

World Habitat Day
Cities magnets of hope

Russia, Tatarstan, Kazan
October 3-5, 2006

Organizers:

UN Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)
United Cities and Local Governments, Euro-Asia Regional Section
Kazan City Municipality

Tuesday, October 3

6.00-12.00	Arrival of the participants
12.00-14.00	Lunch
14.00-16.00	Study tour to see results of the Kazan programme to rehabilitate dilapidated housing
16.30-18.00	<p>Presentation of project "Clear water is a hope source" of the city of Yaroslavl, by Mayor of Yaroslavl V. Volonchunas Venue: National Culture Centre "Kazan"</p> <p><u>Opening remarks:</u> Jane Nyakairu – UN-HABITAT Irshat Minkin – First Deputy Chief of the Executive Committee of Kazan</p> <p><u>Parallel Session:</u> Meeting of revision committee on the results of 2004- 2006 activity of Euro-Asia Regional Section of World Organization of United Cities and Local Governments. Venue: Headquarters of UCLG Euro-Asia Regional Section.</p>
18.30-20.30	Cultural Program

Wednesday, October 4

8.30-9.00	Registration of the participants in Kazan City Hall
9.00-10.30	<p>World Habitat Day and award ceremony to recognize special contribution to sustainable development of human settlements <i>Chairman: Mayor of Kazan Ilsur Metshin</i></p> <p><u>Statements:</u> Rustem Minnikhanov – Acting President of the Republic of Tatarstan, Prime-Minister of the Republic of Tatarstan Farid Mukhametshin – Chairman of State Council of the Republic of Tatarstan Kamil Iskhakov - Plenipotentiary Representative of the President of Russia in Far East Federal Region, President of the UCLG Euro-Asia Regional Section Sietske Steneker – United Nations Resident Coordinator in Russia Anna Tibajuka – United Nations Under-Secretary-General and UN-HABITAT Executive Director</p> <p>Presentation of awards Presented by Mrs. Tibajuka, Mr. Kamil Iskhakov and Mayor Ilsur</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Xxx Diplomas to Russian cities for xxx ▪ Building and Social Housing Foundation World Habitat Awards ▪ Habitat Scroll of Honour awards <p>Statements by award winners Closing remarks - Mayor Ilsur Metshin</p>
10.30-11.00	Break
10.30-11.00	<p>Closed session of UCLG Euro-Asia Council <i>Chairman: President of UCLG Euro-Asia Mr. Kamil Iskhakov</i></p>
11.00-12.30	<p>Extracurricular General Assembly of Euro-Asia Regional Section of World Organization of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG Euro-Asia) Venue: Kazan City Hall <i>Chairman: President of UCLG Euro-Asia, Plenipotentiary Representative of the President of Russia in Far East Federal Region Kamil Iskhakov</i></p> <p><u>Welcome remarks:</u> Mrs. Anna Tibajuka - UN Under-Secretary-General and UN-HABITAT Executive Director</p>

	<p>Sara Hoeflich de Duque – Official representative of the Secretary General of the World Council of United Cities and Local Governments</p> <p>General Assembly</p>
12.30-14.00	<p>Press-conference</p> <p>Exhibitions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dilapidated Housing Elimination Program ▪ Children drawings on theme of <i>Cities – magnets of hope</i>
14.00-15.00	Lunch
15.30-17.00	<p>UN-HABITAT Seminar “Problems in Achieving Sustainable Development of Cities” <i>Chairman: Head of the Executive Committee of the City of Kazan. Marat Zagidullov</i></p> <p><u>Reports:</u> M.Khusnullin – Minister of Building and Housing of Tatarstan Eduardo Moreno – Chief, UN-HABITAT Global Urban Observatory Rajivan Krishnaswami – Representative of the Cities Alliance World Bank Programme P.Pimashkov – Mayor of Krasnoyarsk I.Mersianova– General Director of Executive Direction of Association of Siberian cities. M.Temirbayev – Mayor of Grozny N.Lyashenko – Mayor of Budennovsk I.Gafurov – Mayor of Elabuga Municipal Region (Republic of Tatarstan) I.Semenov –General Director of International Centre "Best Practices" Addresses of World Habitat Award and Habitat Scroll of Honour winners</p>
17.00-18.00	Excursion to cultural heritage sites of Kazan
18.30	Reception hosted by the Mayor of Kazan Ilсур Metshin. Concert.
Thursday, October 5	
9.00-12.30	Tour to Bogoroditsky Raifsky men’s monastery and Zilantov women’s monastery