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The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of the Sultanate of Oman to UN-Habitat as Chair of the regional group of Asia Pacific States and has the honour to propose for the Group's consideration a consultative meeting with the Executive Director of UN-Habitat to be held in a hybrid format on **Wednesday, 23 March 2022 from 11.00 hours to 12.30 hours East Africa Time in Conference Room 9 at UNON**. The consultative meeting is being held in preparation for the upcoming session of the Executive Board which is scheduled to be held from 29 to 31 March 2022.

The objective of the meeting is for the Executive Director of UN-Habitat to hear from the Regional Group including guidance on the following:

1.	Expectations from the Regional Group with respect to sustainable urbanization and UN-Habitat's role	What issues related to sustainable urbanization are of key concern for the Regional Group and what does it expect from UN-Habitat?
2.	Expectations for the upcoming session of the Executive Board to be held from 29 to 31 March 2022	What would the particular Regional Group like to focus the discussion on, in the upcoming session Executive Board?
		What are the contentious issues the Regional Group foresees at the upcoming session of the Executive Board?
		How could the funding situation of UN-Habitat be improved?
3.	The high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda to be held on 28 April 2022	What topics/thematic discussions would be of interest to the Regional Group at the upcoming high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda?
		How can the national reporting on the New Urban Agenda be improved? What support do Member States need?
4.	The eleventh session of the World Urban Forum to be held from 26 to 30 June 2022	What topics/thematic discussions would be of interest to the Regional Group at the upcoming eleventh session of the World Urban Forum?

Accordingly, the provisional Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Opening of the meeting by the Chair of the regional group;
2. Expectations from the Regional Group with respect to sustainable urbanization and UN-Habitat's role;
3. Expectations for the upcoming session of the Executive Board to be held from 29 to 31 March 2022;
4. The high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda to be held on 28 April 2022;
5. The eleventh session of the World Urban Forum to be held from 26 to 30 June 2022;
6. Any other matters, including closing remarks.

UN-Habitat welcomes any additions to the proposed agenda and the objective of the meeting. In addition, UN-Habitat would also be grateful to receive any questions from the Group in advance for the

meeting and these may be sent to the Secretary of the Governing Bodies through the email: chris.mensah@un.org with a copy to unhabitat-rgb@un.org.

The United Nations Human Settlements Programme avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission of the Sultanate of Oman to UN-Habitat as Chair of the regional group of Asia Pacific States of the assurance of its highest consideration.

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