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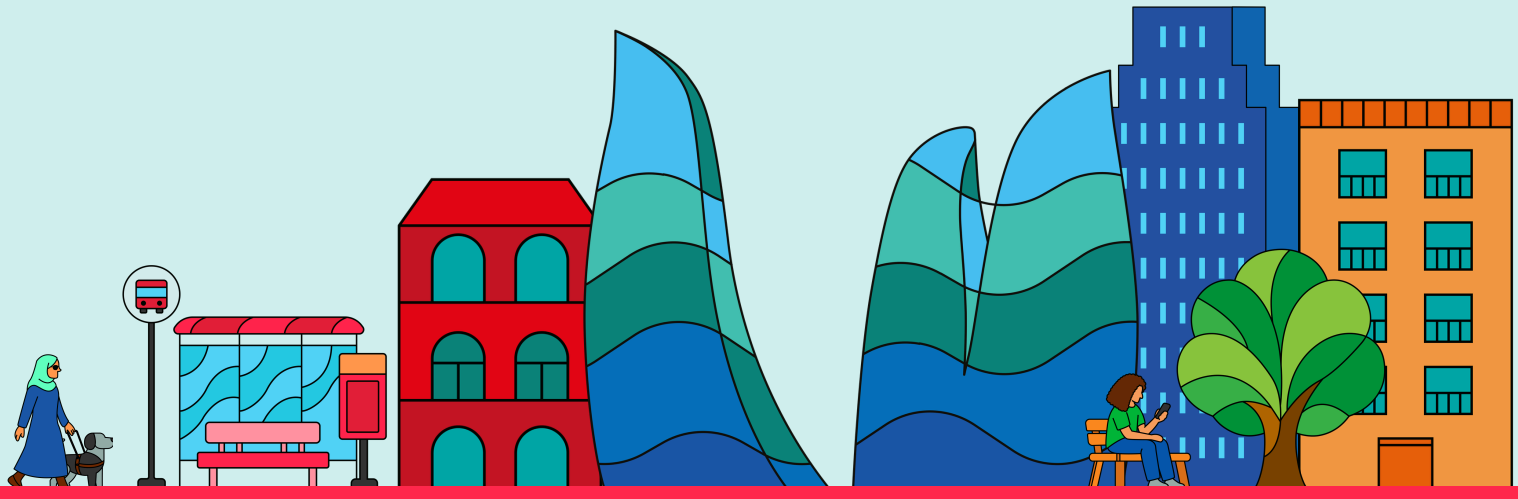
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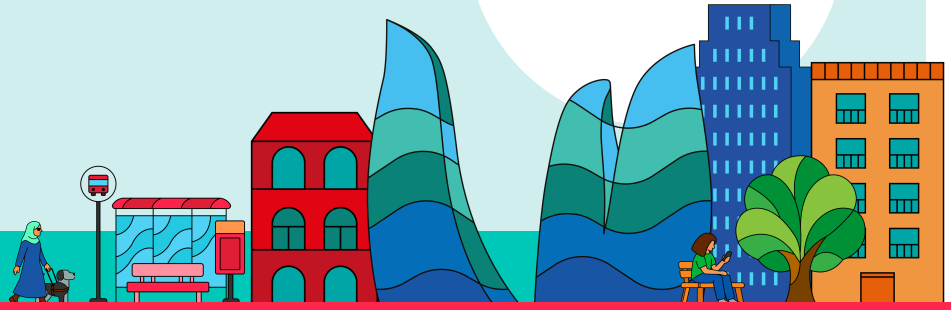


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RUNDOWN

17TH

13:00 – 17:00

Title: World Assembly of Local and Regional Governments: Local Leadership Shaping a Renewed Multilateralism
Organizers: GTF, UN-Habitat, Local2030
Venue: Roundtable room A

19TH

12:00 – 13:30

Title: Beyond Shelter Data Driven Housing for Better Quality Life
Organizers: Al Madinah Region Development Authority
Venue: Multipurpose Room 14

12:00 – 13:30

Title: Beyond the Hype - Where Private Finance Works for Cities - And Where It Doesn't
Organizers: ADB
Venue: Multipurpose room 15

12:00 – 13:30

Title: Bridging the Urban Leadership Gap-The Arab Mayors Academy as a Platform for Knowledge Sharing,Capacity Building and Impact
Organizers: UNESCWA - United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
Venue: Multipurpose room 06

12:00 – 13:30

Title: National SDGs Localization Frameworks and VNR–VLR Integration for Multilevel Governance and Territorial Impact
Organizers: Italian Ministry of Environment, Senegal, UN Habitat, Local2030
Venue: SDGs in Action - room C

12:00 – 13:30

Title: The Climate-Housing Nexus, Local Governance for a Just and Inclusive Transition
Organizers: C40 Cities, UK FCDO
Venue: SDGs in Action - room A

19TH

13:00 – 15:00
Title: Housing at the Centre of Global Coalitions
Organizers: Convened by UN-Habitat
Venue: Special Session room A

13:00 – 15:00
Title: One UN Roundtable
Venue: Roundtable room A

13:30 – 14:30
Title: NDCs 3.0: Urban Law and Multi-level Governance to Enable Climate Commitments
Organizers: RVO, Deltares, UN-Habitat, Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure - CDRI
Venue: UN-Habitat Arena

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Delivering SDG 11 through Housing - Supporting National and Local Action in the UNECE Region
Organizers: UNECE - United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
Venue: ONE UN room C

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Delivering SDGs In Action Closing the Gap through City-led SDG Delivery Platforms
Organizers: Urbanice Malaysia, Local2030 Coalition, UN-Habitat, UN ESCAP
Venue: SDGs in Action - room A

14:00 – 15:30
Title: From Global Commitments to Local Action Cities Delivering Affordable and Climate-Resilient Housing
Organizers: French Network of Urban Planning Agencies - French Partnership for Cities and Territories, AFD
Venue: Multipurpose room 05

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Integrating Housing and Climate Agendas - Perspectives from Brazil and the Global South
Organizers: WRI Brazil, Tide Setubal Foundation, TETO Brasil, Habitat for Humanity Brazil
Venue: Multipurpose room 11

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Local Leadership in Action - Applying the Housing and Human Security for All Model for Safer, More Inclusive Cities
Organizers: United Nations Trust Fund for Human Security, UN-Habitat, UCLG
Venue: Voices from Cities - room E

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Risk Assessment in War-Affected Cities Guiding Housing-Centered Recovery and Urban Reconstruction
Organizers: City Institute, Nordic Urban Resilience Institute, GIZ Ukraine, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction UNDRR
Venue: Multipurpose room 02

19TH

15:00 – 16:00
Title: Localizing SDG 6 and 11 - How Water and Sanitation Utilities Shape Housing and Urban Development
Organizers: Indah Water Konsortium Sdn Bhd
Venue: Urban Library - room B

15:30 – 17:30
Title: Pulse of healthy homes
Organizers:UN-Habitat, WHO
Venue: Special Session room A

15:30 – 17:30
Title: Local and Regional Governments Roundtable
Organizers: UN-Habitat, Local2030 Coalition, and the Global Taskforce of Local and Regional Governments (GTF)
Venue: Roundtable room A

16:00 – 17:30
Title: Driving Local Climate Action for Water Resilient Communities
Organizers: RVO, Deltares, UN-Habitat, CDRI
Venue: SDGs in Action - room A

16:00 – 17:30
Title: Financing Localization of SDGs through Integrating Local Financing Frameworks and Instruments (Local2030 Coalition)
Organizers: UNDP, Local2030 Coalition
Venue: ONE UN room C

16:00 – 17:30
Title: From Adequate Housing to Livable Communities - Building Sustainable Cities Together
Organizers: Fuzhou Municipal People's Government
Venue: Voices from Cities - room A

16:00 – 17:30
Title: Housing Solutions in Islands and High-Pressure Territories From Constraint to Opportunity
Organizers: Agenda 2030 IRLab - Government of Canary Islands
Venue: Voices from Cities - room B

16:00 – 17:30
Title: Towards a 360 degree Global Gateway Building Housing, Infrastructure and Local Economies Through Integrated Local Action
Organizers: SALAR International, European Commission - DG INTPA, UN-Habitat, Regional council of Rabat Sal Kenitra
Venue: Multipurpose room 04

20TH

09:30 – 1!:30
Title: From Local Wisdom to Climate Action - Community Driven Pathways to Resilient Housing and Greener Communities
Organizers: UNESCO, Naresuan University Faculty of Architecture Art and Design
Venue: Multipurpose room 10

20TH

11:30 – 13:00
Title: From Global Housing Finance to Local Affordable Housing Action: Leveraging Global Development and Subnational Finance
Organizers: World Bank Group and UN-Habitat
Venue: Think Pod

12:00 – 13:00
Title: SDG Localization: Driving System Change through Partnerships and Innovation
Organizers: Local2030, UN-Habitat, ROAS
Venue: UN-Habitat Arena

12:00 – 13:00
Title: Launch of SPACES guidance
Organizers: WHO, UN Habitat, UNICEF
Venue: Library Room A

12:00 – 13:00
Title: Regional Insights for Advancing Climate Finance Readiness and Frameworks for Local Action
Organizers: UNESCAP
Venue: Urban Library - room B

12:00 – 13:30
Title: Catalytic funding and support for building safe, resilient and inclusive cities
Organizers: United Nations Global Disability Fund
Venue: ONE UN room B

12:00 – 13:30
Title: Climate and Disaster Resilient Housing Bridging the Gap between Policy and Communities
Organizers: Asian Development Bank, Miyamoto International
Venue: Voices from Cities - room D

12:00 – 13:30
Title: From SDG Localization to Housing and Resilience Impact through Voluntary Local Review (VLR)
Organizers: Al Madinah Region Development Authority, UNESCWA, UN-Habitat
Venue: SDGs in Action - room C

12:00 – 13:30
Title: Housing as Care Infrastructure - Reframing Planning, Housing and Everyday Care
Organizers: Marmara Municipalities Union
Venue: SDGs in Action - room B

12:00 – 13:30
Title: Localizing Housing Finance - Connecting Cities, Communities and Investment
Organizers: UCLG, Ministry of European Union and Foreign Action of the Government of Catalonia
Venue: SDGs in Action - room A

20TH

12:00 – 13:30
Title: Multi-level cooperation in tackling the housing crisis - examples from cities and national governments around the world
Organizers: Association of German Cities, SALGA
Venue: Voices from Cities - room E

12:00 – 13:30
Title: The Cities Countdown to 2030 in action, Housing as a driver of Global Agenda delivery
Organizers: UCLG, Local2030 Coalition, UN-Habitat, Generalitat de Catalunya
Venue: Multipurpose room 05

13:00 – 15:00
Title: Cities as playing fields
Organizers: International Olympic Committee, UN-Habitat
Venue: Special Session room A

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Automating Area-Based Planning for Safe and Resilient Cities The IOM Localise - Google Partnership
Organizers: IOM
Venue: Multipurpose room 13

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Empowering Cities with Better Data - Accessible and Actionable Data for Policy and Decision Making
Organizers: OECD, Azercosmos Space Agency, ADB
Venue: Multipurpose room 07

14:00 – 15:30
Title: From Commitment to Impact - Advancing Quality of Life in Cities as One
Organizers: UNESCWA
Venue: ONE UN room C

14:00 – 15:30
Title: From Project Implementation to Policy Change - Building Water Resilient Cities
Organizers: UNESCWA
Venue: ONE UN room A

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Global Stocktake on SDG Localization: The climate-housing nexus for sustainable cities
Organizers: OECD, UN-Habitat
Venue: SDGs in Action - room C

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Investor Roundtable: How can MDBs support sustainable housing at the local level?
Organizers: European Investment Bank, ICLEI, AfDB, CDIA.
Venue: Multipurpose room 02

20TH

14:00 – 15:30
Title: Protecting Homes, Building Resilience - Nature and Urban Services in Informal Neighbourhoods
Organizers: GIZ, BMZ
Venue: Multipurpose room 04

14:00 – 15:30
Title: The social and economic power of housing - how municipalities worldwide drive transformation through partnerships
Organizers: Local 2030, BMZ
Venue: Voices from Cities - room E

16:00 – 17:30
Title: BiodiverCities by 2030 and the Opportunities of Climate Adaptation in Cities
Organizers: CAF, UN-Habitat
Venue: Voices from Cities - room D

16:00 – 17:30
Title: Local2030 KSN Knowledge-Based Approaches to Housing and Urban Resilience
Organizers: Local2030 Coalition, UN-Habitat, Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority (Jordan), and CeSPI ETS
Venue: Voices from Cities - room A

16:00 – 17:30
Title: Strengthening Urban Earthquake Preparedness ONE UN Solutions for Safer and More Resilient Cities
Organizers: UNECE, UNDRR, UN-Habitat
Venue: ONE UN room A

16:00 – 17:30
Title: Urban regeneration and housing. People-centered urban intervention to advance more sustainable cities
Organizers: Bilbao City Council, Department of Housing and Urban Agenda Basque Government, Shanghai University - China
Venue: Voices from Cities - room C

16:00 – 17:30
Title: Voices from Cities - Institutionalizing Urban Resilience through Subnational Local Programs
Organizers: Rio de Janeiro State - Secretariat for the Environment and Sustainability
Venue: Voices from Cities - room B

21ST

09:30 – 11:30
Title: Digital Housing Tools for Sustainable City Transformation Training for Local Government Leaders
Organizers: Hafencity University Hamburg
Venue: Multipurpose room 03

12:00 – 13:30
Title: Bridging the Gap for SDGs in Action Pairing Cities to Accelerate Local Climate Solutions
Organizers: UCLG – Asia Pacific
Venue: SDGs in Action - room A

21ST



12:00 – 13:30

Title: Building low-carbon housing - from National Policy to Local Action
Organizers: UNEP, UN-Habitat, UNECE, WRI
Venue: ONE UN room C



12:00 – 13:30

Title: Is the housing of tomorrow in line with the SDGs of today - How localization strategies help to bring us back on track
Organizers: German Institute of Urban Affairs, GIZ, and the Local2030 Coalition
Venue: Voices from Cities - room D



12:00 – 13:30

Title: Urban Practices in Crisis Response and Post-Disaster Reconstruction
Organizers: Urban Planning Society of China
Venue: Multipurpose room 13



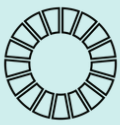
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Title: Inclusive Urban Resilience, Blue Economy and Sustainable Tourism in SIDS
Venue: Special Session room A



14:00 – 15:30

Title: Beyond External Finance - Can Cities Scale Their Own Revenues While Delivering Housing Solutions
Organizers: Associacao Nacional dos Municipios de Cabo Verde
Venue: Multipurpose room 15



14:00 – 15:30

Title: Citiverse in Action - Digital Innovation for accelerated localization of the SDG
Organizers: The Guangzhou Institute for Urban Innovation, ITU
Venue: SDGs in Action - room B



14:00 – 15:30

Title: Housing the SDGs: city-led solutions through SDG Cities
Organizers: Camara Municipal de Mafra, UN-Habitat
Venue: Voices from Cities - room C



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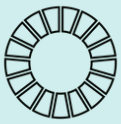
Title: Local responses - territorial governance and integrated solutions in Portuguese-speaking regions
Organizers: State of Paraná, Local 2030 Coalition, Guiné-Bissau and CESOP
Venue: Voices from Cities - room D



14:00 – 15:30

Title: Strengthening Health Outcomes Through Sustainable Housing Policies a Multisectoral Dialogue on Housing and Health
Organizers: WHO, UN Habitat, UNEP, UNECE, UNDRR, and UNICEF
Venue: ONE UN room A

21ST



14:00 – 15:30

Title: Transformative Partnerships for Resilience Community-Led Planning Enabling Affordable Housing and WASH for SDG Delivery
Organizers: Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development (Zambia), Water Aid Zambia
Venue: SDGs in Action - room A



14:00 – 15:30

Title: Urban Symmetry - Mainstreaming Sustainable Urbanization Through Trilateral South-South Cooperation
Organizers: Brazilian Cooperation Agency
Venue: Voices from Cities - room E



16:00 – 17:30

Title: From Global Agreements to Local Action Multi-Level Governance for Sustainable housing and resilient communities
Organizers: UNEP, UN-Habitat, IHS, ICLEI
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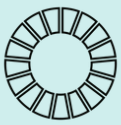
Title: Housing policies to strengthen climate resilience
Organizers: Local2030, Parana Hub, the Basque Government
Venue: Voices from Cities - room D

22ND



10:00 – 11:30

Title: From global goals to climate-resilient cities: Integrating SDG 11 and SDG 13 through Regional-level governance
Organizers: State Government of Rio de Janeiro
Venue: Voices from Cities - room D



10:00 – 11:30

Title: From Integrated Planning to Action -Project Platforms as a Tool for Decentralized Cooperation and SDGs Localization
Organizers: Joint Cooperation Unit of Ramallah Albira and Betunia Municipalities
Venue: SDGs in Action - room A



10:00 – 11:30

Title: From policy to practice: agrifood systems transformation as a key accelerator of the SDGs
Organizers: FAO, UN-Habitat
Venue: ONE UN room A



12:00 – 13:30

Title: Housing as a Driver of Socioeconomic Transformation in the Global South Lessons from Mi Casa en Bogota
Organizers: Alcaldia Mayor de Bogota, UN-Habitat, CAMACOL
Venue: Voices from Cities - room B



12:00 – 13:30

Title: Local economic development and housing. Building inclusive and resilient cities
Organizers: World Forum on Local Economic Development
Venue: Multipurpose room 13

22ND

12:00 – 13:30

Title: Localizing the Global Digital Compact at the City Level
Organizers: UNODET, UN-Habitat
Venue: ONE UN room C

12:00 – 13:30

Title: National Urban Policies and Housing. A Metropolitan approach to reach housing affordability
Organizers: Ministry of Housing and Urban Agenda (Spain), Metropolis (Spain)
Venue: Multipurpose room 06

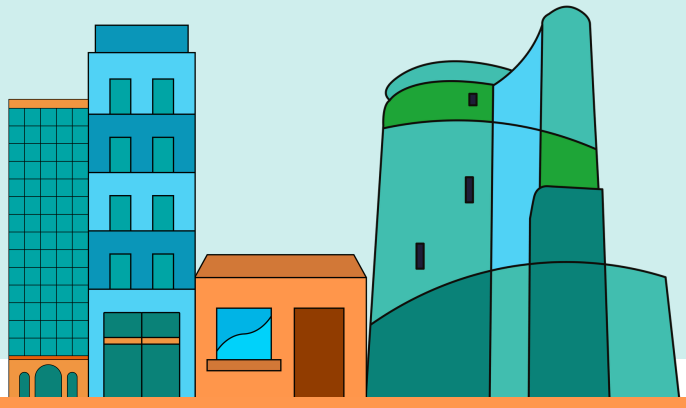
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Title: Turning Data into Better Cities Jordans Integrated Approach to Housing, Services
Organizers: Ministry of Interior of Jordan
Venue: SDGs in Action - room B

TBC

Title: Improving Urban Resilience Finance Accessibility - Connecting Cities with the Investors
Venue: Indian Pavilion

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