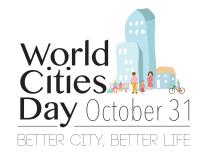






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#### Introduction

Every October UN-Habitat and partners organize a month of activities, events and discussions on urban sustainability. In 2018 Urban October celebrations began with World Habitat Day on 1 October on the theme of *Municipal Solid Waste Management*. The global observance was hosted by the Government of Kenya in Nairobi. Urban October ended with the World Cities Day global observance being celebrated in Liverpool, United Kingdom on 31 October with the theme *Building Sustainable and Resilient Cities*. Local, regional and national authorities and partners were encouraged to organize activities and register them.

This year was the most successful Urban October on record with a total of 61 countries marking World Habitat Day and World Cities Day, and hosting events to celebrate Urban October.



#### **World Habitat Day, 1 October 2018**

World Habitat Day is celebrated on the first Monday of October. This year's theme – *Municipal Solid Waste Management* was chosen as the amount of waste produced by individuals is growing daily and often costs local authorities a large proportion of their budget. Poor collection and disposal of solid waste leads to serious health problems from uncontrolled dump sites and burning of waste. It also results in polluted air and water.

A change in public attitudes to minimize waste and stop littering, the regularization of informal waste collectors, increased recycling and reuse sufficient funding and solid waste planning including adequate landfill sites, can help cities to improve the current state of solid waste management and save money, turning them into *Waste-Wise Cities*.

#### Global Observance of World Habitat Day, Nairobi, Kenya

The global observance of World Habitat Day on 1 October was held at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, home to UN-Habitat's headquarters, and was co-hosted by the Government of Kenya. In his keynote address at the global observance, President Uhuru Kenyatta of Kenya stated: "Solid waste management poses one of the greatest challenges of our time in a rapidly urbanizing world," and commended the Executive Director of UN-Habitat for her commitment and passion in addressing the challenge.

President Kenyatta presented five winners of the UN-Habitat Scroll of Honour with plaques to recognize their work in improving urban communities. The winners were: Mr. Isaac Muasa of Kenya, chair of the Mathare Environmental Conservation Youth Group, for inspiring community-wide involvement; Xuzhou City, Jiangsu Province, China, for innovative waste management; the National Action Plan for the Implementation of the New Urban Agenda in Cuba 2017-2036 by the Institute of Physical Planning; the late Dr. Mona A. Serageldin of the Institute for International Urban Development, U.S.A., for her research (award presented to her son); and the Mayor of Surabaya city, Indonesia, Tri Rismaharini for implementing inclusive city regeneration.



President Uhuru Kenyatta of Kenya and UN-Habitat's Executive Director Maimunah Mohd. Sharif look at art made from rubbish. The Executive Director, Maimunah Mohd. Sharif announced the launch of a call for action for *Waste Wise Cities*, which was discussed further in the afternoon by a panel of experts. "This calls for cities, towns and communities around the world to rethink, reduce, recycle, refuse and reuse waste," she said.

Other speakers during the morning session included Mr. James Wainaina Macharia, Cabinet Secretary of the Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing, Urban Development and Public Works; Prof. Peter Anyang' Nyong'o, Kisumu County Governor and Mr. Mike Mbuvi Sonko, Nairobi City County Governor while representatives from Japan's Ministry of Environment and the World Bank spoke in the afternoon. A technical discussion on *Waste Wise Cities* followed with representatives from civil

society, Nairobi City County Government, NGOs and UN agencies.

The day included story-telling, exhibitions by various Kenyan artists using trash in innovative ways and a fashion show of pieces all made from trash. The event was well covered in the media with the Executive Director taking part in a live breakfast show on the Kenyan NTV channel, two pull out spreads in *The Nation* and *The Standard*, a press conference, a large group of Chinese media who interviewed the Executive Director, a spot on Kenya's Citizen television and a feature on solid waste in Congo by Al-Jazeera featuring UN-Habitat.

## Global World Habitat Day Celebrations

Some 80 cities around the world held events to mark World Habitat Day. These included:



#### Luanda, Angola:

In the Angolan capital, Luanda, it was celebrated with a conference at the Brazilian-Angolan Cultural Center (CCBA) attended by the Secretary of State for Urban and Territorial Development, architect Angela Mingas, the UN Resident Coordinator, Dr. Pier Paollo Balladeli, representatives of UN agencies in Angola and members of civil society. A project to promote urban resilience in the city's informal settlements through a system of sanitation and solid waste management was presented at the meeting.

A television Debate was organized by UN-Habitat in partnership with MINOTH, on TV Zimbo on the theme of World Habitat Day and Municipal Solid Waste Management on 2 October.Representative of MINOTH, Architect Ana Julieta, representative of the Ministry of the Environment, Mr. Karélia Costa, representative of civil ociety Mr. Vladimir Russo, and head of UN-Habitat Angola, architect Ana Bragança, took part in the discussion on waste management in Angolan cities, the Strategic Plan and the importance of an integrated municipal solid waste management system that involves urban planning which was chaired by Director of Foreign Affairs from MINOTH rchitect Ana Julieta.



#### Maseru, Lesotho:

The Lesotho Ministry of Local Government and Chieftainship partnered with UN-Habitat to host an Urban Breakfast in Maseru on the World Habitat Day theme of Solid Waste Management with over 50 participants including primary school pupils.

At the event, the Minister for Local Government and Chieftainship Habofanoe Lehana, emphasized the importance of evaluating environmental awareness and called attention to Vision 2020 where "Lesotho has committed itself to keeping its waste generation rate below 150,000 tons per year, and to recovering 70 per cent of such waste by the year 2010, 75 per cent by 2015 and 79 per cent by 2020."

The Mayor of Maseru City Ms. Mpho Moloi called on participants to "all unite to keep Maseru clean - waste management is everybody's responsibility".



#### **Guinea-Bissau:**

UN-Habitat hosted Urban Breakfast at the Government Palace of Guinea-Bissau to validate the Bissau 2030 Strategic Plan. This was a follow-up on an activity developed by UN-Habitat Urban Planning and Design Lab in April 2018. Among 48 participants taking part in the discussions were representatives of international organizations, government agencies, and NGOs. The meeting was addressed by Minister of Public Works, Construction and Urbanism, Mr. António Óscar Barbosa Congressman Mario de Sami and Thomaz Ramalho, Marcella Guarneri and Christelle Lahoud. from UN-Habitat -

World Habitat Day was also celebrated in Guinea Bissau with a two-hour radio debate on municipal solid waste management, broadcast by two radio stations in the region of Bissau Rádio Difusão Nacional and Rádio Jovem. UN-Habitat, the Ministry of Public Works, Construction and Urbanism, the Secretary of State for the Environment, the Municipality of Bissau and the Waste Recycling Cooperative CRELIX participated in the debate aimed at sharing information about the current situation on municipal solid waste management in Bissau with the local population. The Minister of Public Works, Construction and Urbanism gave a speech on national public television and other outlets which recognized the importance of sustainable urbanization in Guinea-Bissau's development.



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#### São Tomé and Príncipe:

A conference was held on 2 October involving staff members of the Housing and Real Estate Institute (IHI) and UN-Habitat. The Country Manager of UN-Habitat in São Tomé and Príncipe, Cesaltino Vaz Fernandes and the IHI Director, José Maria Barros spoke on transformations in urbanization patterns during recent years, changes in housing standards, changes in energy consumption patterns and challenges in urban sustainability.



#### Maputo, Mozambique:

World Habitat Day was celebrated on 5 October with a panel discussion in which partners from Maputo Municipality, Ministry of Land, Environment and Rural Development, JICA, and the civil society organization participated in *Let's Do It Mozambique*, a discussion on how to improve solid waste management in municipalities in Mozambique.

The panellists who included representative of JICA, Mr. Aoki Hideaki; National Direction of Environment representstive Mr. Joao Cipriano,; and Director of Water and Sanitation in Maputo and of the National Association of the Waste Managers, Mr. Joao Mucavele, exchanged views in an open discussion moderated by Dinis Zacarias Dinis of UN-Habitat.

Panelists concluded that municipalities should follow the example set by Maputo and establish a legal framework for solid waste management. The y recommended that waste management be budgeted for, institutional capacities and knowledge about solid waste should be developed, civil society should be engaged in education and awareness raising campaigns, and solid waste management should be included in the national agenda, including by promoting better liaison between central government and the municipalities.



#### Cabo Verde:

Some 40 new urban Ambassadors were certified and joined the UN-Habitat Cabo Verde Urban Ambassadors' family. The ambassadors were selected from the arts, sports, social activism, social service, sociology, architecture, journalism, research and teaching and youth entrepreneurship



#### New York, USA:

1.4 million people face hunger in New York City alone while around 14 million tons of food waste costs almost \$400 million to ship to incinerators or landfills annually. A conversation between restaurant chefs and policy makers to explore and rethink food and its waste, connecting practice with policy, was organized jointly by the James Beard Foundation, FAO and UN-Habitat



#### **Bahrain:**

UN-Habitat and the Ministry of Housing hosted a a seminar on Housing Policies to celebrate World Habitat Day.



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#### Palestine:

The UN-Habitat Country Programme Document for Palestine (HCPD) 2018-2022 was launched on 2 October.

The document will help policy makers and urban planners to analyze, design and implement interventions in sustainable urbanization, spatial planning, local governance, and urban management that are responsive to the needs of the Palestinian people. The HCPD will be implemented through the Special Human Settlements Programme for the Palestinian People (SHSPPP) which recognizes the need to be nimble and innovative by promoting multilateral and bilateral partnerships with other UN entities and development partners. The SHSPPP has been instrumental in developing a coherent spatial planning system across Palestine.

#### Tehran, Iran:

UN-Habitat and the Ministry of Roads and Urban Development celebrated World Habitat Day on 29 September 2018, concurrently with the eighth Conference on Housing Policies in Iran. Chief of UN-Habitat office in Tehran Mr. Siamak Moghaddam, delivered a keynote speech on this year's theme Managing municipal solid waste.

UN-Habitat Tehran Urban and Regional Planner, Ms. Sara Habibi introduced National Urban Policy and its framework at a workshop conducted by UN-Habitat on The role of National Urban Policy in the Urban Development **Process**. UN-Habitat consultant for the National Urban Policy diagnostic report, Ms. Giti Etemad presented the results of current phase of the study for discussion.

The Environment Management and Sustainable Development Center, Waste Management Organization, Tehran Research and Planning Center, Communication and International Affairs Center Tehran Municipality, and the Urban Regeneration Company of Iran partnered with UN-Habitat to commemorate World Habitat Day 2018.

A Faculty Member of the University of Tehran, Mr. Mohammad Ali Abdoli, Director of the Human and Sustainable Environment Association Ms. Mahdieh Pourshad, and a representative of the Waste Management Organization of Tehran Municipality Mr. Reza Naghavi participated in a panel discussion on solid waste management.

Representatives of the UNICEF, WFP, FAO and UNAIDS in Iran attended the WHD celebrations.



#### **Bangladesh:**

Un Bangladesh, World Habitat Day celebrations started with a Grand Rally on 1 October organized by the Ministry of Housing and Public Works (MoH&PW). The rally was launched by the Minister and attended by all heads of institutions under the Ministry and more than 700 representatives of community organizations, academic institutions, NGOs and civil society. The National Housing Authority (NHA) and the Real Estate Housing Association of Bangladesh (REHAB) supported the rally, providing promotional material including caps, t-shirts and banners.

As part of WHD celebrations, a booklet written by professionals and academics was published by the Ministry of Housing and Public Works with messages from the President and Prime Minister, the Minister and Secretary of the Ministry of Housing.

The Director-General of the Rural Development Academy Mr. Abdul Matin presented a keynote paper on Municipal Solid Waste Management and

a special thematic seminar was organized by the Urban Development Directorate (UDD).





#### New Delhi, India:

On 1 October Hindustan Prefab Limited (HPL) and UN-Habitat organiszd a campaign to to raise awareness among schoolchildren from marginalized communities on the importance of good solid waste management practices and the need to build sustainable habitats by keeping their environment clean.

Union Minister of State (I/C) Mr. Hardeep Puri said the *Swachhata hi Sewa* drive is an effort to involve people in the campaign by making it a *Jan Andolan* (People's movement). He emphasized that youth are the driving force behind the success of the campaign, adding that Keeping our villages, towns and cities clean is everyone's responsibility.

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India and UN-Habitat, HUDCO, BMTPC, NHB and other organizations joined hands to celebrate World Habitat Day 2018 in New Delhi on 5 October. with the participation of schoolchildren, youth, government institutions, UN agencies, community organizations, the private sector and academic institutions.



UN Resident Coordinator, Mr. Yuri Afanaseiv highlighted the potential benefits of the circular economy as a pathway to solid waste management and the USD 700 billion opportunity it presents for India. Union Minister (I/C), Mr. Puri, stressed that the Government of India is prioritizing green and resilient urbanization with solid waste management as the fulcrum around which many urban schemes are built. UN-Habitat Country Manager, Mr. Hitesh Vaidya said there is need to 'rethink' waste management.

- Sustainable Development Goals and Urban Local Bodies – The future we want A guidance note on actions that cities can undertake to contribute to achievement of Sustainable Development Goals prepared by UN-Habitat India was launched. A theme paper written by UN-Habitat on Municipal Solid Waste Management and Creating Waste-wise Cities was published in Shelter magazine, a HSMI HUDCO publication.
- Paintings by physically challenged children on the theme A clean city is the nation's pride were showcased and winners celebrated during the event.

A short video on innovation and best practice in solid waste management depicting notable achievements in *Waste to Wealth* by the city of Ambikapur, Chattisgarh was screened.ed



#### Fukuoka, Japan:

UN-Habitat and Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation organized a workshop on Municipal Solid Waste Management and SDGs in Fukuoka to mark the World Habitat Day. The workshop aimed at sensitizing citizens on the challenges of waste management and drawing attention to some ways to solve the problems of waste. The workshop was attended by Secretary-General for Japan Parliamentarians on Habitat Mr. Makoto Oniki,



#### Lao PDR:

UN-Habitat worked and the Department of Housing and Urban Planning in the Ministry of Public Works and Transport coordinated awareness raising activities in schools to mark World Habitat Day.

The campaign also targeted the public with Municipal Solid Waste Management awareness banners displayed in five locations across the capital city of Vientiane, and awareness campaigns and seminars being conducted in nine districts.



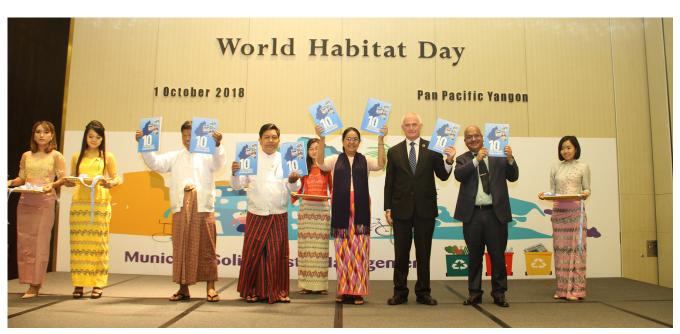
#### Yangon, Myanmar:

UN-Habitat organized World Habitat Day celebrations in Yangon on 1 October. Senior government officials, heads of UN agencies, and representatives of development agencies were among the guests who witnessed the launch of the *10 Years in Myanmar-UN-Habitat*, a publication on a decade of work and contributions made by UN-Habitat to the Government and people in Myanmar.

The UN Resident Coordinator Mr. Knut Ostby said World Habitat Day provides a unique opportunity to focus international attention on key issues surrounding sustainable urbanization, human settlements and improving urban living conditions. He called for renewal of the commitment to worktogether for an integrated, holistic management of the urban environment for the benefit of the people, country and the planet.

Director General U Min Htein stated that "Myanmar is committed to full implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the urban dimensions of the SDGs," adding that "UN-Habitat has been one of Myanmar's main partners in our attempts to ensure sustainable urban development. UN-Habitat is a valuable partner in our goal to provide sustainable and inclusive urban development, with housing for all at its centre".

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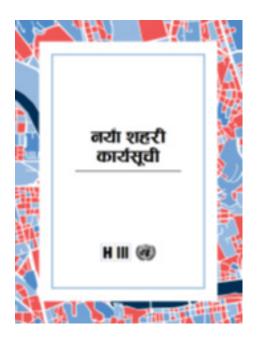


#### Nepal:

In Nepal, UN-Habitat organized a conference on Municipal Solid Waste jointly with the Ministry of Urban Development and 20 partner organizations from civil society, academia and the private sector. The Secretary of MoUD, Mr. Deependra Nath Sharma, Chairman of Municipal Association of Nepal, Mr. Ashok Byanju, Senior Human Settlement Officer from the Regional Office of UN-Habitat Mr. Bruno Dercon, and Joint Secretary Mr. Shivahari Sharma took part in the workshop. The Nepali translation of the New Urban Agenda was launched at the workshop.

Mayor of Waling Municipality Mr. Dilip Pratap Khand outlined positive initiatives by his municipality which has established sustainable Solid Waste Management systems and adopted 3R principles. The Project Director of DUDBC highlighted gaps and challenges in the sector and called for collective action. From the private sector, Mr. Nabin Maharjan presented the winwin situation in Kathmandu Valley where the value of waste is recognized and harvested. The programme was attended by more than 24 mayors and deputy mayors of municipalities.

UN-Habitat and Lumanti, CIUD and SABAH also launched a clean-up exercise at Bungamati which will be held every Saturday. Bungamati is a heritage settlement devastated by the 2015 Earthquake. UN-Habitat and its partners are engaged in reconstruction work with the support of the SWITCH Asia Programme of the European Union.



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#### Manila, Philippines:

UN-Habitat participated in the launch of the Green Green Green programme by the Department of Budget and Management. The programme aims to make the country's 145 cities more livable and sustainable through the development of public open spaces. Human Settlements Officer, UN Habitat Asia-Pacific Regional Office, Mr. Bernhard Barth introduced advocacy for green public spaces as a key component of global development frameworks such as the Sustainable Development Goals and the New Urban Agenda, and as a key programme of UN-Habitat. He also introduced the principal concepts behind Urban October and World Habitat Day, highlighting how Municipal Solid Waste Management, and the call to cities to become *Waste-wise Cities* impact development and maintenance of public spaces.



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#### Islamabad, Pakistan:

Urban October 2018 celebrations in Pakistan began with a UN-Habitat organized site visit to the first Integrated Resource Recovery Centre on 1 October by the Federal Minister for Climate Change, Mr. Malik Amin Aslam, the Director-General of the Ministry of Climate Change, Mr. Irfan Tariq senior government officials, representatives of civil society, university students, and the local community.

Federal Minister for Climate Change, Ministry of Climate Change expressed his appreciation for efforts made to establish the IRRC in Islamabad and remarked that community-based waste management approaches offer a 'best solution for cleaner Pakistan". He said that the *Clean Green Pakistan Project* is being launched to change the people's behaviour so that they would be compelled to think green. In his briefing to journalists, the minister highlighted the Centre's 85 per cent recycling rate and suggested that thre model be replication and up-scaled to other areas in the country.

The Director-General presented UN-Habitat, the Akhtar Hameed Khan Memorial Trust who are managing the facility, and the National Cleaner Production Center with tokens of appreciation for their successful collaboration.



#### Kurunegala, Sri Lanka:

The Minister for Housing and Construction Mr. Sajith Premadasa who was the chief guest at the national celebrations opened a model village named *Jagath Nivahangama* (World Habitat Village). Mr. Premadasa told the audience of over 2,500 people that the Ministry of Housing and Construction which organized the event has been at the forefront of World Habitat Day celebrations since 1986. He expressed appreciation to all agenchies and institutions for their dedication in implementing Sri Lanka's Shelter Development programme.

In her message read by Dr. Talpahewa, the UN-Habitat Executive Director said World Habitat Day provides a unique opportunity to focus international attention on key issues surrounding sustainable urbanization, human settlements and improving urban living conditions. "This year's theme - Municipal Solid Waste Management is particularly critical as the amount of waste produced by individuals, communities, businesses, institutions, markets and factories continues to grow tremendousl,y and tackling our waste management challenges requires imagination and innovation."

The event featured song and dance by local school children, presentation of prizes to school children for winning art and essay competitions, and presentation of house ownership documents to residents of the model village.



#### Hanoi, Vietnam:

UN-Habitat and the Academy of Managers for Construction and Cities organized a forum on *Innovative Technological Solutions for Solid Waste Management towards a Green and Low-Carbon Economy within* the framework of *Vertical Integration and Learning on Low Emission Development (V-LED) Project* supported by the International Climate Change Initiative and funded by the German Ministry of Environment.

Ministry officials, development agencies, donors, research agencies, community organizations, the private sector and city officials participated in the workshop which discussed Innovative practices in waste treatment, technological applications, and ways to strengthen local ownership and commitment.

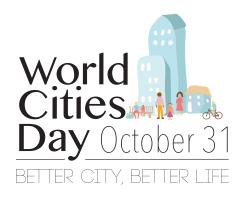




## World Cities Day, 31 October 2018

World Cities Day, marked on 31 October each year, aims to promote global urbanization, enhance cooperation among countries and cities in meeting opportunities and addressing challenges of urbanization, and contribute to sustainable urban development. The overall World Cities Day theme is *Better City, Better Life* and the 2018 theme was *Building Sustainable and Resilient Cities* with the main event taking place in Liverpool, UK.

Over the last decade, natural disasters have affected more than 220 million people, causing USD \$100 billion of economic damage per year. Without significant investment to make cities more resilient, natural disasters may cost cities worldwide three times that amount a year by 2030 and climate change may push millions of urban residents into poverty. Hundreds of cities and communities are struggling with the impact of the crisis – including conflicts, natural disasters, failures in governance and economic stress.



## Global Observance of World Cities Day, Liverpool, United Kingdom

At the 2018 global observance of World Cities Day in Liverpool, over 200 participants from 15 countries were in attendance, including ministers, mayors, national and local government representatives, academics, civil society, journalists and business people. The countries represented were: Algeria, Bahrain, Belgium, Brazil, China, Ghana, India, Japan, Lebanon, Mozambique, Nepal, Nigeria, Poland, UK and the USA.

Four thematic workshops took place as well as two live video link-ups to celebrations in Glasgow and the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris, and the opening of a China week exhibition for the general public. The day culminated in an evening reception and formal dinner with live music.

At the opening the Mayor of Liverpool, Joe Anderson joined the UN-Habitat Executive Director and the head of the China delegation, Ms. Tian Sainan, Deputy Secretary General, Party Committee of Urban-Rural Construction and Communication Work of Shanghai Municipality, to launch the latest edition of the Shanghai Manual. The UN-Habitat Executive Director read a message from the UN Secretary-General who called on everyone to work together to build sustainable and resilient cities that provide safety and opportunities for all.

The UN-Habitat Executive Director said investing in resilience was not only a human right and necessity, but also a wise investment. Distinguished speakers included the President of the Court of H.R.H. the Prime Minister of Bahrain Shaik Hussam bin Khalifa Al Khalifa and the Algeria Minister of Housing, Urban Planning and Cities Mr. Abdelwahid Temmar.



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Four breakout sessions took place on different aspects of resilience – Economic (panelists from Liverpool, Accra, and Birmingham, Alabama, UK Department for International Development and University of Cardiff) Social (Brazil, Maputo, Cities Alliance, Huairou Commission), Environment (Manchester, Bahrain, Shanghai, ActionAid) and Disaster Mitigation (Sendai, Byblos, Nepal).

Liverpool also saw the celebration of China Week, Xuzhou Day and Shanghai Day.

Several Chinese journalists attended World Cities Day and local media including Radio Merseyside and nine Russian journalists were brought in by Thomson Reuters Foundation.

## Global World Cities Day Celebrations



#### **Guinea-Bissau:**

UN-Habitat organized the *Urban October Cultural Contest*, a competition based on the SDG 11, targeting 7th, 8th and 9th grade students in public and private schools in Bissau who were asked the "What can we do to change our city?". A manual on the rules of the contest and a poster on SDG 11 were published on social media and promoted on radio.

The classes that won worked with the local artist Ismael Hipólito Djata, helping him to present the answer to the question painted on a wall in the city centre. The three winning schools were announced on October 31 and awarded certificates signed by UN-Habitat, as well as teaching and cleaning material.



#### Maputo, Mozambique:

There was a roundtable discussion on *Building Sustainable* and *Resilient Cities – Coastal Cities Adaptation Project* at the Brazil-Mozambique Cultural Centre (CCBM) in Maputo to raise awareness about the importance of building more resilient cities. Discussion centred on the Coastal Cities Adaptation Project (CCAP) to increase climate resilience by incorporating climate change perspectives into planning processes in coastal cities, as well as on an affordable and accessible housing project being implemented by UN-Habitat in Pemba, Ilha de Mozambique and Quelimane.

The Vice-Minister of Public Works, Mr. Victor Tuacale emphasised the negative impact of climate change, particularly the damage to housing and water and sanitation infrastructure and services in urban areas. Noting that 60 per cent of the population is estimated to live in risk prone areas, he said implementing the New Urban Agenda and SGD 11 are at the top of the development agenda in Mozambique.

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#### São Tomé and Príncipe

Urban Resilience and Sustainable Development Objectives were the themes of discussion at a workshop convened by UN-Habitat. Dean of Lusíada University São Tomé and Príncipe, Mr. Fernanda Pontifice, delivered a keynote address titled *My city of before and today. From the City that we inherit to the city we leave to future generations* 

, A specialist in High Intensity Workforce Activity, Mr. Tomás Vera Cruz made a presentation on on Urban Planning, while the manager of a UN-Habitat project in Príncipe, Mr. Cláudio Torres Roje, spoke on *Sustainability and urban resilience; the relationship between city management and ODS.* The National Institute of Housing and Real Estate, the Directorate of Public Works and Urbanism, and the Geographic and Cadastral Services and the District Chambers participated in the discussions.



#### Cabo Verde:

The president and city council of Praia received an award for their effforts in making the city inclusive, resilient, safe and sustainable and for implementing the New Urban Agenda.

UN-Habitat coordinator Ms. Janice da Silva said the symbolic recognition of the CMP, the largest chamber in the country aimed to encourage the President and his council to implement the NUA. The Mayor of Praia, Oscar Santos led a team of UN-Habitat and Praia Municipal Council staff on a visit to project sites at Castelão, Miradouro and drainage works in Ponta d'água, Calabaceira, Fontom and Fundo Tira Chapéu to mark World Cities Day theme *Building resilient and sustainable cities*. The visit was led by



#### Luanda, Angola:

World Cities Day was celebrated during the National Urban Forum organized by the Ministry of Housing and Territorial Development and opened by the Provincial Governor of Luanda, Mr. Adriano M. de Carvalho and the UN Resident Coordinator, Dr. Pier Paolo Balladeli. A presentation by UN-Habitat Human Settlements Officer, Mr. Thomaz Ramalho on *The New Urban* Agenda in Angola and the Challenges for the Country was followed by one on the *Importance of Territorial Planning and Urban Planning in Local State Administration* by the Minister of Land Administration and State Reform Mr. Adão de AlmeidaAn international panel on *The International Experience Implementing* the New Urban Agenda featured Architect and Urbanist, president of Housing Development Company of the Federal District (CODHAB), Gilson Paranhos, Housing Policy Adviser, UN-Habitat, Architect Fernanda Lonardoni, and architect Representative of UN-Habitat Angola Ms. Ana Bragança, The overall themes of the Forum were listed in the *Declaration of Luanda*, a proposal with recommendations for the 5th National Urban Forum - Angola 2018.



#### New York, USA:

As a follow up on the food waste dialogue between chefs and policy makers, a *Rethink Food/Waste Lunch* took place at the UNHQ Delegates Dining Room with a menu of locally sourced ingredients creating links with local farmers and limiting waste. Leftovers from the lunch provided meals for those in need in New York City through a local partner, *Rethink Food NYC*. The seasonally and sustainably inspired menu encouraged guests to work towards achieving the UN's Sustainable Development Goals of No Poverty, Zero Hunger and Sustainable Cities and Communities.





UN Habitat and The Public Authority for Applied Education and Training (PAAET) organized a seminar on capacity building and sharing of expertise on creating resilient cities, sustainable housing, renewable energy, and sustainable behavior.





#### Tehran, Iran:

UN-Habitat, and the Deputy of Urban Planning and Architecture, Ministry of Roads and Urban Development of Islamic Republic of Iran, the Urban Regeneration Company of Iran and Vartan House held a dialogue session on *Resilient Cities* to mark World Cities Day 2018. The session included discussions on climate action, informal settlements and slums upgrading, economic and social resilience, governance and decentralization and urban crisis.



#### **Dhaka, Bangladesh:**

The Urban Development Directorate organized a day-long thematic event on resilience to celebrate the World Cities Day on 4 November at the House Building Research Institute Campus. Twelve papers were presented on five different topics relevant to the theme. The event was attended by more than 400 participants.



#### Xuzhou, China:

The Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, the People's Government of Jiangsu Province and UN-Habitat jointly hosted the China 2018 World Cities Day national celebration in Xuzhou City on 31 October 2018. Deputy Minister of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, Mr. Ni Hong, Vice Governor of Jiangsu Province, Mr. Fei Gaoyun, and Un-Habitat Director of External Relations Ms. Christine Musisi, who represented UN-Habitat Executive Director delivered speeches at the opening ceremony.

Mr. Ni Hong noted the importance of the theme *eco-city, green development* saying that in the process of rapid urbanization in the world, many cities are facing problems of population expansion, housing shortage, air pollution and traffic congestion that restrict sustainable urban development. He stressed that China attaches great importance to urban ecological construction and green development, insists on placing ecologically livable urban construction in a prominent position, and strives to improve the quality of urban human settlements.

In recent years, Xuzhou City has practiced the development concept of Lucid waters and lush mountains are invaluable assets and in 2018, it won the UN-Habitat Scroll of Honour Award.

Mr. Ni Hong encouraged all cities and communities around the world to follow and actively participate in World Cities Day activities, jointly promote implementation of the New Urban Agenda, build ecologically sustainable cities, promote green development, and work together to build better cities.

In a video message introduced by Ms. Christine Musisi, UN-Habitat Executive Director Ms. Maimunah Mohd Sharif thanked the Chinese government for promoting the establishment of World Cities Day by the UN General Assembly and commended China's achievements in sustainable urban development over the past 40 years.

Other events and activities held during the 2018 China national observance of World Cities Day included the World Cities Day Forum, themed exhibitions, urban cultural exchanges and related supporting activities. Officials, mayors, experts and scholars from more than 10 countries including China, Germany, Singapore and South Africa attended the event and strengthened exchanges and cooperation and promoted urban green around the annual theme of *Ecological City, Green Development*. The development of resilience was discussed. The Chinese version of the Shanghai

Handbook - 21st Century Urban Sustainable Development Guide 2018 Annual Reportwas launched at the event and the Urban Green Development Xuzhou Initiative was issued to global cities.







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#### India:

India: UN-Habitat India participated in a high-level Cities and Regions *Talanoa* Dialogues Workshop with the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Government of India and ICLEI South Asia to mark World Cities Day. UN-Habitat Country Programme Manager, Mr. Hitesh Vaidya read the World Cities Day message from the UN-Habitat Executive Director to workshop participants.

World Cities Day 2018 was observed in India with an Urban Café on 'River for Habitat' organized by National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Government of India, and UN-Habitat in a multi-stakeholder event. The Urban Café reviewed the relationship between the river and water bodies and urbanization and the urban agenda in a policy dialogue with stakeholders from academia, civil society, and local, state and central governments.

Speakers highlighted the importance of urban river rejuvenation and river basin management considering that 97 cities and towns in India are located along river banks. Water issues connect all the SDGs. A panel discussion on *River and Economy* raised the critical question on what economic benefits can be obtained from a healthy river, and explored the valuation system required to assess economic value of the river. Panelists agreed that a healthy river was vital for a healthy economy. Another panel discussion on River and City focused on the need for an integrated approach to city and river planning and management with long term thinking and participation from all stakeholders. "Bring environment to the heart of urban planning" was the key message from the session. The final panel discussion on River and People deliberated on connecting people and rivers. Identifying citizen champions and engaging communities on formalized engagement platforms was underscored as essential for maintaining healthy rivers.

The closing session highlighted there need to build the capacity of Urban Local Bodies and engage them in urban river management.

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#### Hanoi, Vietnam:

The Department of Climate Change, Ministry of Natural Resources and UN-Habitat organized a *Taloana Dialogue* on urban and subnational climate actions. The National Determined Contributions of Vietnam submitted to the UNFCCC, the Plan of Implementation of the Paris Agreement, and important contributions by cities and subnational governments in achieving these targets were discussed by participants who included senior ministry officials, development partners, donors, and city representatives from Hanoi, Thanh Hoa, Can Tho City and Ho Chi Minh City.

The event provided an opportunity to showcase good practices using a *market place* technique.

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#### Madrid, Spain:

The Sustainability Observatory presented the *Sustainable Cities in Spain 2018, according to the SDGs* Report. UN-Habitat opened the event with a presentation on World Cities Day and representatives of the Ministry of Public Works, Housing and Transport and the High Commission for the 2030 Agenda (of the Spanish Government) participated in a round table discussion.

The ETSAM-UPM (Polytechnic University of Madrid) held a lecture on the opportunity for participatory and inclusive processes for slum upgrading by Former Secretary of Housing and Urban Planning of Chile and World President of the *Latin American Service*, *African and Asian Popular Housing* "SELAVIP Ms. Joan Mac Donald.

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#### **Barcelona, Spain:**

UN-Habitat and the Barcelona City Council celebrated World Cities Day in the community friendly Superblock or Superilla of Sant Antoni, offering activities for the whole family. Workshops were convened by AMB (Metropolitan Area of Barcelona), the provincial government of Barcelona (Diputació de Barcelona), Waters of Barcelona, Maresme Centre of Waste Treatment, Naturgy Foundation, Six Fingers, and Lavola.

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#### Paris, France

For the first time World Cities Day was celebrated at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris with a series of urban dialogues featuring mayors from UNESCO's International Coalition of Inclusive and Sustainable Cities (ICCAR), urban specialists and artists with a live link to the global observance in Liverpool. The discussion came up with creative ideas on how local authorities and residents can take the lead in weaving the sociocultural fabric in urban spaces. This was followed by a presentation by street artists, a live drawing session by the street artist Kouka, a musical performance by the xTend hip-hop dance company and an open dance event and a graffiti wall both open to the public.





# Urban October celebrations around the World

## **Africa**



#### **Angola**



#### **Urban October Calendar 2018**

UN-Habitat and the Ministry of Housing and Territorial Development (MINOTH) organized events to mark Urban October with key partners including the Brazil-Angola Cultural Centre who were the main sponsors of Urban October activities, ULA (Lusophone University of Angola) and the NGO Development Workshop. A joint press conference on Urban October was held on 27 September and the Urban October Calendar was disseminated on broadcast and social media.

#### ULA'S Architecture Forum - 1 to 5 October

The Lusíada University of Angola (ULA) organized the 13<sup>th</sup> Architecture Forum under the theme *City for all* as an oppointunity for reflection on the UN-Habitat mandate. For more than ten years, ULA has brought together Angola's academics and professionals. UN-Habitat's representative in Angola, Architect Ana Bragança delivered a a lecture on *Sustainable Development Goal 11 and the New Urban Agenda..* 

**Urban Cinema** In partnership with CCBA, UN-Habitat screened movies each thursday and convened debates on issues related to life in cities. The following films were sreened:

- 4 October Aquarius Moderated by architect Filomena of the Holy Spirit
- 11 October Citizen Jane Moderated by architect Allan Cain
- 18 October Big Cities Series Rio de Janeiro: Organic Favelas and Rio de Janeiro: Women Warriors - Moderated by architects António Gameiro, Ana Bragança and Miss Miriane Peregrino;

25 October- Pelourinho in Salvador, Bahia moderated by Cristina Pinto of Kalu Association, Nídia Klein of CCBA and architect Ana Bragança of UN-Habitat.

**Friday debates – Development Workshop Angola** Every Friday, the Development
Workshop (DW), a UN-Habitat partner convened debates on issues related to sustainable urbanization.

The opening debate was on the theme *Transformations in the urban informal economy* with director of the DW Allain Cain delivering the lecture. A researcher at the Center for African Cities, Ms. Sylvia Croese addressed the theme *Implementation of SDGs: Challenges and Opportunities*. An investigator, Mr. António Frank spoke on *Public Security in peri-urban zones of Luanda: Cazenga Study case* and the UN-Habitat representative in Angola, architect Ana Bragança addressed the theme *Public Participation in the Urbanization Process: An Extended Conceptualization and the Use of Technology.* Each lecture was followed by a discussion.

## Lecture "Art and Street: Meetings and Separations"

UN-Habitat Angola and the Brazilian-Angolan Cultural Center, in partnership with the Rui de Matos Foundation invited Brazilian artist and professor Diego Baffi to deliver a lecture on *Art and street: meetings and separations*. He discussed issues related to contemporary urban art in public spaces and presented his artistic performance as a traveling clown and as a performer on the platform *auandonde* on urban interventions in art (BR) since 2012 with performances in Brazil and 13 other countries in Africa, America and Europe.







#### Photographic Exhibition Modernism Luanda –

UN-Habitat Angola and the Brazilian-Angolan Cultural Center, in partnership with the Goethe Institute Angola organized an exhibition titled *Luanda's modernism*, a revisit of Hans Engels' photographs, and a reflection on the occupation of urban space through modernist architecture in the Angolan capital. The event took place at the Brazilian-Angolan Cultural Center's Gallery - CCBA.

The Reviver Campaign organized by the Center for Studies and Scientific Research of Architecture of the Lusíada University of Angola (CEICA) – ULA, and the Kalu Association aimed to educate the community on Heritage Preservation. Urban Walks were created within this framework. The *Slavery Route* is a walking tour of the old city of Luanda and the *Colonial Route* looks at architecture from the industrialization era in Luanda. This route is notable for the buildings that characterized the *duel* between the Modern Movement's Avant-garde Architecture and the Portuguese Conservative Architecture commonly referred to as the Portuguese Soft style.

#### **University Debates**

UN-Habitat and universities in Luanda jointly organized lectures on the theme *The Sustainable Development Goal 11 and the New Urban Agenda* The Department of Technological Sciences and Engineering – DTEC at the Metropolitan Polytechnic Institute of Angola – IMETRO invited UN-Habitat representative in Angola, Ms. Ana Bragança, to deliver a lecture on *Sustainable Urban Development* 

and Management of Municipal Solid Waste at the opening of the DTEC/IMETRO Technology Week..

#### **United Nations Day - 24 October**

United Nations Day in Angola was jointly organized by the Ministry of Foreign Relations (MIREX) and the United Nations in AngolaA photography exhibition showcased the work of Un-Habitat and the United Nations in Angola.









#### Puxa Palavra Debate

UN-Habitat and the Brazilian-Angolan Cultural Center invited architect Jaime Mesquita to interview architects Ilidio Dario and Belarmino dos Santos on the theme of Urban Density. Ilidio Daio was the winner of the *Imogestin* Urban Social Housing Award in Luanda in 2016 and is Head of the Urban Planning and Management Department of GTRUC.

Belarmino dos Santoswas appointed advisor to the Secretary of State for Urbanism and Housing in 2011 and subsequently became Head of Department at the National Direction of Territory Planning of the Ministry of Urbanism and Housing. In 2014, he started the Building Society for Architecture.

Jaime Mesquita taught at the Lusíada University and the Methodist University of Angola and established his ObA-Office building for Architects studio in 2013. As a member of the DOCOMO Angola Installing Commission he was curator of the *Cine-esplanada Flamingo* exhibition in the city of Lobito in 2015.

Urban Breakfast in Luanda The Urban Breakfast was organized by UN-Habitat at the Brazilian-Angolan Cultural Center - CCBA. Director of Foreign Affairs from MINOTH, Ms. Ana Julieta Pereira, UN - Habitat representative in Angola Ms. Ana Bragança, Mr. Ricardo Cardoso of the Africa Center for Cities, and Director of DW, Mr. Allan Cain addressed issues related to the National Urban Forum, Implementation of the New Urban Agenda, the urban planning of Luanda, and the Informal Economy in Luanda.

#### **Conference with Gilson Paranhos**

A Conference on *Land Regularization*, was held with Brazilian architect Gilson Paranhos, President of –the Housing Development Company of the Federal District CODHAB who discussed a project located among the neediest communities in the Federal District where the local government established service stations to verify the real needs of each community.

#### **Cabo Verde**



Partnerships were built with Public University Uni-CV, TCV, environmental NGO Quercus Cabo

Verde, Community Associations, primary and secondary schools, professionals and Praia City Administration in Capo Verde's capital. Local Urban Ambassadors organized activities on urban citizenship in different cities to raise awareness about the New Urban Agenda.

#### **Urban Walk in the City of Praia**

Veteran Urban Ambassador and a member of the Order of Engineers' Bastonary, Mr. Victor Coutinho led the urban walk as the tour guide.



#### Technical Workshop for the National Strategic Implementation of the New Urban Agenda

UN-Habitat and the Ministry of Infrastructure, Spatial Planning and Housing convened a workshop on implementation of the New Urban Agenda in Cabo Verdeattended by technicians from different public institutions, private sector and civil society.

During the three-day event, participants reviewed the implementation status of the New Urban Agenda and drew up a joint long-term vision (2016-2036) for development of a strategic plan for implementation of the New Urban Agenda.

#### **Open Dialogue on Urban Citizenship**

Urban ambassadors Elsa Furtado and Sidney Zego from the city of Calheta organized open dialogue sessions on urban citizenship with students from São Miguel High School, giving the students and a group of volunteers and educators the chance to reflect on SDG 11 on Sustainable Cities and Communities.

#### Urban Dialogue at Castelão

**Neighbourhood – 14 October** UN-Habitat and the Neighbourhood Center of Castelão convened an urban dialogue with community associations from Praia, bringing together more than 40 community associations. The dialogue was aimed at recognizing their role in the transformation of cities and communities and empowering community leaders to be peer educators and transformation agents.

During the event, UN-Habitat Coordinator, Ms. Janice da Silva handed out copies of the New Urban Agenda to each association.

#### Awareness Video in Partnership with Quercus Cabo Verde

UN-Habitat and Quercus Cabo Verde produced an awareness video on sustainable, safe, resilient and inclusive cities and communities which was broadcast by Programa Minuto Verde on Cabo Verde Television.

#### **Urban Dialogue**

Urban ambassadors Loide Monteiro and Victor Coutinho convened an urban dialogue with students from the Liceu Domingos Ramos School in Praia on sustainable urban development and the New Urban Agenda.

#### **UNI-CV's Donation Delivery**

UN-Habitat donated a collection of 400 publications to the University of Cabo Verde to mark two years since the HABITAT III Conference where the New Urban Agenda was adopted.

The publications cover themes such as Urban Planning, Urban Design and Spatial Planning; Urban Law, Land and Local Governance; Urban economics; Basic Urban Services; Housing and Improvement of Informal Settlements; Risk Reduction and Rehabilitation; Research and Capacity Development; Gender, Youth, Climate Change and Human Rights.

#### **Child Friend of Environment**

Urban ambassador Elizabete Bety held a workshop with 20 children from different schools in Praia to raise awareness about the importance of planting trees. Children learned the process of land preparation and the ideal way to plant trees, knowledge which will be taken back to their schools in the future.



## Celebration of the New Urban Agenda's Two Years Anniversary

UN-Habitat and the Fonton community in Praia celebrated two years since adoption of the New Urban Agenda at the HABITAT III Conference in Quito, Ecuador. Ermelinda, Davia and Lucy who are community activists were certified as urban ambassadors...



#### Urban Dialogue in Água Funda

Urban ambassadors Manuela, Lourdes and Firmino who are residents of the Água Funda neighbourhood held an urban dialogue with local residents on how to improve their living conditions which was attended by UN-Habitat and local partners. EA community association is being established under the Participatory Slum Upgrading Programme.

#### **Open Dialogue with Youth**

Urban Ambassador Henrique Varela, a sociologist and personal development coach held open dialogues on urban citizenship and social skills with adolescents and adults from different neighbourhoods of Santiago island.



A Uni-CV Geography and Spatial Planning student, Delvany De Pina won the Urban Photography Contest addressing the New Urban Agenda and SDGs organized by UN-Habitat and Uni-CV.

The university's Rector for Social Action, Student Affairs and University Culture, Mr. Mário Lima witnessed certification of the Urban Ambassadors.

#### **Democratic Republic of Congo**



UN-Habitat DRC Country Head of Programme Abel K. Walendom discussed the New Urban Agenda at a conference organized by the Congolese Society of Architects. Prime Minister Bruno Tshibala who was the keynote speaker introduced the theme *Architecture...for a better world and managing municipal solid waste.* 

**Student Briefing** UN-Habitat DRC Country

Head of Programme briefed senior students of the *Universite Libre des Pays des Grands Lacs* in Goma, North Kivu Province on the work of UN-Habitat and its global strategy on development of sustainable human settlements. He was speaking at the Socioeconomic Development Conference initiated by the *Club Droit International Humanitaire* with sponsorship from UNESCO-USA and Radio Okapi.

#### **Guinea Bissau**

## High-Level Meeting with the Municipality of Bissau

Held in the context of Urban October and validation of Bissau 2030 Strategic Plan, the meeting opened the door for a partnership between the Municipality of Bissau and UN-Habitat. Both parties agreed to sign a Memorandum of Understanding addressing priorities such as urban and territorial planning, urbanism, geographical information systems (GIS), urban mobility, cartography and cadastre systems, land management and financing instruments. Project management and implementation and mobilization of financial resources will also be covered.

#### **Urban Cinema**

The first Urban Cinema event in Guinea-Bissau featured the film *Extraordinary Waste*, a documentary that follows the work of plastic artist Vik Muniz at one of the largest sanitary landfills in the world, Jardim Gramacho on the outskirts of Rio de Janeiro. It explores the lives of those who sift through garbage for a living to produce portraits of the workers and learn about their lives. The film was followed by a debate led by UN-Habitat with participation by

four institutions that work with municipal solid waste management in Bissau - The Secretary of State for the Environment, the Municipality of Bissau, the Waste Recycling Cooperative CRELIX and the private company BLUFU.



#### **HCPD Validation Meeting**

The UN-Habitat Country Program Document (HCPD) for Guinea Bissau, a strategic document that will guide the programmes activities from 2018 to 2022 was validated at a meeting attended by General Directorates of the Ministries of Public Works, Construction and Urbanism, Housing and Urban Planning, Territorial Planning, Environment, and Regional Integration and Cooperation. The Minister of Public Works, Construction and Urban Planning

of Guinea-Bissau and the Executive Director of UN-Habitat will jointly sign the preface to the HCPD..

#### **Urban Walk**

A one-hour Urban Walk led by expert guides was a unique opportunity to experience the city, learn thehistory, social dynamics and urban trends of its different sites, and hear the stories behind diverse urban and architectural patrimony.

#### Kenya



Youth and children from various slums in Nairobi participated in a football tournament organized by UN-Habitat which also involved staff of UN agencies based in Nairobi. The Executive Director presented the winners' prizes.

#### Mozambique



#### Photo exhibition - Coastal Cities Adaptation Project

The round table discussions were followed by a cocktail party and photo exhibition in the Cultural Centre on the CCAP experience which was open to the general public.

#### Media presence

Two television channels promoted debates preceding the two main events organized by UN-Habitat. Two UN-Habitat experts were



covered on various websites as well as on social media platforms.etc.

**STV: 5 October 2018**: UN-Habitat architect Mr. Dinis Zacarias Dinis took part in a seven-minute live interview on waste management aired on the national broadcaster STV.

**TVM: 3 October 2018 -** The UN-Habitat chief of programme, Mr. Wild do Rosario was on TVM (Mozambique TV) for a 10 minute interview on World Cities Day, resilience and climate change adaptation in the country.

#### STV: November 8th 2018

Mr. Wild do Rosario was interviewed by national broadcaster STV on urbanization in Mozambique

#### **Rwanda**



#### **Kigali Urban Connect**

The 2018 *Youth Connekt Africa Summit* in Kigali, Rwanda which ran from 8 – 10 October provided a platform for youth in Africa to learn, share information and strengthen their skills and networks. UN-Habitat hosted an inaugural Urban Youth Connekt Session 2018 which provided an urban perspective on the Summit's discussion and recommendations on developing and empowering young leaders, innovators and entrepreneurs.

#### São Tomé & Príncipe



#### Radio debate on Príncipe Island

A radio programme on solid waste management discussed increased air and water pollution and the importance of environmental education in local schools. Participants included Marta Rodrigues of UN-Habitat São Tomé and Príncipe, Plácida Lopes from the Biosphere Reserve, and Vanessa Schmitt from the Príncipe Trust Foundation

#### **Urban Cinema**

Screening of the film *Citizen Jane - Battling for the City* was attended by representatives of the Directorate of Public Works and Urbanism and the Institute of Housing and Real Estate.

The film raised awareness about the importance of community involvement in urban planning.

#### Natural Beauty - Workshop

A workshop promoting the beauty of natural hair and reduction in the use of hairpieces was held with support from local hair dressers. The initiative aimed to promote awareness about the consequences of using plastic hair extensions which end up in the oceans. There are registered cases of turtles dying from ingesting plastic extensions having confused them with seaweed. Like other plastics, these extensions remain in the oceans for hundreds of years.

The HBD, the Príncipe Trust Foundation and the Biosphere Reserve partnered to convene the workshop.



#### Project War on Plastic

The activity consisted of creating prototype fabric bags as a means of reducing current usage of plastic bags. The fabric bags will be given to several families to promote an island without plastic. The HBD, the Príncipe Trust Foundation and the Biosphere Reserve partnered in this initiative as well.

**Project** *Green Príncipe* A series of wooden structures will be placed in garbage containers on Principe Island to prevent them from being damaged. To encourage sorting of waste, the containers will be labelled.



## **Americas**



#### Brazil



#### **Urban Circuit 2018**

The UN-Habitat office in Brazil launched *Urban Circuit* (*Circuito Urbano*) in 2018. Responding to a public call on social networks, numerous organizations applied to host *urban events*. More than half of the proposals were selected by UN-Habitat and given visibility and institutional support.

#### **Facts and Figures**

**102** events submitted, **56** events selected

**28** Cities (including **15** capital cities) in **17** states, in all five regions of Brazil

**30%** of the event proposers were from civil society organizations, **19%** from the public sector, **19%** from private sector, **19%** from academia



## Outcome of surveys carried out at *Urban Events*

- Half of those surveyed did not know UN-Habitat
- 48 per cent knew that SDG 11 focuses on cities
- 19 per cent correctly chose Quito as the city where the New Urban Agenda was adopted.

#### Goals of the Urban Circuit

The main purpose of the Urban Circuit 2018 was to promote events and activities related to sustainable urban development and to draw attention to the relevance of the 2018 Urban October themes Municipal Solid Waste Management and Resilient and Sustainable Citiesby:

- Providing visibility and broader outreach to events related to solid waste management and/or resilience.
- Strengthening the main actors in these areas and providing them with institutional support. Identifying and mapping actors in Brazil working in these specific areas.
- Facilitating development of a network of actors in these areas.
- Assessing the main problems, challenges and solutions (practices, tools and innovative approaches) identified in each event within its specific urban theme.
- Assessing the level of public knowledge about the Sustainable Development Goals, especially SDG-11 and the New Urban Agenda – and raising awareness about them.

 Raising awareness about UN-Habitat's role, mandate and activities.

Organizers were required to designate focal points to coordinate participation in the *Urban Circuit*, organize an online survey to assess public knowledge about urbanization, present a video on UN-Habitat, promote the events using specific hashtags, and complete an evaluation and reporting form.

#### **Insights for Urban Circuit 2019**

UN-Habitat Brazil is already planning Urban Circuit 2019. Due to the high levels of participation in 2018 and in order to be more aligned with Urban October, 2019 will stick strictly to the month of October.

The organizers of 14 events said they were motivated by the opportunity to be part of the Urban Circuit and many said they could have done more had they been given more time. A website for Urban Circuit is planned as a platform for information exchange and updates on timelines and agenda.



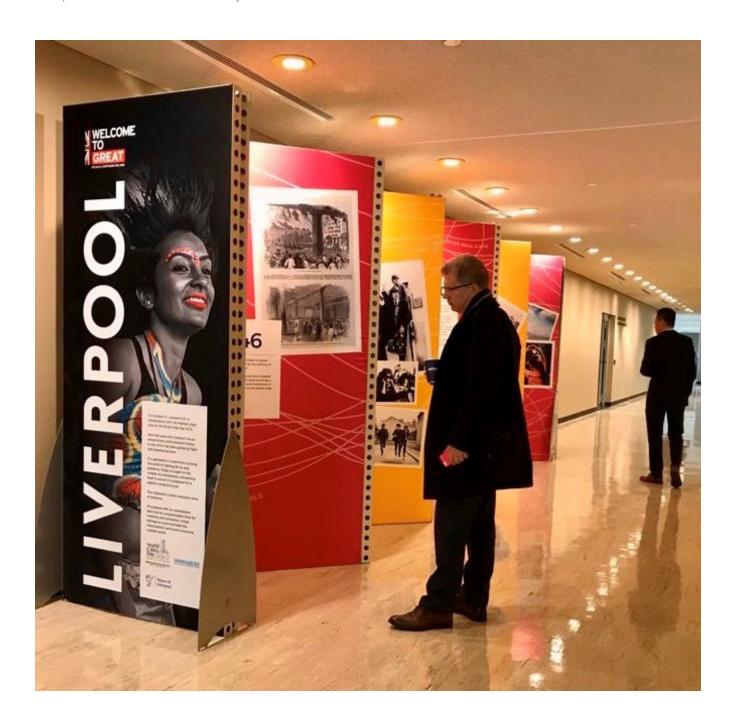


## **USA**



Over 30 events took place in New York which were organized in partnership with partners including civil society groups, academic institutions, culinary organizations, UN member states, and UN agencies.

An Exhibition titled *Here Comes the Sun – Resilient Liverpool* was organized with Liverpool City at UNHQ in New York from 22 to 26 October as World Cities Day Global Observation took place in the city. Over 800 years old, Liverpool has an extraordinary and turbulent history. Today it is again in the middle of a renaissance, reinventing itself to ensure it is prepared for a rapidly changing future. The Liverpool Exhibition charted its story of resilience.



# **Arab States**



## **Egypt**

UN-Habitat and the General Organization for Physical Planning convened an expert group meeting to prepare a master plan for the city of **Ras Al-Hekma** as a resilient city supported by innovative practices, green technology and environmentally sound planning and development.

UN-Habitat also partnered with the Qalyoubiya Governorate in convening a workshop on managing urban expansion as a challenge facing cities both in the developed and developing world, and its significance and ramifications. Rapidly growing informal settlements in developing countries is the result of unplanned or poorly planned urban growth. Participants

discussed issues related to urban expansion in greater Cairo region including brief history of land readjustment in the world and case studies UN-Habitat pilot projects in Qayobia governorate, applying improvement levy in urban expansion areas, undertaking land subdivision or land consolidation, and strategies to plan expansion areas in greater Cairo region.

On 30<sup>th</sup> of October, a workshop was conducted for around 40 students from the American University in Cairo (AUC). It addressed urban problems and policies in Egypt, the role of UN-Habitat, and how interventions are aligned with SDGs and the New Urban Agenda.

### **Kuwait**



UN-Habitat, the Municipality of Tripoli, and civil society partners carried out a clean-up of Souk El Albisah in Tripoli, Lebanon and in raising awareness about solid waste management. Shoppers were offered reusable bags in exchange for their plastic ones, with one enthusiastic lady saying, "Next time I visit the market, I'll carry this reusable bag instead of carrying several non-reusable plastic bags".

The second event featured 15 local NGOs that

advocate for sorting rubbish from the source in an exercise to familiarize locals in Old Saida with the concept. The final event was an *Urban Breakfast* at UN-Habitat premises in Beirut on the 31st of October to showcase best practices in solid waste management in Lebanon. Ali Haidar from Compost Baladi presented smart solutions for organic waste management in urban areas while Rami Assaf, from VGNI, discussed recent case studies on municipal solid waste management in Lebanon.

### Saudi Arabia



#### The Second Saudi Urban Forum

The Saudi Urban Forum offered a great opportunity for localization of sustainable development goals. The event organized by the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs (MOMRA) and supported by UN-Habitat ran from 15-17 October on the theme *The Role of Urban Planning in Achieving Saudi Vision 2030*.

Over 70 speakers shared their expertise and

experiences with sustainable solutions and challenges working within their communities. Local authorities, experts, civil society and citizens at all levels engaged in a conversation about sustainable solutions for a better future for Saudi cities. Professionals, decision-makers and others interested in the future of Saudi cities in fields including urban planning, environment, legislation, urban management and community engagement participated.

A vibrant conversation on *New Urban Planning Trends* opened the forum. It reiterated the importance of learning from global best practices. "It is important to have a good urban plan but it is also important to have the tool to monitor this plan in the long run," said Mayor of Riyadh Region, Tarek Al Fares,

Minecraft workshop gave a group of girls and boys an opportunity to define their priorities in a local market space within Riyadh. They were able to make inclusive decisions in their planning such as including disability ramps and braille marked paths for easy navigation

by visually impaired individuals. Young Saudi women made presentations on creating parklets specific to Saudi cities using locally available materials, taking local climate into account.. One girl created an outdoor library for citizens to read and exchange books for free.

The last three decades have seen rapid urbanization and infrastructure development in Saudi cities. The Future Saudi Cities Program supports targets of the National Transformation Program (NTP) in alignment with Vision 2030 to strike a balance between preserving natural resources and economic growth.



# **Kuwait**



Community-based organizations and NGOs were brought together in a three -day event in Abdullah Al Salem Cultural Centre (ASCC) to raise awareness about Municipal Solid Waste Management and sustainability in Kuwait through proactive strategies (such as the four Rs - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Recover). The

event featured educational talks, an exhibition, and lab activities for all age groups. Recycling bins were placed permanently in different parts of the complex and pamphlets, posters, and souvenirs pertaining to conservation, waste management, and sustainability were distributed to the public.



# **Asia Pacific**



## **Afghanistan**



#### Third National Mayors Conference, Kabul.

Urban October celebrations in Afghanistan began with the third edition of the National Mayors Conference organized by the Independent Directorate for Local Government (IDLG) and the Deputy Ministry for Municipalities (DMM). The conference brought together 34 mayors for three days to discuss challenges and opportunities offered by rapid urbanization in Afghanistan. Legislative and policy developments by the Government of Afghanistan discussed at the conference include the adoption of a Municipal Law, regulation on the registration of urban informal properties, a presidential decree on land allocation for IDPs and refugees, and ongoing work on Housing and Informal Settlement Upgrading and Redevelopment policies.

Afghanistan has adopted an Urban National Priority Programme that aligns with the New Urban Agenda.

The opening ceremony of the conference was chaired by H.E President Ashraf Ghani on 1 October. The President encouraged mayors to support ongoing reforms and to strive for more productivity and less external dependence.

Afghan cities are already contributing half of the national GDP.

In line with the spirit of Habitat III, Deputy Minister of Municipalities, Mr. Abdul Baqi Popal reiterated the importance of coordination mechanisms between national and local governments. This was followed by a series of discussions by key stakeholders of the urban sector: Ministry of Housing and Urban Development; the Afghanistan Land Authority; Kabul Municipality; Provincial Municipalities; academia; civil society; donors and international partners including UN-Habitat.

During the conference, UN-Habitat screened a **promotional video** showcasing Afghanistan as a successful model in implementing the New Urban Agenda with specific reference to its role as technical advisor to national and local governments through six different programmes.

UN-Habitat also led a session on the Sustainable Development Goals with an emphasis on SDG11 and other urban-related SDGs, highlighting existing linkages between the government's actions and the SDG indicators of achievement.



## **Bangladesh**

On 4 October, Bangladesh Institute of Planners organized a day-long seminar. Planners from different agencies and local government institutions attended the seminar. Papers related to the theme of World Habitat Day were presented by several professionals.

# Urban Thinkers Campus: Implementation of New Urban Agenda – Grassroots Voice,

**Dhaka**The Participatory Development Action Program and the Coalition for the Urban Poor jointly organized a two-day Urban Thinkers Campus to raise awareness about the New Urban Agenda at the grassroots. Six sessions were conducted on different thematic areas and key note presentations were followed with discussions at every session. The inaugural and closing sessions were attended by about 200 participants, representing poor communities, local government, academic institutions and civil societies.

# Printing and distribution of New Urban Agenda: Bengali Version

The New Urban Agenda has been translated and printed in Bengali with support from UN-Habitat and other partners. More than 500 copies were distributed to the key stakeholders during the Seminar and World Cities Day event.

### Fiji

### Fiji Resilient Informal Settlements Workshop, Suva

UN-Habitat held a stakeholder workshop in Suva, Fiji, involving the Ministry of Housing and Community Development, the NGO Live and Learn Environmental Education and volunteers from the University of the South Pacific and the Peoples Community Network. The workshop marked the end of the household survey of 16 informal settlements in Fiji under a new programme on urban informal settlements resilience funded by the

Adaptation Fund.

Participants shared their experiences and made recommendations on approaches to enhancing resilience in informal settlements. The survey itself was a way of raising awareness about climate change within the communities. The workshop endeavoured to capture the gender (men, women, gay and transgender) perspective both on the approach for community survey and for vulnerability and gender-based special needs.

### India

UN-Habitat and the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) of the Government of India and other knowledge partners organized a month of activities, innovative events and discussions on urban sustainability.

The dialogues and discussions were held with a diverse group of stakeholders including students, youth and children, sector media experts, academicians, elected representatives, bureaucrats, professionals from private sector, civil society and the government officials.

# National Workshop on *Mainstreaming*Sustainable Social Housing in India Project

The National Workshop on Mainstreaming Sustainable Social Housing in India Project (MaS-SHIP) was convened in New Delhi on 9 October. The objective of the project is to mainstream resource and energy efficiency into the development of social housing projects in India. The multi-stakeholder workshop presented findings of research by UN-Habitat, Oxford Brookes University, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) and Development Alternatives.

Components of the main product of the project – A Decision Support Toolkit (DST) were presented by different speakers. The DST – an interactive web-based toolkit assists construction actors ranging from local governments to developers to select sustainable building materials and construction technologies. It also assists users to adopt better design and construction practices.

The need for innovative interventions to improve sustainability of rapid housing construction was stressed as participants agreed on the value of the DST, making suggestionsto improve how it measures and compares building materials.

# National Workshop on *Making Livable Cities:*Challenges and Way Forward

UN-Habitat and TERI jointly convened a national workshop on making cities livable, as a means of contributing to a national urbanization policy. The workshop was the culmination of a series of Regional Policy Dialogues organized by TERI across the four geographical regions of India on urban planning and governance, infrastructure development, environmental sustainability and strengthening partnerships for livable cities.

The half-day events brought together multiple stakeholders, ranging from Municipal Commissioners and Smart City SPV CEOs to civil society organizations to discuss key aspects of enhancing livability in India, smart urban solutions to achieve the New Urban Agenda, and the SDGs.

UN-Habitat India participated in the panel discussion on *Partnerships to enhance livability of cities* which deliberated on how partnerships between –communities, public and private sectors, and international development partners can be built upon to enhance livability in cities.

### Iran



### The first Brainstorming Workshop on Implementation of the International Guidelines on Urban and Territorial Planning

The first Brainstorming Workshop on Implementation of the International Guidelines on Urban and Territorial Planning was held at the Ministry of Roads and Urban Development in collaboration with the Ministry of Roads and Urban Development. It introduced the general framework and objectives of UN-Habitat's International Guidelines on Urban and Territorial Planning (IG-UTP) and collaboration

possibilities with partners.

### Scientific Workshop on Resilience for All

To commemorate International Day for Disaster Reduction, Tehran University of Medical Sciences and UN-Habitat, UN OCHA, Iranian Red Crescent Society, Tehran Disaster Mitigation and Management Organization, UN ESCAP, and the Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development Disaster Information Management convened workshop on *Resiliency for All*. UN-Habitat representative Mr. Mehmet Emin Akdogan spoke on Resiliency from a broader perspective.

## Japan (Fukuoka)



### Urban October Exhibition and World Habitat Day Workshop

Urban October Exhibitions were held at Fukuoka City Hall from 3- 5 October and at the lobby of Fukuoka Prefectural Government Building from 22- 31 October 2018. Both exhibitions aimed to raise public awareness about UN-Habitat and Urban October.

#### **Children's Drawing Contest**

During Urban October, UN-Habitat's Regional Office for the Asia Pacific Region and its local partners in Fukuoka organized the annual Children's Drawing Contest on the theme *Our City and Water* inviting submissions from elementary school children in fourth to sixth grade in schools from different Asian countries. The selected drawings were exhibited in Fukuoka City and are being used in the 2019 Habitat Original Calendar to be used to solicit financial support for *Water for Life* projects in the region through Fukuoka Habitat Institute.



The Gold Prize winner this year was Mr. Kennard Alvaro Hadinata, a grade 5 student from the city of Surabaya, Indonesia, who submitted a drawing and the following short essay:

"My city Surabaya is a port city and the capital of East Java. It has many parks with water features, among them is the garden surrounding our Balai Kota, which is also my favorite place to have some splashy fun. The river Kalimas flows through the city and helps provide electricity via mini power plants all over town. On this river there's an old water gate called Jagir which has been in operation since 1920s and today the area serves as fishing feature. Another thing that our city is proud of is the Mangrove Forest Ecotourism. Mangrove forest help protects the soil from water erosion and is home to over 30 protected species of animals. Within this year, our city has won four awards: The Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize (Special Mention), UN Global Green City, UNESCO Learning City, and the ASEAN Tourism 2018. Our mayor Tri Rismaharini paraded the awards throughout the city to encourage us to take better care of our city and our world."

# **Pakistan**



# Launch of *Clean and Green Pakistan Programme*, Islamabad

The *Clean and Green Pakistan* campaign was launched at Saidpur Village Islamabad on October 13, 2018 as part of the call by the Prime Minister for a *Clean and Green Pakistan* announced on October 8, 2018. The cleanliness campaign in Saidpur Village was jointly organized by the Ministry of Climate Change, UN Habitat, the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC), Metropolitan Corporation Islamabad (MCI), Dr. Akhtar Hameed Khan Memorial Trust (AHKMT), and National Cleaner Production Centre (NCPC) in collaboration with the Chairman of the Union Council, Saidpur.

Advisor to the Prime Minister on Climate Change and the focal person for the *Clean and Green Pakistan* Mr. Malik Amin Aslam, was the chief guest. Ambassadors of Netherlands, China, Kenya, Libya, Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco and Sudan participated. The Minister reiterated

the Government of Pakistan's commitment to improving solid and liquid waste management, sanitation and hygiene through community-based collective behaviour change. He added that the Government intends to develop Saidpur Village into a model clean and green village and a centre of attraction for international tourists and visitors. He expressed gratitude to UN-Habitat and other partners for helping to set up an Integrated Resource Recovery Centre in Saidpur Village.

Other activities included a cleanliness campaign was led by community members, government and local sanitary workers, and involving the dignitaries present, awareness raising about the importance of hand washing, a campaign against open defecation and improvement of toilet facilities. A painting competition was held, reinforcing the pride and the sense of personal responsibility towards the cleanliness drive among the school children who received their prizes from the chief guest.

# **Philippines**



### Forum on the Abridged National Urban Development and Housing Framework

A Forum on the Abridged National Urban Development and Housing Framework (NUDHF) provided the context for United Architects of the Philippines' (UAP) celebration of World Architecture Day with the participation of national partners. The Abridged NUDHF was presented the Director of the Policy Development Group, Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board, Ms. Nora Diaz. Angel Aguila of the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council, Director of the National Economic and Development Authority, Mr. Remedios Endencia Bernhard Barth of UN-Habitat Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, and Mr. Jonathan Manalad of UAP. The forum was moderated by Country

Programme Manager, UN-Habitat Philippines Mr. Christopher Rollo.

### Mindanao Urban Peace Debates, Iligan

The Mindanao Urban Peace Debates, held in partnership with the MSU-IIT Debate Varsity at the MSU-IIT campus in Iligan City, Mindanao, was a collegiate debate tournament on post-conflict and development-themed urban issues with university debate societies across Mindanao invited to participate.

The event was an advocacy platform for dialogue on peace and development in urban societies recovering from armed conflict, enabling participants to gain a stronger awareness of the normative discourse in rebuilding cities and towns damaged by

violent conflicts, have a nuanced appreciation of the complexities and sensitivities of rebuilding Marawi City within the context of larger regional conflicts, and recognize the role of young people and the academia in shaping the community and national conversations on Marawi rehabilitation.

About 50 youth participants, comprised of the 12 debate teams, judges, adjudicators, and organizers from MSU-IIT attended the two-day event with majority of them coming in from different cities and provinces.

The youth perspective on a range of urban issues contributed to understanding how the youth view risks and opportunities in urban communities facing threats of armed conflict.

An open forum followed the elimination rounds, with a panel offering insights on whether justice is better served by truth and reconciliation commissions rather than seeking prosecution for atrocities in societies rebuilding from conflict; and whether ethnic integration in housing policies and projects should be heavily promoted in societies rebuilding from conflict, the first two topics debated..

#### Manila Urban Debates, Manila

UN-Habitat Philippines rounded off Urban

October activities on October 28 with the Manila Urban Debates held at the Ateneo de Manila campus in Quezon City, in partnership with the Ateneo Debate Society.

Topics were selected from a list on climate change in the context of cities and equitable urbanization proposed by youth representatives.

As with the Mindanao debates, the Manila leg used the British Parliament format, and topics were only disclosed to debaters 15 minutes before each round. To shed professional insight on the points raised during the debates, an open forum was held on the first two topics, whether or not gated communities should be abolished; and whether countries with limited resources should focus on climate change adaptation rather than mitigation.

The Manila Urban Debates culminated in a championship round on the topic of whether or not to support a household-level carbon tax with La Salle Debate Society and the UP Manila Debate Circle supporting householdlevel carbon tax and two teams from the Ateneo Debate Society opposing it.

Full story here: <a href="http://unhabitat.org">http://unhabitat.org</a>. ph/2018/11/05/hearing-future-cities-speak/





The Ministry of Housing and Construction organized a series of events to celebrate Urban October including special programmes targeting children, youth, women and elders.



#### **Urban October 2018 events in Bangkok**

Since 1996, a petition addressed to the UN Secretary-General has been sent each year to the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP) and UN-Habitat by the *Four Regions Slum Network* (FRSN). Acting as an umbrella organization for several networks across Thailand, the FRSN has been vocal in advocating for the rights of the poor through protests and demonstrations to campaign for land reforms, tenure security and wider civil rights issues. With support from the Community Organizations Development Institute (CODI) under the Ministry of Social Development and Human Security (MSDHS) of the Royal Thai Government, the FRSN represents some of the most vulnerable populations in Thailand.

At a gathering of several hundred inhabitants of slums and informal settlements from across Thaila On 2 October, the President of FRSN, Ms. Varind Damrongphan called for the United Nations to act on the issue of homelessness and to alleviate the suffering of those in need by providing living spaces and building a sustainable community.

On 10 October a seminar was organized by the National Housing Authority (NHA) under the MSDHS to address challenges related to municipal solid waste management in Thailand - building upon the WHD theme. As highlighted during the seminar, many municipalities are lack the capacity to handle a formal waste management system, leading to the emergence of alternative ways to handle, manage and dispose of waste, including informal waste activities.

As part of the official observance of World Habitat Day and World Cities Day, a commemoration event involving over 300 participants was organized by UN ESCAP, UN-Habitat, the Royal Thai Government and Asian Coalition for Housing Rights on October 12 at the UN Conference Centre. Sharing details of the

20-Year National Housing Development Master Plan, the event featured opening remarks by the Minister of Social Development and Human Security, General Anantaporn Kanjanarat, an exhibition of works by CODI and the launch of Canal Housing Project in Thailand.

Awards were presented to individuals and organizations in recognition of their work in ensuring that social benefits reached their communities. A panel discussion on the *Building Sustainable and Resilient Cities* saw participation by grassroots and community leaders from over 10 countries in the Asia-Pacific region affiliated with the Slum/Shack Dwellers International (SDI) Regional Alliance.

To address the issues of waste management along with sustainable consumption and production, over 200 young people from the Global Shapers Community across the Asia-Pacific region gathered at the Regional SHAPE APAC event in Bangkok. Featuring a specialized track on *Sustainable Cities*a discussion on urban resilience was followed by an interactive game conducted by the Faculty of Architecture and Planning at Thammasat University.



# Europe



### The Russian Federation



# The Circular City – The City as an Ecosystem for Green Businesses

UN-Habitat took part in an Urban October session within the framework of the *Open Innovation Forum* - 2018 in Moscow. Launched in 2012, the Open Innovation Forum is the premier international platform in Russia for entrepreneurs, corporations, scientists, and government officials to discuss emerging global technical challenges from the technological, managerial, and humanitarian perspectives.

Mr. Nicolas Buchoud of the consultancy firm *Renaissance Urbaine*, working with UN-Habitat presented the *Circular Economy* concept and highlighted the theme of 2018 World Habitat

Day - Municipal Solid Waste Management.

The Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities, Mr. Andrei Chibis informed participants that in 2019 a special programme would be launched in Russia to improve waste recycling while ensuring maximum extraction of secondary resources by creating an effective and sustainable infrastructure for garbage separation, collection and disposal.

Further information on session is available on this link: <a href="https://openinnovations.ru/en/program/session/139">https://openinnovations.ru/en/program/session/139</a>

Video recording of the session is available on this link: <a href="https://broadcast.comdi.com/watch/r7w3764r">https://broadcast.comdi.com/watch/r7w3764r</a>

### **Spain**



Urban October in Spain was celebrated with the collaboration of 27 key partners and stakeholders including national, regional and local governments, professionals, the private sector, academia, UN agencies, funds and programmes, and NGOs. The Ministries of Public Works, Housing and Transport, Foreign Affairs and Territorial Policy and Public Function, as well as the European Union, the High Commissioner for the 2030 Agenda of the Spanish Government, the City Council of Cordoba and the City Council of Barcelona were among partners who supported Urban October 2018. The UN-Habitat Office in Madrid was involved in 12 Urban October events.

#### **Living with Trash**

To celebrate World Habitat Day, the ETSAM-UPM (Polytechnic University of Madrid) organized an exhibition of photos provided by the public from 25 September to 4 October. There was also a roundtable discussion on

solid waste management which included Head of UN-Habitat Office in Spain, Ms. Carmen Sanchez-Miranda and representatives of ICHaB and Asociacion Miogas, among others.

#### 1st Yearbook of Circular Economy in Spain

The Sustainability Observatory presented its 1st Yearbook of Circular Economy in Spain showing 30 indicators on solid waste management and the circular economy. UN-Habitat opened the event with a presentation on World Habitat Day, and representatives of ECOEMBES, SIGAUS, SIGNAUS, and of the Regional Government of Extremadura participated in a roundtable discussion.

#### 1st Urban Planning Conference

- The National Institute of Public Administration (INAP) held a two-day conference on the Local Urban Agenda and the New City Model with Ms. Carmen Sanchez-Miranda delivering a lecture on the Urban Dimension of the SDGs and the New Urban Agenda. Representatives of the Minister of Public Works, Housing and Transport, academics, professionals, and local government officials participated.

# Engendering Urban October: Integrating gender in large urban regeneration operations

The UNESCO Chair of the Polytechnic University of Madrid (UPM) discussed the gender perspective in development of large regeneration projects and urban conversion in Europe and participation, inclusion and social commitment in big urban operations. Carmen Sanchez-Miranda opened the event in which representatives of the UPM, UNESCO Chair, Castellana Norte and Irun Rail Space Regeneration Project participated.

#### CSCAE Observatory presentation

The The Superior Council of Associations of Architects of Spain (CSCAE) presented the Architecture Observatory on *Cities and Territory, Objective 2030*, Carmen Sanchez-Miranda highlighted the strategic collaboration between CSCAE and UN-Habitat and the relevance of the urban dimension of the SDGs and the New Urban Agenda.

# Economic fundamentals for sustainable urbanization in Spanish

The Polytechnic University of Valencia (UPV), the Polytechnic University of Madrid and UN-Habitat, presented the Spanish version of the publication *Economic fundamentals for sustainable urbanization* (available here) translated by the UPV in Madrid on 17 October. Representatives of the City Council

of Madrid, ETSAM-UPM, UPV, Basic Housing Laboratory and Tirant Lo Blanch Editorial participated in the event. The next day UPV and UN-Habitat made the presentation in Valencia to representatives of the City Council of Valencia, ETSAM-UPM, UPV and Basic Housing Laboratory.

# Towards sustainable cities and communities: the New Urban Agenda in Spain

The UN-Habitat Office in Spain and the College of Architects of Madrid convened a high-level meeting attended by over 300 people where the Minister of Public Works, Transport and Housing, the Minister of Territorial Policy and Public Function, and the High Commissioner for the 2030 Agenda reaffirmed the commitment of the Spanish Government to implementing the 2030 Agenda and the New Urban Agenda, in the lead up to the upcoming approval of the Spanish Urban Agenda. The Forum received widespread coverage on Spanish media.



Key quotes from *Towards sustainable cities* and communities: the New Urban Agenda in Spain

"Cities must not be hostile spaces but environments of solutions, opportunities and social justice"

Minister of Territorial Policy and Civil Service

"The 2030
Agenda and
the New Urban
Agenda will serve
if they are used, if
they are adopted
as a commitment
to guide action.
It is important to
help get the spirit
of what is written."

Former Executive
Director of UN-Habitat

"The 2030 Agenda brings together and compacts all the issues that affect the sustainable development of the planet. The government of Spain approaches it as a country model."

Minister of Territorial Policy and Civil Service

"Our strategic government project is under the 2030 Agenda and we would like the Ministry to be the Ministry of the City. Without usurping competences, we must protect the right to housing, preserving their social function."

Minister of Public Works, Transport and Housing. "The Spanish urban agenda will focus on ordering the territory, avoiding urban sprawl, reducing the effects of climate change and improving resource management to facilitate circular economy."

Secretary- General of Housing.



# Circular economy and waste management within the framework of the New Urban Agenda and the SDGs

The Andalusian Fund of Municipalities for International Solidarity (FAMSI), the City Council of Cordoba and the municipal company SADECO held an event in Cordoba to raise awareness about the challenges set by the New Urban Agenda and the 2030 Agenda particularly around better environmental management and minimization of waste. The event provided space for experts, political leaders, public companies, social entities and international organizations to reflect on the matter.





# Urban informality and inclusion with Joan MacDonald

Former Secretary of Housing and Urban Planning of Chile and World President of the Latin American Service, African and Asian Popular Housing (SELAVIP) Ms. Joan McDonald delivered a lecture on the opportunity of participatory and inclusive processes for slum upgrading at the Polytechnic University of Madrid (TSAM-UPM).

#### **Spanish Media Coverage**

An article entitled *World Habitat Day 2018* by Head of UN-Habitat Office in Spain, Ms. Carmen Sánchez-Miranda was published in *El Pais* (the main Spanish media platform worldwide) and had 17 million hits. UN-Habitat Office in Spain and the Urban October campaign had 41 media clips in various media including *El Pais, Europa Press, EFE, Cadena Ser, COPE* and *La Vanguardia.* 

On the @UNHabitatSpain (Twitter account), Urban October had 68,300 tweet impressions and 193 mentions. The Office shared 109 tweets about Urban October.



# **ANNEXES**

## Statistics for Urban October, WHD and WCD 2018

No.	Type of Event	No. of Countries that celebrated	No. of Cities that celebrated	No. of Activities celebrated in Africa	No. of Activities celebrated in Arab States	No. of Activities celebrated in Asia and the Pacific	No. of Activities celebrated in Europe and North America	No. of Activities celebrated in Latin America and the Caribbean	Total No. of Activities
1	Urban October	54	81	50	6	34	59	68	223
2	WHD	25	38	7	9	42	14	18	85
3	WCD	23	24	14	1	12	19	5	50
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Total of **61 Countries**held WHD, WCD and/or
Urban October events

Total of **107 Cities** held WHD, WCD and/or Urban October events

# Urban October Events List of World Habitat Day, World Cities Day and Urban October celebrations around the World

Venue	Organization	Торіс
Afghanistan, Kabul	Deputy Ministry of Municipalities	Afghanistan Mayors Conference
Algeria		Official visit to Algeria
Angola	ULA - Universidade Lusíada de Angola	Architecture Forum Conference - University initiative
Angola	MINOTH - Ministry of Territorial Development and Housing	Debate on TV
Angola	ULA - Universidade Lusíada de Angola	Design Africa Symposium at Architecture Forum ULA
Angola	ULA - Universidade Lusíada de Angola	Conference about NAU and SDG11 at Architecture Forum ULA
Angola	Centro Cultural Brasil Angola (CCBA)	Photographic Exhibition - Urban thematic Abertura exposição "Arquitetura Modernista em Angola" — CCBA (parceria Instituto Goethe)
Angola	Renascer/ CEICA/ ULA	Urban Walk in Luanda - Colonial Route
Angola	Rede de Luta Contra Pobreza Urbana (LUPP)	Conference LUPP - World Poverty Eradication Day
Angola	UN Angola	UN DAY - Agenda 2030 Conference
Angola	Centro Cultural Brasil Angola (CCBA) and UN-Habitat	Urban Breakfast — Conferência Construindo Cidades Sustentáveis e Resilientes — CCBA
Angola	Renascer/ CEICA/ ULA	Urban Walk in Luanda - Slave Route
Angola	Centro Cultural Brasil Angola (CCBA) and UN-Habitat	Urban Cinema
Angola	DW Development Workshop	Debate each Friday at DW — Debate DW — Development Workshop
Angola	Centro Cultural Brasil Angola (CCBA) and UN-Habitat	Urban October on the street
Angola	Centro Cultural Brasil Angola (CCBA) and UN-Habitat	Dia Mundial das Cidades: Construindo Cidades Sustentáveis e Resilientes - Lecture of Gilson Paranhos from CODHAB - DF, Brazil

Angola	MINOTH - Ministry of Territorial Development and Housing	National Urban Forum in Angola
Angola	Centro Cultural Brasil Angola (CCBA) and UN-Habitat	Dia Mundial das Cidades: Construindo Cidades Sustentáveis e Resilientes
Angola	UN-Habitat	World Habitat Day Conference
Argentina, Buenos Aires	CIPPEC	Metropolitan Day 2018
Argentina, Buenos Aires		MINURVI Assembly
Argentina, Buenos Aires		Urban 20 Inaugural Mayors Summit
Argentina, Buenos Aires		Urban Campus Conference (Youth movement LAC)
Argentina, Trenque Lauquen	Red de Desarrollo Urbano Pampeana - ReDUP / Colegio de Arquitectos de la Provincia de Buenos Aires Distrito VII - CAPBA D7	Seminario Ciudad Pampeana Movilidad y Sistemas Urbanos Verdes
Azerbaijan, Baku		Baku Humanitarian Urban Forum
Bahrain		5th Arab Housing Conference- Bahrain
Bahrain	Ministry of Housing	Seminar on World Habitat Day
Bangladesh	Local Government and NGOs	Rally and Seminar
Bangladesh, Dhaka	National Housing Authority and Ministry of Housing and Public Works,NHA, Private Sector and Ministry	World Habitat Day Rally
Bangladesh, Dhaka	Ministry of Housing and Public Works, Private Sector and Government	World Habitat Day Inauguration Ceremony
Bangladesh, Dhaka	Urban Debvelopment Directorate and Ministry of Housing and Public Works,UDD, PWD and Ministry	World Habitat Day Seminar
Bangladesh, Dhaka	Bangladesh Institute of Planners,Universities and BIP	World Habitat Day Seminar
Bangladesh, Dhaka	Coalition for Urban Poor and PDAP,YWCA, and NGOs	итс
Bangladesh, Dhaka	BRAC	Held rallies, dialogues and seminars in 20 cities of Bangladesh, to make city dwellers, city authorities and policy makers aware of importance of proper management of municipal solid waste.
Belgium, Brussels	AGE Platform Europe	Co-Creating Open Digital Services for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities

Belgium, Brussels	European Commission - Joint Research Centre	On World Cities Day, the JRC's Community of Practice on Cities (CoP-CITIES) discussed with selected partners its main research and policy-support activities on cities and in particular the ongoing preparation of the Report on the Future of Cities.
Belgium, Brussels	youris.com	In the framework of the World Cities Day 2018, BuildHeat H2020 project in collaboration with other 3 EU-funded likeminded projects (ABRACADABRA, P2ENDURE and HEART projects) discussed innovative approaches, lessons learnt and results achieved in the retrofitting of multifamily houses at EU level.
Belgium, Brussels		High-Level Forum on Slum and informal settlement upgrading
Bolivia (Plurinational State of), La Paz	ONU-Habitat Bolivia	II Foro de Desarrollo Región Metropolitana de La Paz
Bolivia (Plurinational State of), La Paz	ONU-Habitat Bolivia	I Foro Urbano Nacional
Bolivia (Plurinational State of), La Paz	ONU-Habitat Bolivia	Congreso Internacional de Movilidad Urbana
Bolivia (Plurinational State of), La Paz	ONU-Habitat Bolivia, Helvetas	Sensibilización en la Gestión de Riesgos y Resiliencia con jóvenes
Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Santa Cruz y La Paz	ONU-Habitat Bolivia	Presentación del estudio regional "Subamos el estándar para ciudades productivas en América Latina y el Caribe"
Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Sucre	ONU-Habitat Bolivia	Taller Políticas Urbanas para ciudades resilientes
Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Sucre y Cochabamba	ONU-Habitat Bolivia, Helvetas	Semana de la Resiliencia: Presentación de todos los Productos técnicos de la Consultoría de Resiliencia
Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Tarija	TyTREDSUR	3er. Congreso Latinoamericano de Catastro: El catastro y la informalidad urbana
Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Tarija, San Julián y Potosí	ONU-Habitat Bolivia	Actos de entrega de títulos de propiedad
Bolivia, La Paz		Mercociudades Summit
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	PROURB - UFRJ (Postgraduation Programme in Urbanism of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro)	Academic debates on Rio de Janeiro's Metropolitan Area.
Brazil,Rio de Janeiro	SESC (Social Service of Commerce)	The SESC+ Verde is a project transversal to all SESC in Brazil. Various educational activities on sustainable development are implemented. This event was an educational and environmental exhibit that brought sustainable actions to the Planetarium of Gávea. Celebrating the spring equinox of the Southern hemisphere and the Tree Day, SESC promoted workshops, experiences and exhibitions based on sustainability principles. Two UN-Habitat representatives participated.

Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	Urban Studies House	By addressing issues that range from public policies to small measures that can be incorporated by citizens to ressignify waste and sustainable capitalism the 'Show yours that I show mine' is a series of meetings with presentation, exchange and conversation, in which the House of Urban Studies and invited partners show projects and research that they develop.
Brazil (national)	Colab/UN-habitat	UN-Habitat Brazil and Colab have launched a public consultation on "Sustainable Cities". Brazilians will be able to evaluate their cities and the performance of city halls in relation to SDG 11, in themes such as transportation, social inclusion, basic services and transparency. Go to the link: https://consultas.colab.re/cidades-sustentaveis or download the Colab! More information: http://bit.ly/releaseconsultaods11; Participation is welcome up to 24th December.
Brazil, Aracaju	University of Tiradentes	URBCOLAB is an initiative that makes urban interventions in public spaces that are degraded by the accumulation of Civil Construction Waste (RCC). As a result of this intervention, a parklet has been built with the use of tires, pallets and recycled construction waste, in partnership with undergraduate students of Architecture and Urbanism and students from the state school 11 de Agosto, students of the "Canarinho"'s project and neighborhood community. There has also be a Conversation Circle where the new regularization plan for the disposal of small rubble and new "ECO points" in the city will be presented.
Brazil, Belo Horizonte	PUC Minas	PUC Minas is holding a Biodigestores Workshop, a pilot activity to test its future installation in the university canteens, where they hope to produce biogas and biofertilizer. The workshop is part of the 22nd Architecture Week of PUC-Minas and is the result of research projects in partnership with different organizations. It will have the technical assistance of environmental engineer and Colombian indigenous leader, Liliana Armero. Communities assisted by extension projects will participate with the objective of replicating sustainable technologies in their territories.
Brazil, Belo Horizonte	Israel Pinheiro Foundation	Part of the celebrations of Israel Pinheiro Foundation's 25 years anniversary, the event held discussions with the main actors of urban planning, with emphasis on land tenure and its new legal framework, Law 13.465/17, as well as its practical effects since its implementation. The Seminar promoted an integrated and representative debate on the multidisciplinary character of land tenure. UN-Habitat's National Officer, Rayne Ferretti, also participated in the presentations, giving an overview on the agency perspective on right to housing and the connection between land tenure and resilience.
Brazil, Brasília	CEAU DF - Entities College of Architecture and Urbanism	The motivation of this event was the implementation of Law 11.888, of December 24, 2008, which ensures the right of low-income families to public and free technical assistance for the design, the reform and construction of housing of social interest, as an integral part of the law on housing.

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Brazil, Campinas	Campinas City Council	Campinas has 242 irregular housing centers, which hold about one third of the population of the Municipality (400,000 people). In order to discuss solutions and challenges of this situation the Special Studies Commission for Land Tenure of the Campinas City Council and the "SOS Housing - My Legal Home Movement" discussed in the event "Adequate Housing #MinhaCasaLegal" on some of the most urgent urban issues: adequate housing , right to housing, basic sanitation and drinking water and education.  Speakers: Paula Zacarias, UN-Habitat (through virtual conference): "Right to adequate housing and urban land conflicts: UN-Habitat concepts and guidelines" Professor Dr. Wilson Levy, Coordinator of the MSc in Smart and Sustainable Cities of UNINOVE: "Urban Land Regularization: Challenges and Perspectives for an Smart and Sustainable City".  Samuel Rossilho, Municipal Secretariat of Housing and President of COHAB Campinas - SEHAB / COHAB: "Popular Housing in the Municipality of Campinas - EIS Cohab Land Tenure Regularization and the 2019/2020 goal" To know learn more visit the event's page on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/events/2022576101366628/
Brazil, Ceres	COTRESP (Cooperative of Collectors of Recyclable Materials of São Patrício)	The Forum will discuss with stakeholders from Vale do São Patrício the shared responsibility of waste generation, reverse logistics and post-consumption under the supervision of the public sector. Participation of the Intermunicipal Development Consortium of the São Patrício Region (CIDERSP), with 23 member municipalities. Focusing on discussing important strategies that will contribute to the elimination of landfills and establish planning instruments at the national, state, microregional, intermunicipal, and metropolitan levels; as well as estimulate that municipalities elaborate their Solid Waste Management Plans.
Brazil, Coaraci	UFSB (Federal University of South Bahia)	The Federal University of Southern Bahia (UFSB) help a Workshop on Agenda 2030 and Right to the City in Coaraci, Bahia, in the context of the National Science and Technology Week (SNCT). The Proffessor. Julia de Gouvêa and the monitors Angelo Pereira and Clemerson Oliveira promoted discussions on the City Statute and Agenda 2030, focusing on SDG 11 (Cities and Sustainable Communities) and SDG 10 (Reducing inequalities). The following topics were also addressed: Right to the City, Inequality in Urban Space, Municipal Urban Policy in Coaraci and Public Spaces.

Brazil, Curitiba	INCT - ETEs Sustentáveis (National Institute of Science and Technology, Sustainable Swage Treatment Plants)	The 1st National Seminar on Sustainable Sewage Treatment Plants has as its main goal to discuss the cycle of a Sewage Treatment facility, the residues this process generates and its impacts, searching for alternatives on the implementation of a circular and sustainable economy. Considering that Brazil calls for the universalization of environmental sanitation services, the Seminar was a platform for technical-scientific discussions that can produce direct impacts in the improvement of the Brazilian sanitation sector by sharing the knowledge produced within the framework of the INCT - ETEs Sustentáveis and promoting the debate with stakeholders.
Brazil, Curitiba	CB27, KAS — Konrad Adenauer Foundation, ICLEI South America and Municipality of Curitiba	The National Meeting of the Secretaries of Environment of Brazilian Capitals (CB27) was created during the preparations for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio + 20) in May 2012, with the goal of promoting politics and cooperation among capitals seeking solutions to the common environmental problems of Brazilian cities, with a focus on the theme of coping with climate change. The event aims to explore ways of integrating biodiversity and ecosystem services into land use planning and management, local economic development and infrastructure projects.
Brazil, Florianópolis	CAU/SC (Council of Architecture and Urbanism of Santa Catarina)	The Architecture and Urbanism Council of Santa Catarina (CAU / SC) promoted a tour of the State of SC to talk about law 11,888/2008, which deals with the right to housing for the low-income population.
Brazil, Fortaleza	UNIFOR (University of Fortaleza)	The VI Symposium of Environmental and Sanitary Engineering of UNIFOR (University of Fortaleza) happened from 2/3-October 2018. This year's edition of the symposium is focused on "Solid Waste: Management and Technology", with lectures on sustainability in practice, biogas valorization, waste management and circular economy. To learn more go to: goo.gl/AWVmY4
Brazil, Fortaleza	IEP (Instituto de Educação Portal)	The IEP Sustainability Forum is an initiative of the Institute of Education Portal - IEP for Sustainable Development. Activities:  • Workshops and lectures focusing on sustainability;  • Cultural presentations focusing on sustainability;  • Creative Economy Fairs;  • Create a greater synergy between first, second and third sector with possibility of expansion of a support chain in Ceará;  • Training of 2,611 people in lectures and workshops that promote a culture of sustainability in Ceará.
Brazil, Igarapé-Açu	IDEASSU (Sustainable Amazon Institute of Development)	The Igarapé-Açu Green Currency Movement aims to raise awareness of city dwellers, especially children and teenagers, to the importance of recycling and conscious consumption, through the creation of a Green Currency, which provides purchasing power in local commerce. As one of the activities organized by the movement, the Inspiration + Culture Fair was an opportunity for the exchange of recyclable material by the Green Currency.

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Brazil, Ilhéus	Madre Thaís College	"The VIII Integrative Seminar - Awareness: a universe of possibilities", organized by the Madre Thaís College with the theme 'Solids Waste Management: resilience and urban sustainability". Students of Architecture and Urbanism and Civil and Electrical engineering learned the theory and practice several dimensions of the theme. The programme was as follows:  24/10/2018 - Waste management workshops for the production of handicrafts and civil construction materials  25/10/2018 - Roundtable with the presentation of the Solid Waste Management Plan of SEDUR (Bahia State Secretariat of Urban Development)
Brazil, Jaboatão dos Guararapes	Municipality of Jaboatão dos Guararapes, Civil Defence	Jaboatão dos Guararapes received two representatives of UN-Habitat to promote the Seminar "BUILDING A RESILIENT CITY" on the discussion of innovative strategies for the prevention and confrontation of urban problems and social inequalities in line with sustainable practices, according to the global urban agendas and taking into account the principles advocated in the National Disaster Reduction Week. Main discussion has been aroung the topic of resilience, risk and disaster management. During the 30th and 31st of October there will be seminars and debates on the theme with Prof. Sônia Calheiros; Profa. Dr. Cristiana Duarte; Rejane Lucena; Otoniel Freire de Barros Neto; Pedro Felipe Cavalcanti and Coronel Manoel Francisco to Oliveira Cunha Filho. Learn more at: http://jaboatao.pe.gov.br/
Brazil, Januária	UFOP (Federal University of Ouro Preto) and Historical Cities Association of Minas Gerais	The event discussed social instruments and implementation tools of public policies based on sustainable development for the historic cities of Minas Gerais.
Brazil, Laguna	CAU/SC (Architecture and Urbanism Council of Santa Catarina)	The Architecture and Urbanism Council of Santa Catarina (CAU/SC) will present the Implementation Plan of Technical Assisteance for Social Housing, promoting a tour of the State of SC to talk about the right to housing for the low income population, especially regarding the Law of Technical Assistance (11.888/2008) and the means of communicating it more widely and implementing it effectively. With the participation of Cláudia Poletto, coordinator of the Commission, Ateliê Urbe and the architect Renata Coradin, the event will present different projects on the theme and its dialogue with SDGs and the New Urban Agenda. The event has been shown live on the CAU/SC facebook page: http://bit.ly/2PwyqsA. To watch the video sequence, go to: http://bit.ly/2002QJn
Brazil, Maceió	Urban Collective "Aqui Fora"	The Urban Collective "Aqui Fora" organized a Conversation Circle on the Urban Dynamics of Maceió: Perceptions and Records, with the motto "a city for all". The event brought together people of different profiles, point of views and trajectories to share their perspective on urban issues of Maceió. Daphne Besen, part of the UN-Habitat team in Alagoas also attended and presented the international agenda for urban development based on the 17 Sustainable Development Objectives - especially SDG 11 and the New Urban Agenda, as well as its importance to facilitate and guide the democratic urban management of our cities.

Brazil, Maceió	UN-Habitat office in Alagoas	UN-Habitat Brazil team in Alagoas developed an activity on the Sustainable Development Goals with thirty children from the community of Levada, in Baixada Lagunar in Maceió. The activity consisted of a presentation on the SDGs and the board game "Live the Goals!". The activity was carried out with the support of the NGO World Vision, partner of UN-Habitat Alagoas in other projects. The game "Live the Goals!" developed by the UN and is available for download at: https://nacoesunidas.org/vivaosobjetivos/
Brazil, Maceió	SUDENE (Northeast Brazil Development Authority )	The seminar happened on the launch of the Sudene Municipal Management project in Alagoas. It featured presentations from different institutions that develop activities together with municipalities aiming at sustainable local development. The project will continue on the other days with workshops of project development and SICONV - the system of management of agreements of the federal government. In the event there has been a presentation of the UN-Habitat representative Paula Zacarias, based in Alagoas, that talked about UN-Habitat's actions on capacity development for a sustainable urban management.
Brazil, Maceió	UNCISAL (Alagoas State University of Health Sciences)/UFAL Arapiraca (Federal University of Alagoas, Arapiraca)	The Seminar aims to promote the research on the theme of sustainablilty and resilience developed in the Universities of UNISAL and UFAL. A presentation was made by na UN-Habitat representative, Paula Zacarias, on the urban agenda and the SDGs and its application on the project being carried on in the informal settlements of Maceió. Presentations on circular economy and housing were also made.
Brazil, Manaus	ISANTI (Santinni Institute)	Manaus celebrated the Children's Day by debating sustainable urban development, preservation of the environment and solid waste management. There were actives for the children like planting seedlings, painting and drawing activities to answer the questions "what do I want to improve in my city?" and "how to build a better future in my city." Experts also presented environmental challenges. The event was organized by the ISANTI Institute and had the support of the Environmental Secretariat of Manaus (SEMMAS), community leaders of São Jorge, the indigenous leaders of the Apurinã ethnic group and representatives of the Solid Waste Management project in Manaus and the Brazilian Army that acts on the fauna and flora of Amazonas.
Brazil, Manaus	X lab / Sup Amazonas	The Environmental Paddling project's main goal is to draw attention of Manaus population to the pollution impacts in the Environmental Protection Area of Tarumã and the inadequate disposal of solid waste. Organized by X lab and SUPAmazonas, its specific aim is to carry out environmental education actions through the Stand Up Paddle Sport. Also, as for this specific activity, once a month a cleanup activity is carried out with volunteers at the Davi Marina, in Ponta Negra.
Brazil, Niterói	Zero Waste Institute Brazil	This event is part of the Zero Waste Week.

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Brazil, Palmas	UFT (Federal University of Tocantins) IGOT/UL (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon) SEDUC/TO (State Secretariat of Education, Youth and Sports of Tocantins)	The seminar aims to present works on The Right to the City made by high school alumni of public state schools in the city of Palmas. The seminar consisted of a series of lectures, workshops and presentations:  Dr. Sergio Claudino Loureiro Nunes, from the Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning of the University of Lisbon (IGOT / UL), will discuss the progress of the Project "Nós Propomos" ("We Propose", in English) in the Ibero-American perspective.  Prof. Dr. João Aparecido Bazzoli to present the linkages between the "Nós Propomos" Project and the Right to the City, with a focus on the SDGs and the New Urban Agenda.  A screaning of the documentary was held: Protagonism between generations (portrays action of active citizenship in the revitalization of Community Center 'Living with Joy'.  There was also a round of the 'City in Play' game, that aims to promote the critical spirit and youthful protagonism.  In the afternoon, students from six different high schools of the state public network will present papers developed during the school year. The works were evaluated by a jury composed of teachers who work in the area will be awarded.
Brazil, Petrópolis	SESC (Social Service of Commerce)	The SESC+ Verde is a project transversal to all SESC in Brazil. Various educational activities on sustainable development are implemented. The Conversation Circle will discuss with the participants the need for a critical consumption, from the incorporation of new habits and actions, analyzing different levels, such as the balance of their well being, the environment and the needs of future generations.
Brazil, Porto Velho	CB27, KAS — Konrad Adenauer Foundation, ICLEI South America and Municipality of Porto Velho	The meeting explored how Brazilian cities can develop measures to cope with the effects of heat islands and heatwaves on their policies and plans for urban development and land use. UN-Habitat representative, Daphene Besen, also made a presentation.
Brazil, Recife	Municipal Secretariat of Sustainable Development and Environment of Recife	The First Meeting of Environmental Educators of Recife - Environmental Education for a Resilient and Sustainable City was carried out by the Municipality of Recife with support from SESC and UN-Habitat. The event is part of the Environmental Educator Week program, promoted by the Municipal Environmental Education Program. For more information: https://tinyurl.com/ya2kpgpp
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	PROURB - UFRJ (Postgraduation Programme in Urbanism of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro)	Academic debates on Rio de Janeiro's Metropolitan Area.
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	SESC (Social Service of Commerce)	The SESC+ Verde is a project transversal to all SESC in Brazil. Various educational activities on sustainable development are implemented. This event was an educational and environmental exhibit that brought sustainable actions to the Planetarium of Gávea. Celebrating the spring equinox of the Southern hemisphere and the Tree Day, SESC promoted workshops, experiences and exhibitions based on sustainability principles. Two UN-Habitat representatives participated.

Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	Urban Studies House	By addressing issues that range from public policies to small measures that can be incorporated by citizens to ressignify waste and sustainable capitalism the 'Show yours that I show mine' is a series of meetings with presentation, exchange and conversation, in which the House of Urban Studies and invited partners show projects and research that they develop.
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	"Confluência Desenvolvimento Humano" (Confluence Human Development)	The "Artérias da Muda" Project developed the activity: Connection with the community. The urban intervention project is developed in partnership with the Municipal School Soares Pereira with the objective of contributing to the perception of the SDGs. Together with students and teachers of the elementary school the project focusses on articulating the environmental cause. One of its activities is the collection of used vegetable oil. In October, the project begins its community articulation phase, through of the realization of a joint effort by the students and teaches, educating the residents of the school area on the importance of the correct destination of the vegetable oil. There was also an activity on the Xavier de Brito Square, where interviews were held, containers for the collection of oil were distributed and a presentation demonstrating the consequences of its improper disposal and damage to the environment.
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	SESC (Social Service of Commerce) Rio de Janeiro	This event is part of the Zero Waste Week.
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	Nó Arquitetos	With the interest of rethinking human relationships with the environment, the architects of the "Nó Arquitetos" along with "Aqui na Terra" propose the first Domestic Composting Workshop along with a discussion on the theme.
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	Cabriola / AAA_Azevedo Architecture Agency	House Cabriola held a debate on resilience and urban sustainability. The following speakers participated: - Toledo, Rocha e Cabello (PROURBE-UFRJ)_Urban Resilience - Paulo Vidal (IPHAN-RJ)_Restauration as sustainability - Pierre-André Martin (EMBYÁ)_Green infrastructure and resilience - Philippe Nothomb (INSCRIRE)_Human rights and citizen resilience - Rodrigo Azevedo (AAA_Azevedo Agência de Arquitetura)_Co-authoring of civil society in the production of sustainable and resilient cities
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	IAB RJ (National Institute of Architects)	The IAB RJ Environment Committee carried out the "Solid Waste Management" event in Rio de Janeiro. Based on the Sustainable Development Goals, in particular SDG 11, , the IAB brought "green" professionals in order to foster an exchange of experiences in issues related to solid waste management.

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Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	Favelar, Favela Hub and Viva Rio	Favelar, Favela Hub and the Viva Rio ONG held the event "What do I do with this waste?". The event sought to raise awareness about what is waste, how its flow works from production to its final disposal and what are the impact on the environment we live in. The proposal was to discuss the meaning of waste, taking in to account its relevance and understanding the role of the population in this scenario and process. To do this, the communities of the favaleas close by were invited to discuss, exchange ideas and find answers that everyone needs when in order to properly dispose of their waste.  The activities were:  Through Design Thinking propose improvements for waste collection;  Manifesto with solutions for waste disposal and reuse within the community  Workshops for children on the impacts of waste, on dates prior to the event as a way of raising awareness and dissemination on the event;  Presentation at the Family Clinic to discuss the impact of waste in the community
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	Portal Institute of Education	Aimed at discussing planning and governance of Rio de Janeiro's Metropolitan Area.
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	ComCat (Catalising Communities)	Committed to promoting, fostering and developing the dialogue on sustainable development in the favelas, the Catalising Communities created the Sustainable Favela Network. This events promotes its first big meeting and the launching of the Network. It was a full day of training, exchanges and critical reflections, based on participatory dynamics. In addition to the exchanges between the members of the network, the event also had presentations from technical advisors (eg. public defenders, geographers, urban planners) and the screening of a film about eight cutting-edge initiatives from the Network.  See the Network initiatives on the map: bit.ly/RFSMapa Read some profiles of the Network: bit.ly/FavelasSustavelables
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	Sócio Sustentável Produções Ltda	The SDG in Foucus is a course that presents a new method for linking socially responsible actions or committed with sustainability to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
Brazil, Rio de Janeiro	Brazilian Institute of Sustainable Transport	The 1st National Meeting of Sustainability in Mobility and Logistics displayed several technologies and tools in the sector and debated on the panorama, challenges and sustainable solutions in the transportation industry.  The event has been organized by the Laboratory Cargo Transport (LTC), linked to the Transport Engineering Program (PET) of Coppe UFRJ. It has the institutional support of Firjan and UN-Habitat in Brazil and sponsorship of BNDES and CAPES. To subscribe, go to: https://goo.gl/ZUQgTs

Brazil, Salvador	Instituto 17 & Instituto Hori	The Institute 17 (i17) and the Hori Institute promoted the seminar with the support of the Catholic University of Salvador (UCSal), on 23-October in the Auditorium at the university campus. The main focus of the event was to discuss immediate measures for the challenges of Solid Waste Management in cities, following the global movement promoted by UN-Habitat. The debate was open to all interested stakeholders, professionals, teachers and students. The seminar highlighted the topics of how solid waste is produced, managed and how we can reduce environmental threats through proper waste management.
Brazil, Salvador	FLC/Ba (Bahia State Forum of Waste and Citizenship)	The work of selective collection carried out by waste collectors is undervalued by society. In the state of Bahia the number of people who carry out this activity is 34,107, the highest in the country. Considering this scenario, the State Forum on Waste and Citizenship - FLC / BA has contributed for twenty years to establish a permanent dialogue involving public power, private initiative, academia, organized civil society and recyclable material collectors in the search for the socioeconomic inclusion of the collectors in the municipalities of Bahia. The event proposed was a creative action to raise awareness of the population and public power on the problem by sharing the day-to-day life of collectors of recyclable materials.
Brazil, Salvador	ABM (Brazilian Association of Municipalities)	The workshops of the project 'Partnerships for Sustainable Development', an initiative of the Brazilian Association of Municipalities and the Pólis Institute, are aimed at municipalities with a population between 20,000 and 100,000 dwellers with HDI below the national average. The workshop brings together groups of 20 to 40 municipalities according to their geographical location, each represented by an average of 03 public authorities/technicians/managers from various areas of municipal government. The main goal is to raise awareness, train and develop specific skills of the targeted audience, aiming not only to enable them to formulate sustainable territorial development policies, but also to access state and federal resources for subsidize.  The Salvador / BA edition has the support of the Environment Department of Bahia State Government, ICLEI and the Sustainable Cities Program.
Brazil, São João de Meriti	SESC (Social Service of Commerce) Rio de Janeiro	Sesc+ Verde - Conversation Circle: conscientious consumption. The SESC+ Verde is a project transversal to all SESC in Brazil. Various educational activities on sustainable development are implemented. The Conversation Circle discussed the need for critical consumption, from the incorporation of new habits and actions, analyzing different levels, such as the balance of their well-being, the environment and the needs of future generations.
Brazil, São João de Meriti	SESC (Social Service of Commerce) Rio de Janeiro	The SESC+ Verde is a project transversal to all SESC in Brazil. Various educational activities on sustainable development are implemented. This event presented alternatives for mitigation and/or prevention of negative environmental impacts. The participants were then invited and motivated to reflect on concrete solutions and actions that can be adopted in their daily life.

Brazil, Maceió	UN Habitat Brazil	"Cordel" celebrating the Urban October, as well as telling the history and activities being accomplished on the state office. "Cordel" literature is a popular literature in verse and rhymed format. The authors or "cordelistas", recite these verses in a melodious and rhythmic form, accompanied by "viola".
Brazil, São Luís	UNDB (Dom Bosco University Centre)	The II Urbanism Forum of Maranhão aims to promote the reflection and debate on the complexity of urban resilience with professionals, researchers, managers, technicians, teachers, students and citizens of Maranhão, from a perspective of urbanism as practice, discussing new methods, tools and experiences that are capable of encouraging and (re)orientating the development of the cities of Maranhão. Focusing on the recent experiences of the elaboration of the municipalities' Master Plans.
Brazil, São Paulo	A Cidade Precisa de Você	The "Brasilândia Ativa" project aims at fostering the use of public spaces and encourage active citizenship in the Brasilândia neighbourhood, located in the northern zone of São Paulo, Brazil.
Brazil, São Paulo	Municipal Secretariat of Economic Development of São Paulo	The Municipal Secretariat for Economic Development of the City of São Paulo held the 1st Municipal Symposium on Combating Waste and Food Security and the Food Week. The event was on 16-October and featured experts on the theme to discuss on how to contribute to overcome the challenges related to urban waste and awareness for a more sustainable city.
Brazil, São Paulo	Zero Waste Institute Brazil, Abraps , Casa Causa	The Zero Waste concept promotes the maximum use and correct disposal of recyclable and organic waste. The Zero Waste Week started on 19-October and lasted until 28-October, was organized by Zero Waste Institute Brazil, which seeks to mobilize as many organizations as possible to the event to raise awareness of their city and community to become zero waste. In 2018, the Zero Waste Week has more than 60 cities participating in Brazil, and aims to reach 3 thousand events promoted and engage 12 thousand volunteers. It has been an unique opportunity to learn more about consumer awareness, sustainability, waste management, recycling, regenerative development and even contribute in practice to a more eco-efficient city! Check the website for more information: http://semanalixozero.com.br
Brazil, São Paulo	Municipality of São Paulo - Sé	Exhibition of the work of the artist Alexandre Mavigner and a series of lectures on the subject.

Brazil, São Paulo	"Instituto Meu Oceano" (My Ocean Institute)	The Institute "Meu Oceano" has been launched with a new perspective on the issue of marine waste; its main goal is to mitigate waste management issues along the Brazilian coast and focusing on Education in the developing cities in the cost lines. The Institute operates in the form of a school boat, performing Stopovers in Brazilian Coast Municipalities. Waste management in a coastal municipality is vital to ensure immediate and long-term solutions to marine pollution prevention. The Institute "Meu Oceano" explores and clearly establishes the link between efficient waste management and prevention of waste disposal in the oceans.  Main pillars of:  Education  Management and Public policies  Industries and Trade
Brazil, São Paulo	Samba Show Eventos Eireli	Waste Expo Brasil is the only commercial event in the country dedicated exclusively to the complete management of solid waste, recycling and the generation of energy through waste. It is an event dedicated to large generators of solid waste, public cleaning and biomass operators and dealers, scrap recyclers and processors, federal agencies and regulators, municipal public administrators, engineers and environmentalists.
Brazil, São Paulo	"COMOVER Arte Cultura e Meio Ambiente" (COMOVER Art, Culture and Environment)	The presentation exposed the economic impacts generated by the incorrect disposal and lack of organic solid waste management, and proposed a reflection on solutions for building a sustainable, resilient cities and bring awareness to the economic potential of land and waste resources.
Brazil, Serra Talhada	Municipal Secretariat of Environment of Serra Talhada	The Municipality of Serra Talhada and the Municipal Secretariat of Environment organized the "Attitude Change: Thinking about the Future is Acting Now!", event in educational institutions of the municipality. It lasted nine days with activities aiming at raising awareness of the population on the need to preserve the environment by maintaining a clean city, and therefore improving life quality through solid waste management. The lectures addressed topics such as the appropriate disposal of waste, selective collection, burning of urban waste, urban forestation and Green "IPTU". Different activities were held like planting of native seedlings, registration of Green "IPTU" (that gives 6% discount in the tax for residences that have trees on the sidewalks), Conversation Circles and workshops, as well as the installation of new Voluntary Delivery Points and distribution of educational pamphlets related to waste solids.
Brazil, Sorocaba	FACENS Faculdade de Engenharia de Sorocaba BRAZIL	Presentations, videos, workshops, rescue home game, inauguration of a Smart Village at the campus. Wood frame, Light steel frame, earth construction models.

Brazil, Uberaba	Municipal School of Santa Maria	The event "Friend of the Environment: Environmental Education and Social Entrepreneurship with School Leadership Groups" shared the environmental education project developed in the last 2 years at Santa Maria Municipal School, Uberaba-MG. The project is part of a doctoral thesis in Science, Technology and Society, Federal University of São Carlos - UFSCar, through which social and environmental education actions related to solid waste management are carried out in this school, with emphasis on selective collection, composting, creative gardening, rainwater harvesting, conscious consumption, information on how waste collectors work with urban waste (technical visits) and social entrepreneurship from the reuse of waste (like banners) from events carried out at universities. Through participatory methodologies, the actions involved the entire school community, cooperatives of collectors, universities and some private companies, promoting the confrontation of socio-environmental challenges diagnosed in the environment in which the children live. The message the event is: education and preservation of the environment go together.
Bulgaria, Sofia		Expert Group Meeting on tools to improve evidence-based housing polices
Burundi, Bujumbura	Ministry of Transport, Public works, Equipment and Territorial Development (MTTPEAT)	Declaration of the Minister of Transport, Public Works, Equipment and Spatial Planning.
Burundi, Ngozi Gitega Rumonge Bujumbura	Ministry of Transport, Public works, Equipment and Territorial Development (MTTPEAT)	Community sanitation and waste collection work in the towns of Gitega, Ngozi, Rumonge and Bujumbura.
Burundi, Bujumbura	Ministry of Transport, Public works, Equipment and Territorial Development (MTTPEAT)	<ul> <li>Community Works for Sanitation and Waste Collection</li> <li>Exhibitions of waste products by associations</li> <li>Exhibitions of animation groups</li> <li>Statements and speeches of circumstances</li> </ul>
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat and Ministry of Infrastructure, Spatial Planning and Housing	URBAN AGENDA WORKSHOP
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat, Quercus	UN-HABITAT PROGRAM IN THE GREEN MINUTE
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Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat and Castelão Association	URBAN DIALOGUE MEETING
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat and Uni-CV	MATERIALS DONATION
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat and Urban Ambassadors	CHILD, FRIEND OF ENVIRONMENT

Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat, Urban Ambassadors and Batucadeiras of São Pedro	URBAN DIALOGUE MEETING
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat and TCV	SECOND PROGRAM "DISCOVERY"
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat	FIELD MISSION
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat and Urban Ambassadors	URBAN DIALOGUE MEETING
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat	JORNALIST AWARENESS: URBAN SUSTAINABILITY
Cabo Verde		SECOND UN HABITAT PROGRAM IN THE GREEN MINUTE
Cabo Verde		OFFICIAL LAUNCH PSUP AND CITYRAP
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat, Uni-CV and RTC	LAUCH OF BITO AND BITA
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat, Uni-CV and RTC	URBAN PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat	FITNESS CLASS (Night Running Group)
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Cabo Verde		LAUNCHING BITO AND BITA AWARD COMPETITION UniCV
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat	URBAN AMBASSADORS NOMINATION
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat and Local Government	URBAN TOUR
Cabo Verde	UN-Habitat and Uni-CV	LAUNCH OF THE URBAN PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST
Cabo Verde	Nice Kriola	SUNSET RECEPTION OF AMBASSADORS
Chile, Santiago		Cities Conference II
China, Wuhan,		2018 Wuhan Placemaking Week
China, Xuzhou	Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, P. R. China, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Xuzhou Municipal Government, Shanghai Municipal Government	Forum on the World Cities, Practice Exhibition of Urban Sustainable Development, Cities Cultural Exchange
China, Xuzhou		Global Observance of World Cities Day 2018 in the People's Republic of China
China, Yinchuan	UN-Habitat and its strategic partners	Conference series on National Urban Policies

China, Yinchuan		Asian Townscape Award Ceremony
Colombia, Bogota	URBANPRO / ONU Habitat Colombia / Universidad del Rosario	Para la consolidación de una nueva alianza entre la ONU Habitat Colombia, la consultoría URBANPRO, y el programa de Gestión y Desarrollo Urbanos de la Universidad del Rosario, se lanza el primer evento de las Conversaciones Urbanas, reuniones de académicos y profesionales urbanos para discutir y debatir sobre temas claves del urbano contemporáneo colombiano.
Colombia, Bogota	Walk21	Walk21 Bogotá - The Walkable City
Colombia, Bogotá		EGM review of policy instruments contributing to socio-spatial segregation (Estratificación Socio-económica)
Colombia, Cartagena		FIABCI, World Congress
Colombia, Medellín		Urban Law Enforcement and New Urban Agenda
Colombo, Sri Lanka		Launch of State of Sri Lanka Cities
Costa Rica, Alajuela	Guaravito	A mejor ciudad, mejor calidad de vida
Costa Rica, San José		EGM Metropolitan Prosperity and Urban Integrated Operations in Central America
Costa Rica, San José		International Conference on New Urban Agenda and Central American Integration
Costa Rica, San José		XXXIV Ministerial meeting Central American Council on housing and Human Settlements
Cuba, Havana		Territorial Planning Congress
Ecuador, Quito	Ministry for Urban Development and Housing	Launch Event of the National Dialogue for the formulation of the National Habitat Policy and the National Urban Agenda.
Egypt		Pre-bid conference for bidding of "Ras Al Hekma" new water front city.
Egypt		Workshop for urban expansion management policies at Sakkara, Giza.
Egypt		AUC students visit to UNH/ Egy for better practical understanding of urban problems in Egypt.
Egypt		Singing ceremony for Hayenna new project with Swiss Fund.

El Salvador, San Salvador	COAMSS OPAMSS	Sesión ordinaria del Consejo de Alcaldes del Área Metropolitana de San Salvador-COAMSS, con el objetivo de desarrollar un espacios de intercambio colaborativo y generar conciencia sobre la importancia de avanzar hacia el desarrollo de una gestión metropolitana integral, que promueva la coordinación y cooperación entre los gobiernos locales. En esta celebración del Día Metropolitano, se pretenden promover iniciativas de acción colectiva y conjunta innovadoras entre los alcaldes del Área Metropolitana de San Salvador, y fomentar la generación de propuestas de políticas públicas que contribuyan a la implementación de la NAU. Tendremos como invitados especiales al Arquitecto Urbanista. Pedro Ortiz y a Rafael Forero, de ONU Hábitat.
France, Paris	UNESCO	Building sustainable and resilient cities
France, Paris		French Partnership Cities and Territories meeting
Germany, Duisburg	Kindernothilfe, Germany	Life in the City is no Child`s Play
Greece, Thessaloniki	Resilient Thessaloniki, Municipality of Thessaloniki	Thessaloniki 2030
Guinea Bissau	UN-Habitat	Urban Cinema - "Waste Land"
Guinea Bissau	UN-Habitat	Urban Walk - Urban Dynamic of the Bissau City
Guinea Bissau	UN-Habitat	Urban Phrase Contest with Public Primary Schools in Bissau
Guinea Bissau	UN-Habitat	Urban Breakfast and Bissau's Spatial Development Plan
Guinea Bissau	UN-Habitat	Radio Debate about the WHD theme: "Municipal Solid Waste Management" in Portuguese creole
India, AHMEDABAD	Faculty of Management, CEPT University	A business model for waste management
India, Bhubaneswar	Humara Bachpan Trust	Humara Bachpan Community child members conducted an awareness campaign through a rally, street play and dance at the Bhubaneswar Railway station.
India, Bhubaneswar	Humara Bachpan Trust	'Ek kadam swachhata ke aur' - One step towards a cleaner city; cleaner India.
India, Bhubaneswar	Humara Bachpan Trust	Across various cities, Humara Bachpan children, youth and women campaigned for 'Swachhata'-cleanliness through cleaning their neighborhoods, wall paintings, rallies and street plays.
India, Bhubaneswar	Humara Bachpan Trust	Best Out of Waste

India, Bhubaneswar	Humara Bachpan Trust	Humara Bachpan Community Members including women, youth and children, conduct a cleanliness drive to campaign for 'Swachh Bharat'-Clean India
India, Delhi	Centre for Urban and Regional Excellence	Door to Door Waste Collection and Segregation with support of East Delhi Municipal Corporation (EDMC)
India, Delhi	Youth for Unity and Voluntary Action	A discussion and workshop on municipal solid waste management to build resilient and sustainable cities.
India, DEWAS	JANSAHAS SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT SCIETY	One of modern India's great shame is the administrative and social failure to eradicate 'manual scavenging', the most degrading practice of untouchability in the country.
India, Lucknow	Integral University	A one day seminar on the theme of "Solid Waste Management in High Rise Buildings"
India, Mumbai	Youth for Unity and Voluntary Action	Discussion on municipal solid waste management, why waste management is so important, and how one can create alternatives through waste in their areas.
India, Muzaffarpur	Participatory Research In Asia	Consultation to raise awareness about the importance of sustainable cities and inspiring action for building resilience for more sustainable cities.
India, New Delhi	Oxford Brookes University (UK), The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), Development Alternatives and UN-Habitat	National workshop on Mainstreaming Sustainable Social Housing in India
India, New Delhi	UN-Habitat India, Centre for Science and Environment, Gates Foundation	Webinar - "Towards creating waste-wise cities"
India, New Delhi	UN-Habitat/Gol	Urban Café: River for Habitat
India, New Delhi	Government of India	World Habitat Day 2018
India, New Delhi	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India	World Habitat Day celebration as part of the two-year long celebrations from October 2, 2018 to October 2, 2020 across the country and all over the globe to mark the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.
India, New Delhi	Housing and Land Rights Network, India	Press Conference on World Habitat Day to discuss issues related to the realization of housing and land rights in urban and rural India; assess implementation of government schemes and policies in the context of India's national and international legal obligations; and, propose measures to be taken for the progressive realization of the human rights to adequate housing and land; to create sustainable and equitable habitats; and, to protect human rights, especially of marginalized communities and groups.
India, New Delhi	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	World Habitat Day

India, New Delhi	Government of India	World Cities Day 2018 will be observed with an urban café centered around the theme of "Habitat for River" to understand the intricate co-relationship between river and the city that will impact urban sustainability and resilience.
India, Trivandrum	Marian College of Architecture and Planning	World Habitat Day
Iran (Islamic Republic of), Tehran	UN-Habitat Iran	Commemoration of World Habitat Day during the 2-day annual National Conference on Housing Policies Development
Iran (Islamic Republic of), Tehran	UN-Habitat Iran	Celebration of World Habitat Day
Iran (Islamic Republic of), Tehran	UN-Habitat Iran	Consultation Workshop on International Guidelines on Urban and Territorial Planning and its Implementation in Iran.
Iran (Islamic Republic of), Tehran	UN-Habitat Iran	The World Cities Day will be celebrated jointly with Tehran Municipality.
Iran (Islamic Republic of), Tehran	Municipality of Tehran	Celebrating World Habitat Day
Iran (Islamic Republic of), Tehran	Ministry/Government	Consultation Workshop on International Guidelines on Urban and Territorial Planning and its Implementation
Iran (Islamic Republic of), Tehran	UN-Habitat Iran, Tehran Municipality and Urban Regeneration Company, Ministry of Roads and Urban Development	Celebration of World Habitat Day in a half-day event
Iran (Islamic Republic of), Tehran	UN-Habitat Iran, Ministry of Roads and Urban Development	Commemoration of World Habitat Day during the 2-day annual National Conference on Housing Policies Development
Iraq		Celebrating Housing Rehabilitation Activities in West Mosul
Ireland, Dublin	Engineers Without Borders Ireland	ARC2018: Achieving Resilient Cities & Communities
Japan, Fukuoka	UN-Habitat, ROAP, Fukuoka City	Urban October Exhibition
Japan, Fukuoka	UN-Habitat, ROAP,Fukuoka Prefecture	Urban October Exhibition

Japan, Fukuoka	UN-Habitat ROAP, Fukuoka Prefecture Educational Board; Saga Prefecture Educational Board; Nagasaki Prefecture Educational Board; Kumamoto Prefecture Educational Board; Oita Prefecture Educational Board; Miyazaki Prefecture Educational Board; Kagoshima Prefecture Educational Board; Kagoshima Prefecture Educational Board; Okinawa Prefecture Educational Board; Fukuoka City Educational Board; Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation; Fukuoka City International Foundation; NPO Asian- Pacific Children's Convention in FUKUOKA; Soroptimist International of the Americas  – Japan Minami Region	18th World Habitat Day Children's Drawing Contest
Japan, Fukuoka	UN-Habitat ROAP, FIEF,	The 46th Habitat Hiroba
Japan, Fukuoka	Fukuoka Prefecture, Fukuoka City	Municipal Solid Waste Management
Japan, Fukuoka		Asian City Journalist Conference
Japan, Fukuoka		Environmental Technology Expert Group Meeting
Japan, Fukuoka		International Workshop on localization and implementation of SDGs
Jordan	UNCT Jordan	UN Day Seminars
Kenya, KISUMU	Grassroots Trust for Community Organization in Kenya	World Habitat Day
Kenya, KISUMU	Grassroots Trust for Community Organization in Kenya	County Affordable Housing forum
Kenya, KISUMU	Grassroots Trust for Community Organization in Kenya	World Cities Day
Kenya, Mombasa	GoldfishPR	Beach cleaning exercise at Galu Beach- Diani Beach.
Kenya, Mukuru Slum		Community planning exercise with University of Tokyo
Kenya, Nairobi	Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI)	Public bicycle sharing (PBS) systems for African cities
Kenya, NAIROBI	MTUMBA COMMUNITY SSOCIETY	Clean up
Kenya, Nairobi	24:7 Entertainment	Taste of the City
Kenya, Nairobi	24:7 Entertainment	Urban Culture

Kenya, Nairobi	The Go Green Innovations Solutions	Make Nairobi A world-class Sustainable city
Kuwait	Abdullah Al Salim Scientific Centre	(AASC Academy Back to School Weekend)
La Paz, Bolivia		National Urban Forum of Bolivia
Lao People's Democratic Republic, Vientiane	Ministry of Public Works and Transport and private sector	WHD Celebrations
Lao People's Democratic Republic, Vientiene		MDG Goal WASH - MEKWATSAN Regional Meeting
Lebanon		Solid Waste Campaign
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Lebanon		Urban Breakfast: Good Municipal Solid Waste Practices
Lebanon, Beirut		C3 City Street
Libya, Benghazi	Libya Green Building Council	An event for raising awareness about sustainable architecture & sustainable cities.
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Malaysia, Ipoh	UrbanXHub	UrbanXHub@Ipoh: Becoming A Sustainable & Resilient City
Malaysia, PUTRAJAYA	MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF MALAYSIA	Photojournalism Competition; Government - Public Mutual Cooperation on Green Environment; "No Plastic Bag" Campaign; Publication of Habitat Magazine 2018; and the Launching Ceremony of World Habitat Day 2018 Celebration.
Mexico, México	Mujeres, Democracia y Ciudadanía A.C.	En el marco de Octubre Urbano, daremos una entrevista a la Radio Comunitaria Raíces, como parte de nuestra campaña de difusión por el Día mundial del Hábitat donde daremos a conocer las iniciativas que realizan diversas mujeres lideresas de base en sus comunidades.
Mexico, Mexico City		Presentation of CPI to mayors in Mexico — INFORNAVIT/UN- Habitat
Mexico, Toluca	Secretaría de Desarrollo Urbano y Metropolitano, Gobierno del Estado de México	Launch of an Urban, Metropolitan and Housing State Geographical System to identify the main urban indicators and relationship between municipalities.

Mexico, Toluca	Fundación Tláloc	En el marco del Día Mundial de las Ciudades, distintas organizaciones, como Atomium: Red de Divulgadores, Yoga Ananda y Fundación Tláloc, sumando la participación ciudadana; invitan a los habitantes del Valle de Toluca a disfrutar en la Ruta Recreativa Tolo en Bici, de una agenda llena de actividades lúdicas recuperando el folclor de la cultura mexicana con una exposición de Lucha Libre, donde el objetivo es sensibilizar, informar, reflexionar acerca de las ciudades que necesitamos construir en el siglo XXI, acordes la Nueva Agenda Urbana y a los Objetivos de Desarrollo Sostenible (ODS).
Morocco, Marrakech		MC2CM High-level event during Africities
Myanmar		Launch of the Climate Change National Policy
Myanmar, Yangon	UN-Habitat Myanmar	World Habitat Day
Nepal, Kathmandu	RECPHEC, UN-Habitat, Eco-builders, Lalitpur Metropolitan City	Promoting Eco-cities in Nepal
Nepal, Kathmandu	Department of Urban Development Building Construction (DUDBC), MuAN, CIUD, Lumanti, ENPHO, SONA, RUPSON, Habitat for Humanity, Homenet Nepal, PAF, GIZ, KVDA, Institute of Engineering, Kirtipur Waste Management Services, Nepal Women Unity Society	Press conference
Nepal, Kathmandu	DUDBC, UN-Habitat, MuAN, CIUD, Lumanti, ENPHO, SONA, RUPSON, Habitat for Humanity, Homenet Nepal, PAF, GIZ, KVDA, Institute of Engineering, Kirtipur Waste Management Services, Nepal Women Unity Society	Half day Interaction Workshop
Nepal, Kathmandu	Global Convenent of Mayors (GCoM), GCoM, UN-Habitat HQ	Training on Low Carbon and Climate Resilient Municipalities, Opportunities in Nepal
Nepal,Kathmandu	Centre for Integrated Urban Development, CIUD,UN-Habitat, DUDBC/Govt of Nepal	Urban Dabali talk on SWM
New Delhi, India		River for Habitat- World Cities Day 2018
Pakistan, Islamabad	UN-Habitat, IRRC	Field visit to solid waste management system, first pilot Integrated Resource Recovery Center
Pakistan, Lahore	OZPAK, The Nature Conservation & Protection Society & Waste Cleaners	Awareness, Table Discussions & Strategy building to tackle Solid Waste management related issues.
Palestine		Launching Palestine HCPD
Panama, Panama City		UNDG-LAC meeting with new chair

Panama, Panama City		Regional Platform on Migration, including theme cities and migration in LAC IOM/UNHCR/UN-Habitat
Philippines	UN-Habitat, Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB), Climate Change Commission (CCC), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC), League Of Cities Of The Philippines (LCP), and National Economic Development Authority (NEDA)	Launch of the Building Climate Resiliency through Urban Plans and Designs (BCRUPD) Blogs
Philippines	UN-Habitat, League of Cities of the Philippines	Launch Of Virtual Gallery of Current Cities' Waste-wise Initiatives
Philippines, Iligan	UN-Habitat, MSU-IIT Debate Varsity (MIDV)	Mindanao Urban Peace Debates
Philippines, Manila	UN-Habitat,Ateneo Debate Society (ADS)	Urban Debate Open
Philippines, Manila	Department of Budget and Management (DBM)	Green, Green, Green Launch & Recognition Event
Philippines, Manila	United Architects of the Philippines (UAP)	Forum on the Abridge National Urban Development and Housing Framework (NUDHF)
Philippines, Manila	UN-Habitat	Exhibit on Sustainable Practices
Poland, Katowice		24th Conference of Parties (COP-24) to UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
Republic of Korea, Songdo, Incheon	University of Utah - Asia Campus	SPECIAL LECTURE ON URBAN ECOLOGY - 'IMPROVING PUBLIC SPACE & URBAN GREEN' — Experiences in The Netherlands.
Russian Federation, Moscow	Moscow Urban Forum	Session "Circular city. City as an ecosystem for green businesses" in the framework of the Open Innovations Forum.
Rwanda, Kigali	Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), Rwanda Film Institute	The Urban Cinema
Rwanda, Kigali	Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), Ministry of Infrastructure (MININFRA), Rwanda Housing Authority (RHA)	Urban Walk
São Tomé & Principe	UN-Habitat	Urban Cinema - "Citizen Jane: Battle for the City"
São Tomé & Principe	UN-Habitat	Radio Massage about the WHD, WCD and UO activities
São Tomé & Principe	UN-Habitat	Whorkshop "Beleza Natural"
São Tomé & Principe	UN-Habitat	"Guerra ao plástico" project

São Tomé & Principe	UN-Habitat	"Principe verde" project
São Tomé & Principe	UN-Habitat	National Urban Forum in São Tomé & Principe
São Tomé & Principe	UN-Habitat	Radio Massage about the WHD and UO
Saudi Arabia	Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (MOMRA)	Saudi Urban Forum
Saudi Arabia, Riyadh		Saudi Urban Forum
Senegal, Dakar		Second Edition of the African Ministerial Forum on Housing and Urban Development
Serbia, Novi Sad	Center "Structure"	Climathon, a 24-hour hackathon by Climate-KIC
Spain, Barcelona	Catalan Agency for Development Cooperation	Knowledge mobilisation
Spain, Barcelona	UN-Habitat, Barcelona City Council	Celebrating World Cities Day in Public spaces
Spain, Barcelona	United Cities and Local Governments	Learning session on the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 12 (SDG12) in the framework of the 4th edition of the Global Social Economy Forum GSEF 2018 entitled: Social and Circular Economy in the objectives of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
Spain, Barcelona		Smart Cities Congress
Spain, Córdoba	Fondo Andaluz de Municipios por la Solidaridad Internacional FAMSI	Jornada "Economía circular y la gestión de residuos en el marco de la Nueva Agenda Urbana y los Objetivos Desarrollo Sostenible"
Spain, Madrid	INAP	1ª Jornadas de Urbanismo del INAP. La Agenda Urbana Local: Nuevo Modelo de Ciudad.
Spain, Madrid	OBSERVATORIO SOSTENIBILIDAD Y GABINETE DE HISTORIA NATURAL	PRESENTACION DEL 1 ANUARIO DE ECONOMÍA CIRUCLAR EN ESPAÑA Y SU RELACIÓN CON LOS OBJETIVOS DE DESARROLLO SOSTENIBLE
Spain, Madrid	ICHaB-ETSAM (Grupo de Cooperación de la Universidad Politécnica de Madrid)	COLOQUIO DÍA UNIVERSAL DEL HABITAT DE 2018 Y EXPOSICIÓN FOTOGRÁFICA
Spain, Madrid	UNESCO Chair on Gender Equality Policies in Science, Technology and Innovation (Department of Urban Planning - Universidad Politécnica de Madrid)	"Engendering Urban October. Integrando el género en las grandes operaciones de regeneración urbana" is the 7th Edition of the Engendering International Conference Series.

Spain, Madrid	ICHaB	Conmemoración del Día Mundial del Hábitat con dos eventos. En primer lugar, del 26-4 de Octubre está abierta la exposición interactiva "conVIVIRconBASURA" que recoge imágenes, noticias y otra datos que visibilizan el problema. En segundo lugar, el 1 de Octubre a las 19:00 celebraremos una mesa redonda en donde contaremos con la presencia Carmen Sánchez Miranda (UN-Habitat Spain) para dialogar sobre el problema y presentar experiencias de gestión de residuos en diferentes contextos.
Spain, Madrid	CSCAE	Presentation and implementation of the CSCAE Architecture Observatory that is configured as a work tool and commitment of the sector around the 2030 Agenda
Spain, Madrid	UN Habitat	Event, panel discussion: "Towards sustainable cities and communities: the New Urban Agenda in Spain"
Spain, Madrid	Innovation and Technology for Development Centre - Universidad Politécnica de Madrid	Ciudades del futuro. El caso de Medellín
Sri Lanka		Urban October
Sri Lanka, Colombo	UN-Habitat, Government of Sri Lanka, Government of Australia (Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade), SLIG	Launch of the State of Sri Lankan Cities Report
Sri Lanka, Colombo	Ministry of Housing and Construction, Sri Lanka	Urban October
Sri Lanka, COLOMBO	UN-Habitat Sri Lanka, Ministry of Housing and Construction	"Children's and Adults' Day" - 1st October 2018
Sri Lanka, COLOMBO	UN-Habitat Sri Lanka	Programmes to be implemented by the Ministry of Housing and Construction, Sri Lanka and related Government of Sri Lanka agencies
Sri Lanka, COLOMBO	UN-Habitat Sri Lanka, Ministry of Housing and Construction, National Housing Development Authority	Programmes for women on housing
Sri Lanka, Kurunegala	Ministry of Housing and Construction, Sri Lanka	World Habitat Day 2018
Sri Lanka, Kurunegala	National Housing Development Authority, Condominium Management Authority	Urban October
Stockholm, Sweden		8th meeting of the Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs)

Thailand, Bangkok	ESCAP, UN-Habitat and the National Housing Authority, Royal Thai Government, Asian Coalition for Housing Rights, Bangkok Metropolitan Authority, Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI), UN Environment	Seminar on Municipal Solid Waste Management
Thailand, Bangkok	ESCAP, UN-Habitat, Ministry of Social Development and Human Security of the Royal Thai Government and Asian Coalition for Housing Rights, Slum/Shack Dwellers International (SDI)	Inauguration of WHD and WCD
Thailand, Bangkok	Community Organisations Development Institute (CODI) of the Ministry of Social Development and Human Security, Royal Thai Government and Asian Coalition for Housing Rights	Inauguration of the Canal Housing Project
Thailand, Bangkok	Global Shapers in Asia-Pacific (an initiative of the World Economic Forum), https://www.shapeapac.com/partners-and-sponsors	Regional SHAPE event
Thailand, Bangkok	Four Regions Slum Network, Community Organisations Development Institute (CODI) of the Ministry of Social Development and Human Security, Royal Thai Government	Receipt of petition by Four Regions Slum Network of Thailand
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Coventry	The University of Warwick	To celebrate UN World Cities Day, the University of Warwick is holding a half-day event to showcase cities research.
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Glasgow City Region	Climate Ready Clyde	Climate Risk and Opportunity Assessment and discuss ways to help the City Region adapt to climate change.
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Liverpool		World Urban Campaign steering committee and related meetings
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Liverpool		World Cities Day Global Observance
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, London	Allies and Morrison	Shopfront exhibition that relates the theme of 'Building Sustainable and Resilient Cities' on the practice's work masterplanning complex sites within cities.
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, London		Meeting with head of DFID
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, London		Meeting Mayor of London
United States of America	FIABCI - International Real Estate Federation	New York meeting on Affordable Housing

United States of America	GrowNYC	Food Scrap and Clothing Collection
United States of America	Urban Democracy Lab @ NYU Gallatin	Rebel Cities:How to Dismantle Power Through Design
United States of America	Pratt Institute	Blue Week
United States of America	Fordham University	Environment psychology: 50 years later
United States of America	Fordham University	Healthy cities: Urban problems and solutions
United States of America	Constituent group for Children and Youth for the stakeholder platform, General Assembly of Partners	Inclusive Cities for AII: Public Space and the Role of Children and Youth
United States of America	New York City Environmental Justice Alliance	Climate Justice Conversations: Decolonizing and Decoding the Weather Machine
United States of America	UN-Habitat (Youth Unit),Public Safety Canada, World Bank,	Localizing the Youth Peace and Security Agenda: A Joint Country Study
United States of America	GrowNYC	Food Scrap and Clothing Collection
United States of America	UN-Habitat,James Beard Foundation, NYC	WASTE NOT: a conversation with Chefs and Policy Makers
United States of America	The Municipal Art Society of New York	2018 Summit for New York City: Shaping the City
United States of America	CITYarts, INC, ConEdison, NYC Department of Cultural Affairs, Colgate-Palmolive, West Harlem Development Corporation, Tiger Baron Foundation, Manhattan Borough President Gale A. Brewer, and Council Member Mark Levine,	CITYarts Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Following in the Footsteps of Alexander Hamilton Year 2 mural project
United States of America	New York University College of Arts & Science, Urban Design and Architecture Studies, Urban Democracy Lab at NYU Gallatin, Urban Design and Architecture Society	Public Space & Civic Life Introducing the Assembly: Civic Design Guidelines
United States of America	CITYarts, INC,Morgan Stanley, PLAYDAY, Barbarian, and Sindy Aprigliano	CITYarts Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Rising Up In The Community mural project
United States of America	CITYarts, INC, Abreva, TD Bank, Urban Catalyst Lab	CITYarts Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Flowering Vine and US mural project
United States of America	Urban-X, 100 Resilient Cities	Urban October Celebration
United States of America	Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization, UN-Habitat, Habitat Civil Society Working Group	Mobility, Health + Wellness, and the Public Realm: An Evening of Ideas, Challenges, and Solutions

United States of America	NYU Urban Planning Student Association	Building New Homes: Urban Policies to Address Migration Trends
United States of America	Cities of Peace, Armenia Permanent Mission	Youth conference on peace building
United States of America	Huairou Commission, National Congress of Neighborhood Women, James Weldon Resident Association, Manhattan District North Council	A Seat at the Table: Follow-up Meeting to Setting Public Housing Residents' Agenda for Change
United States of America	Marron Institute of Urban Management, NYU	Urban Expansion Program Open House
United States of America	NGO Working Group to End Homelessness, Institute for Global Homelessness -IGH-	Ending Homelessness: Floors and Roofs for All in the Sustainable Cities of the Future
United States of America	UN-Habitat, Rethink Food NYC, Culinart Groups, Bonbite, UN Delegates Dining Room	Rethink Food/Waste Lunch
United States of America	UN-Habitat (Legislation Unit), Urban Law Centre at Fordham University	Urban Law Roundtable on Cities and Climate Adaptation
United States of America	Liverpool, UK	Here Comes the Sun - Resilient Liverpool (EXHIBITION)
United States of America	Fordham University	Forced Displacement: The Unheeded Plight of Internally Displaced Persons"
United States of America	Consortium for Sustainable Urbanization (CSU), Columbia University - GSAPP - Urban Community and Health Equity Lab	Resilient and Healthy Cities
United States of America	International Federation for Family Development (IFFD), European Local Inclusion and Social Action network (ELISAN); UN-DESA	Inclusive and resilient cities for sustainable families Presentation of the Venice Declaration
United States of America	Permanent Mission of Gernamy, UN- Habitat, NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY	In Celebration of World Cities Day: Partnerships for Resilient Cities
United States of America		Urban Law Centre at Fordham University - Urban Law Roundtable on Cities and Climate Adaptation
United States of America	International Federation for Family Development (IFFD)	Inclusive and resilient cities for sustainable families Presentation of the Venice Declaration
United States of America	Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations	Celebration of World Cities Day

United States of America	NYC Compost Project Hosted by LES Ecology Center	World Habitat Day Compost Workday
United States of America , New York City	Huairou Commission	PUBLIC DIALOGUE: A SEAT AT THE TABLE: SETTING PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY RESIDENTS' AGENDA FOR CHANGE
United States of America, New York	BIRDLINK LLC with NYC Audubon Society	BIRDLINK Grand Opening at Williamsburg's East River State Park
United States of America, New York City	NYC Compost Project Hosted by LES Ecology Center	Hosted a special Compost Workday with a tour of the East River Park Compost Yard!
United States of America, New York City	GrowNYC	Zero waste programs - collection for food scraps or clothing at one of GrowNYC's Greenmarket farmers markets.
United States of America, New York City	Urban Democracy Lab NYU Gallatin	In our cities today, the built environment appears simultaneously immutable and precarious— immutable because it replicates entrenched power structures and precarious because, no matter one's claim on space, destruction, and displacement seem inevitable Together, we will think through the ways exclusion is inscribed onto urban spaces through planning, design, and architecture. Rebel Architecture is a moderated panel discussion; audience members are encouraged to bring questions, to take notes, and make their own designs during or after the talk.
United States of America, New York City	Pratt Institute, Pratt Sustainability Coalition	A week-long, campus-wide series of events to celebrate the life-giving force of water—fresh and salt, lake and ocean, on the coast and at sea.
United States of America, New York City	Fordham University	How can we make cities more healthy?
United States of America, New York City	Fordham University	How can Environmental Psychology (EP) address current social problems?
United States of America, New York City	Constituent group for Children and Youth for the stakeholder platform, General Assembly of Partners	This session will discuss public space from the perspective of young people and capture their observations, challenges, proposals, and solutions to contribute to equitable planning and policy reform regarding the issue.
United States of America, New York City	UN-Habitat NYO	World Habitat Day
United States of America, New York City	The Municipal Art Society of New York	The Municipal Art Society of New York (MAS) 2018 Summit
United States of America, New York City	CityArts	CITYarts Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Rising Up In The Community Mural Project at Alexander Hamilton Playground
United States of America, New York City	CityArts	CITYarts Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Rising Up In The Community Mural Project at the outer wall of the LIC Dog Park.

United States of America, New York City	NYU Urban Design and Architecture Studies	Public Space & Civic Life Introducing the Assembly: Civic Design Guidelines
United States of America, New York City	CityArts & Urban Catalyst Lab	"CITYarts Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Flowering Vine and US Mural Project project at St. James Triangle in Chinatown
United States of America, New York City	URBAN-X & 100 Resilient Cities	Urban October Celebration
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United States of America, New York City	NGO Working Group to End Homelessness	Ending Homelessness: Floors and Roofs for All in the Sustainable
United States of America, New York City	International Federation for Family Development	Inclusive and resilient cities for sustainable families Presentation of the Venice Declaration
United States of America, New York City	Huairou Comission	A Seat at the Table: Follow-up Meeting to Setting Public Housing Residents' Agenda for Change
United States of America, Philadelphia		ASLA Annual Congress
United States, District of Columbia	Habitat for Humanity International	This World Habitat Day, join Habitat for Humanity's global advocacy campaign, Solid Ground in advocating for land policies that decrease fear of forced eviction, promote gender inclusivity, improve living conditions of slums and promote disaster resilience.
United States, New York, Honolulu	FIABCI, the International Real Estate Federation	The Global Dialogue on Affordable Housing: Policy, Finance, Technology and Sheltering
Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of, Valencia	Gente de Soluciones	Foro sobre el manejo de desechos sólidos en la ciudad.
Viet Nam, Hanoi	UN-Habitat Vietnam, Academy of Managers for Construction and Cities,	Forum on Innovative Technological Solution of Solid Waste Management Toward Low-Carbon Economy
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Yemen	Ministry of Public Works - Department of Housing and Urban Development	Workshop: Housing Development in Yemen

# Media reports on World Habitat Day, World Cities Day and Urban October

Urban October presents UN-Habitat a unique opportunity to engage with the global community around specific messaging. This also results in a lot of outreach on social media and news distribution outlets. UN-Habitat's net tonality trended upward and was overall neutral. Media monitoring shows that there was an approximate number of editorial views reaching 48.4Million. This is also marked with an increase of editorial mentions by 1000.

UN-Habitat under urban October campaign hashtags garnered a total of 13400 mentions which had a reach of 175 Million. Twitter accounted for 90% of social volume followed with Facebook at 5% share. 144 countries were interacting with UN-Habitat messaging in this time period. Over 4000 people interacted with the first World Habitat Day post on social media while World Cities Day inaugural post had a volume reach of over 17,000 with a positive response.

#### UN invites institutions for mobilization month about sustainable urban development:

https://nacoesunidas.org/onu-convida-instituicoes-para-mes-de-mobilizacao-sobre-desenvolvi-mento-urbano-sustentavel/

#### Events in 29 Brazilian cities discuss sustainable urban development:

https://nacoesunidas.org/eventos-em-29-cidades-brasileiras-discutem-desenvolvimento-urbano-sus ¬tentavel/?fbclid=lwAR2RAaFJlz7pk45aiRcWc-7ku6oMdRPuGtER7cSAuzH8HglXftU5KqUJd2s

#### UN-Habitat Brazil promotes the Urban Circuit 2018:

http://www.capacidades.gov.br/noticia/327/onu-habitat-brasil-promove-o-circuito-urbano-2018

#### Resilience and sustainability are themes of the World Cities Day:

http://cbn.globoradio.globo.com/media/audio/224902/resiliencia-e-sustentabilidade-sao-te¬mas-do-dia-mu.htm?fbclid=lwAR0oTe31PPfq-oOiKJ6z0nZE-aYlkl-l1rrq1oneJSX¬VWf5BMTnRnHqoizQ

https://www.diariodoscampos.com.br/noticia/evento-vai-discutir-rumos-para-destinacao-inteligente-de-residuos

#### Event in Curitiba, happening next month, will discuss the paths to smart waste destinations:

http://www.aen.pr.gov.br/modules/debaser/visualizar.php?audiovideo=1&x-fid=79021&tit=Seminario-vai-discutir-rumos-para-destinacao-inteligente-de-residuos&fbclid=I-wAR0enumKPGneD7kp5SL9JGY-cYhew0ZvWrdMiC nxRl1SwFRoOEUNA vsUw

#### UN adopts board games to spread global goals among children of Maceió:

https://nacoesunidas.org/onu-adota-jogos-de-tabuleiro-para-divulgar-objetivos-globais-entre-cri-ancas-de-maceio/?fbclid=lwAR2-PTpKh8Sw4LK4URXPwHG4bi9UJfXjuvM39TlwBwigUXV-VYo3DQmi4C8Y

#### UN invites institutions for mobilization month about sustainable urban development:

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#### World Cities Day - UN agencies collaborations

UNESCO

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