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Tuesday, 16 April 2013

## PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

**Tuesday, 16 April 2013**

8–9 a.m. **Medellin: Urbanization process in innovative cities** (conference room 3)

8.30–9.20 a.m. **Second Bureau meeting** (CE 110–112)  
Chaired by the President of the Governing Council

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. **Plenary. High-level segment** (conference room 2)

**Agenda items 5–7**

**Agenda item 5.** Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters

**Agenda item 6.** Dialogue on the special theme for the twenty-fourth session of the Governing Council

**Agenda Item 7.** Work Programme of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for the biennium 2014–2015

Continuation of general debate

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**Committee of the Whole** (conference room 1)

**Agenda item 5.** Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters

*Documents* HSP/GC/24/2 and Adds.1-8, HSP/GC/24/INF/2, HSP/GC/24/INF/3, HSP/GC/24/3 and Add.1

**Drafting Committee** (conference room 4)

Consultations on draft resolutions

12.30–2.45 p.m. Lunch break

1–1.30 p.m. **Press conference** (press centre)

3–6 p.m. **Plenary. High-level segment** (conference room 2)

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3–6 p.m.

Global Parliamentarians on Habitat Board of Directors (conference room 6)

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6.30 p.m.

**Cocktail to be hosted by UN-Habitat jointly with the Government of Colombia and the Municipality of Medellín** on the occasion of the launch of the seventh session of the World Urban Forum (by invitation only), delegates lounge, United Nations Gigiri Complex

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## REGIONAL AND OTHER GROUP MEETINGS

**Tuesday, 16 April 2013**

7.45–9 a.m.	<b>JUSCANZ</b> (conference room 13)
8–9 a.m.	<b>Group of 77 and China</b> (conference room 1)
8.15– 9.30 a.m.	<b>European Union coordination group</b> (conference room 14)
9–9.30 a.m.	<b>African States group</b> (conference room 1)
9–9.30 a.m.	<b>Latin American and Caribbean States group</b> (conference room 3)
9–9.30 a.m.	<b>Asian and Pacific States group</b> (conference room 4)
9–9.30 a.m.	<b>Central and Eastern European States group</b> (conference room 7)
9–9.30 a.m.	<b>Western European and other States group</b> (conference room 13)
1–2 p.m.	<b>(CLOSED) United States of America stakeholders consultation</b> (conference room 6)
1–2.30 p.m.	<b>Arab States group</b> (conference room 5)

## PRESS CONFERENCES IN PRESS CENTRE

**Tuesday, 16 April 2013**

12.30–1 p.m.	<b>Signing partnership agreement between UN-Habitat and Korean Transport Institute</b>
1–1.30 p.m.	<b>Press conference on the seventh session of the World Urban Forum</b>
2–2.30 p.m.	<b>Launch of community managed development fund for slum dwellers</b>

## CAUCUS MEETINGS

**Tuesday, 16 April to Friday, 19 April 2013**

8–9.30 a.m.	<b>Youth caucus</b> (conference room 9)
8–9.30 a.m.	<b>Women's caucus</b> (conference room 10)
8.30–9.30 a.m.	<b>Habitat Agenda Partners</b> (press centre)

**Tuesday, 16 April and Thursday, 18 April 2013**

9–10.30 a.m.	<b>Extended youth caucus</b> (conference room 8)
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## LIVE TV DEBATES WITH NATION TV

**Tuesday, 16 April 2013**

5–6 p.m.	<b>Debate sessions on sustainable cities in the 21<sup>st</sup> century</b> (Old Cafeteria) – part 1  The live TV debate will centre on the role of urbanization in urban economy, job creation and opportunities for youth.  Follow the live TV debate on <a href="http://papersmart.unon.org/habitatgc24">http://papersmart.unon.org/habitatgc24</a> within the United Nations Gigiri compound.
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## SIDE EVENTS

**Tuesday, 16 April 2013**

1.30–2.30 p.m.	<b>Habitat Agenda partners consultative forum</b> (conference room 9)  The Habitat Agenda partners consultative forum aims to explore how to strengthen partnerships with key Habitat Agenda partners, especially through enhancing civil society participation in policy dialogues; the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of urbanization and human settlements programmes; capacity-building; advocacy; and the
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fostering of accountability and aid effectiveness at the all levels.

**Environmentally sustainable transport forum for Africa** (conference room 10)

The hosts of the event will be the Africa Transport Policy Programme and the World Bank, in partnership with the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the United Nations Centre for Regional Development. The event will provide a key African forum for high-level discussions on the interconnected areas of common interest of transport, environment, human health and human settlements. It will draw from the experiences of Regional environmentally sustainable transport programmes established in Asia and Latin America and will support Africa's participation in the discussions on sustainable transport in the post-2015 development agenda

**New generation of national urban policies: what works and what doesn't** (conference room 13)

Participants will discuss the urbanization process from a national policy perspective. Presentations will be made on case studies of countries in the North and the South on steps taken to address the challenges and opportunities presented by urbanization. Recent evolutions, based on evidence of how to articulate urbanization and economic development and poverty alleviation, will also be discussed, as will effective instruments that could be included in a new generation of national urban policies.

**Achieving sustainable energy access for the urban poor** (conference room 14)

The benefits of improving access to modern energy services in urban and peri-urban areas are transformational: lighting for productive activities, increased security, energy for basic service provision, including water and sanitation, cleaner indoor air, faster food-processing and cooking, more income-generating opportunities, industrial development and others. Energy is one essential factor in unlocking the productive potential of cities. Improving urban energy access must become one of the most important objectives in fighting poverty in the twenty-first century. Through dialogue and interaction, the stakeholders participating in this event will discuss advances in achieving energy access for the urban poor.

**Urbanization: catalyst for or impediment to women's empowerment?** (conference room 11)

Participants at this event will discuss the linkages between urbanization and gender, specifically how women are positively affecting the urban landscape and how the urban landscape in turn facilitates or impedes women's and communities' empowerment. The main purpose of this event is to enable participants to deliberate on and understand how women worldwide are turning oppression into opportunity and the role that urbanization plays in the process.

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4.30–5.30 p.m.

**Recycling project** (conference room 14)

Inappropriate waste disposal is an issue for major urban centres. Participants will discuss a recycling initiative that is socially, environmentally and economically important to the modern world in that it provides ways to improve health conditions, provide better and more affordable housing, increase the feeling of well-being in the neighbourhoods where the initiative is implemented and provides a source of income for recyclers.

**Global Housing Strategy** (conference room 9)

The UN-Habitat Global Housing Strategy is a collaborative global movement aimed at achieving adequate housing for all and improving the housing and living conditions of slum dwellers. Its main objective is to assist member States in working towards the realization of the right to adequate housing. The Strategy was initiated by the Governing Council in its resolution 23/16. To achieve the goal of adequate housing for all, the backbone of the Strategy will rely on the principles of inclusive cities as the sound foundations for sustainable urban development. Inclusive cities are achieved by mainstreaming human rights in urban development, including housing and slum upgrading, to ensure social integration, aiming for the elimination of the urban divide.

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**Innovative options for managing city drainage** (conference room10)

This event provides a good opportunity to raise awareness among policy makers of the issue of drainage as well innovative solutions that can address the problem. Experts will present best practices, appropriate technologies and new sustainable applications and solutions, outlining cost effective, easily managed and resilient alternatives to conventional ways of managing urban drainage.

**Securing land tenure in the context of women's empowerment** (conference room 11)

The objective of the event is to gather key partners of the Global Land Tool Network to discuss the initiative for improving women's access to economic opportunities, particularly with regard to acquiring land and property rights. The goal of this initiative on women's secure tenure is to create and promote a roadmap that will facilitate the development of policies and practices to improve women's secure tenure across the legislative, administrative and development sectors at all levels.

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**NEW INFORMATION FOR DELEGATES**

Should any delegation wish to book a room for bilateral meetings or consultations, conference room 5 has been allocated for the duration of the week for that purpose. The room is available from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. A sign-up sheet for reserving the room will be set up at the main entrance door of the room.

For any questions or clarification you may have on the booking of the room, please contact the Meeting Coordination Unit of the Division of Conference Services at [dcu-mcu@unon.org](mailto:dcu-mcu@unon.org).

**HIGHLIGHTS of Monday, 15 April 2013**

Ms. Amal Pepple, Minister of Housing, Land and Urban Development for the Federal Republic of Nigeria, was elected President of the Governing Council for its twenty-fourth session. She replaced Mr. Albert Nsengiyumva, the Minister of Infrastructure of Rwanda, President of the Governing Council at its twenty-third session.

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For the first time ever, the opening ceremony of UN-Habitat's Governing Council was broadcast live on a broadcast television station, NTV, covering the East African region and beyond. The opening ceremony was graced by the presence of H.E. Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya, who addressed the assembled participants.

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