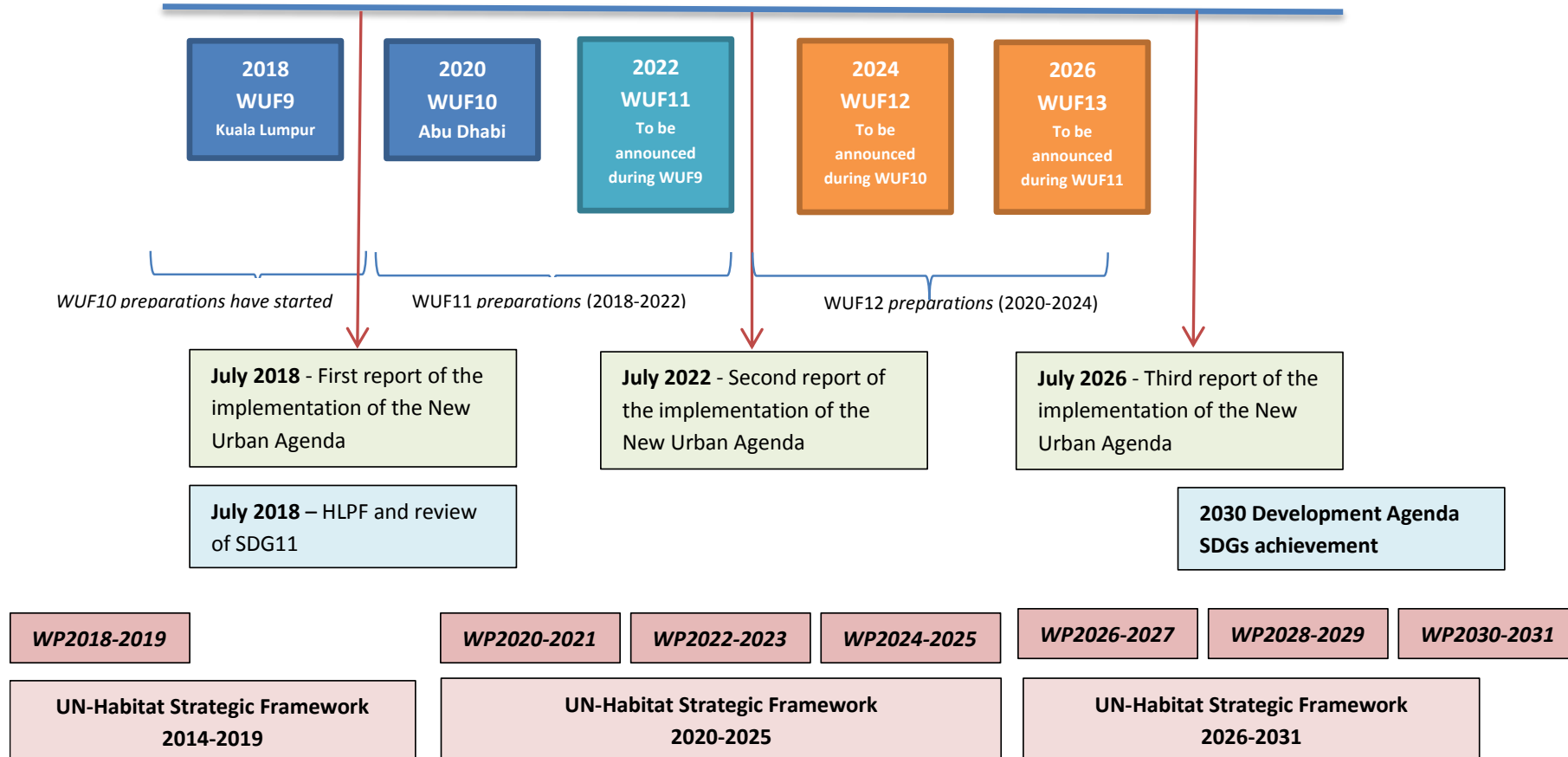
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WORLD URBAN FORUM ROADMAP 2018-2026



WUF9 in the media

5,700 media articles referred to UN-Habitat and the World Urban Forum between 1 and 17 February 2018

Find an overview on key media reports here:

<https://unhabitat.org/media-centre/unhabitat-in-the-news/>

Social Media at #WUF9



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705'000 impressions
19'400 profile visits



#NewUrbanAgenda
trending Hashtag
in the USA



WUF9 Partners promoting #WUF9



More information

Kuala Lumpur Declaration

<http://wuf9.org/kuala-lumpur-declaration/>

Daily summary - daily bulletins of the Forum

<http://wuf9.org/daily-bulletins/>

Archived photos from WUF9

<http://wuf9.org/media-centre/gallery/>

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