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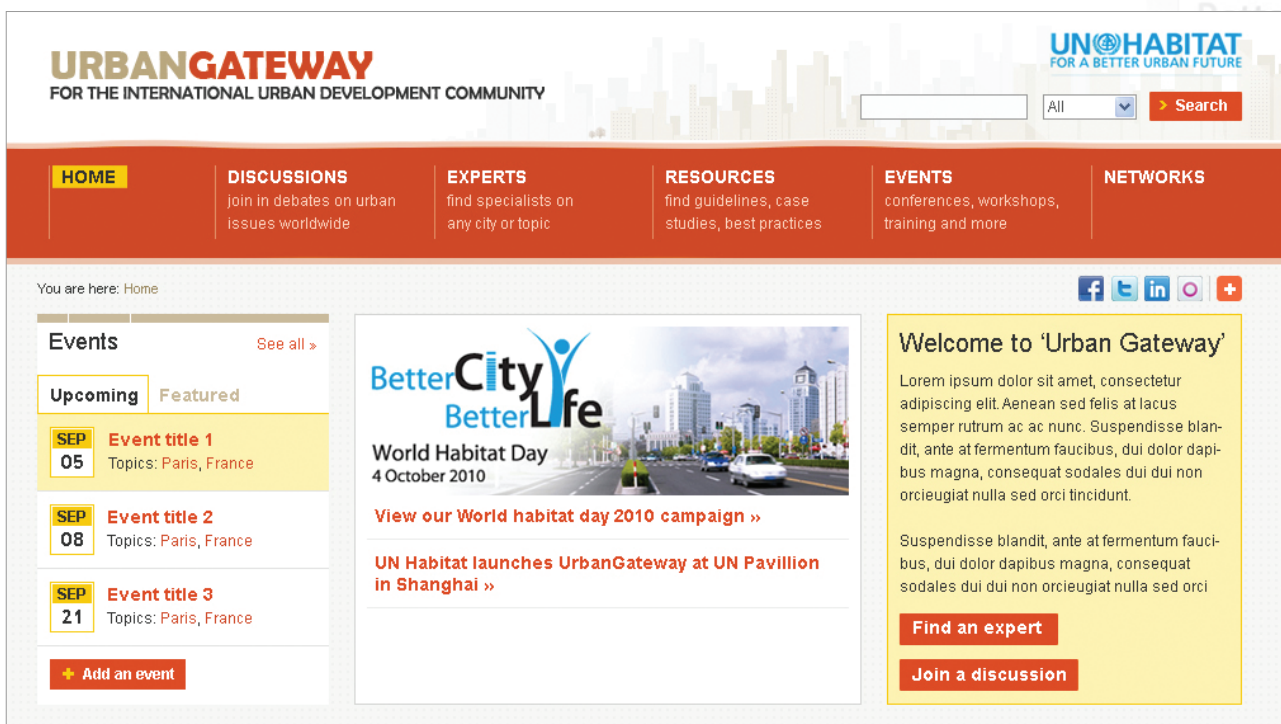
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On World Habitat Day this year, UN-HABITAT is launching a global internet gateway to enable promote the global discussion on how to manage our towns and cities better in a rapidly urbanising world.

The www.urbangateway.org website gives governments, local authorities, civil society organizations, the private sector, urban professionals and researchers a new opportunity to exchange best practices, collaborate on projects, share the latest thinking on urban matters and trends, find expertise, and mobilize resources for urban initiatives. Its features will include e-debates, peer networks, thematic groups, a database of experts, job zone, tenders, advocacy campaigns, and knowledge bank of best practices, case studies and urban programmes.

UrbanGateway is designed as networking, collaboration and advocacy platform for our partners, by our partners. This initiative, which also supports UN-HABITAT's World Urban Campaign, received enthusiastic support at the Knowledge for Cities seminar at World Urban Forum in Rio de Janeiro in March 2010. It enables those unable to attend the world's premier conference on cities to join the debates online and to maintain the momentum generated at the Forum.

UN-HABITAT expects and welcomes partners to join UrbanGateway. Partners who have already signed up include the Sustainable Urban Development Network (SUD-Net), civil society partners, academic institutions, and disaster management humanitarian actors.

