

Slum Upgrading: How Public Finances Leverage Household and Commercial Finance

Description of event:

The event focuses on identifying and utilizing local currency funds to fill the growing gap between the demand for shelter and services.

In this three hour networking event, participants will examine local currency finance innovations that have:

- Increased the access of city dwellers, including poor, to clean water and improved sanitation.
- Improved shelter for the urban poor.

Name of organization:

USAID/UN-HABITAT

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USAID is represented through a collaboration between its Office of Poverty Reduction Urban Programs Team, and its Office of Development Credit. The collaboration supports the cross cutting Making Cities Work Strategy.

The United Nations Human Settlements Programme, UN-HABITAT, is the United Nations agency for human settlements. It is mandated by the UN General Assembly to promote socially and environmentally sustainable towns and cities with the goal of providing adequate shelter for all.

Partner organizations:

Evensen Dodge International, the International Association of Local and Regional Development Funds, Shore Bank, TCG International LLC

Confirmed speakers:

Ms. Alexandria Panehal, USAID's Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade, Office of Poverty Reduction, Urban Programs Team

Mr. Fernando Gama, Evensen Dodge International

Mr. Anthony Pellegrini or Steven G. Thomas, International Association of Development Funds

Mr. Roger Williams, ShoreBank, USA

Mr. Chris Williams/Mr. Michael Mutter, UN-HABITAT

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