



SDG | INCLUSIVE CITIES: LAST MILE DELIVERY IN SLUMS AND INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS

Leave No One Behind -
Social Development Track

EVENT DETAILS

EVENT TITLE:	Inclusive Cities: Last Mile Delivery in Slums and Informal Settlements
DATE:	03 November 2021
IN ASSOCIATION WITH:	Aga Khan Development Network, Siemens and UN Habitat
CO-CURATE PARTNERS:	UN Habitat
TIME:	11:00 – 18:30
VENUE:	The Nexus for People & Planet & UN Hub



EVENT SUMMARY

By 2050, 70% of the world's population will be living in urban areas and the number of slum dwellers will increase to 3 billion. Such rapid pace of urbanisation threatens to put unprecedented pressure on urban infrastructure, making it prone to disease outbreaks and limit service provision capacities.

SDG 11 intends to make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable by 2030, leaving no one behind. Urban areas are home to diverse communities and groups including indigenous people, refugees, and migrants, which add immense value and vibrance to cities. This day-long event, **Inclusive Cities: Last Mile Delivery in Slums and Informal Settlements, co-curated by UN-Habitat**, brings together eminent experts from across the world to draw attention to inclusive solutions for building safe, resilient, and sustainable settlements.

AGENDA

TIME	ACTIVITY
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11:00 – 12:00	Registration
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12:00 – 12:07	Welcome
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Mr. Kennedy Odede, Founder & CEO, Shining Hope for Communities and **Ms. Zoe Tabary**, Thomas Reuters Foundation will outline the diverse sessions of the day; spotlighting case studies, panel discussions and fireside chats with key stakeholders, to promote effective models of slum upgradation and frameworks for improved access to essential services making positive social and economic changes in many cities.

12:07– 12:15	Opening Remarks
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Ms. Maimunah Mohd Sharif, Under-Secretary General and Executive Director, United National Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) will share a video address spotlighting progress made towards achieving the SDGs in urban slums and informal settlements.

They will highlight the value of sustainable urbanisation as well as the prioritisation of the New Urban Agenda - a comprehensive framework designed as an accelerator of the SDGs, particularly SDG 11, to guide and track urbanisation around the globe while ensuring that nobody is left behind.

12:15 – 12:50 Building Inclusive Cities

Zoe Tabery will introduce a roundtable discussion identifying priority areas and action for diverse stakeholders who have a role in fostering sustainable urban development with an emphasis on urban slums and informal settlements.

The former Special Rapporteur for Housing and Global Director of The Shift, **Leilani Farha** will set the scene of how we build inclusive cities and provide adequate housing for marginalised groups.

Panelists will share insights and learnings from models of slum upgradation and frameworks for improved access to essential services including health, education, water, and sanitation that have proven to make positive social and economic changes in their respective communities.

The roundtable will include participation from **Balakrishnan Rajagopal**, UN Special Rapporteur for the Right to Adequate Housing (VIRTUAL), **Ms. Freda Prempeh** (MP), Minister of State, Ministry of Works and Housing, Government of the Republic of Ghana (VIRTUAL), **Washington Fajardo**, Urban Planning Secretary, Municipality of Rio de Janeiro and **Somsook Boonyabancha**, Secretary General, Asian Coalition for Housing Rights to share recommendations, best practices and inputs based on their work on ground. The session will be followed by a Q&A from the audience.

12:50 – 13:00 Reflections

Kennedy Odede and **Sameh Wahba**, Global Director, Urban, Disaster Risk Management, Resilience and Land Global Practice, World Bank will share reflections on the session and key takeaways.

13:00 – 13:07 Slums Today – Snapshot

Outlining trends, challenges and opportunities, informal settlements and COVID-19, **Eduardo Moreno**, Head, Knowledge and Innovation, UN-Habitat will highlight the growing number of slums across different geographies, spanning different continents.

13:07 – 13:30 Creativity and Pride in Slums

Kennedy Odede will lead a series of interactive presentations and statements by selected artists, **Octopizzo** and **Fernando Mereilles**.

13:30 – 13:32 Sharing Stories from Slums

Join for a short video screening of successful slum upgrading programmes led by UN-Habitat.

13:32 – 14:30

From the Ground Up | Successful Innovations for Delivery Systems

This is a series of four short and inspirational talks highlighting enterprising solutions from the slums that are contributing to creating more inclusive communities and settlements, including Expo Live and Global Best Practice Programme Projects.

Moderated by **Ana Claudia Rossbach**, Regional Manager LAC, City Alliance, and **Patrick Canagasingham**, Chief Operating Office, Habitat for Humanity, these case studies will showcase stories of resilience and the benefits of a participatory approach, required in developing sustainable solutions for challenges such as systemic poverty and inequality in cities and highlight the value of giving greater focus to housing, basic services, sustainable mobility, and connectivity in informal settlements.

Speakers will share key takeaways on their approach to designing solutions and their learnings on what needs to be prioritised in informal, urban settlements.

Case Study 1: Dr Sasha Kramer will share the story of leading Sustainable Organic Integrated Livelihoods (SOIL), a successful innovation model which has brought about a sanitation revolution in Haiti

Case Study 2: Vincentia Koranteng-Asante, Community Leader, Ga Mashie Community, Accra (Ghana), will shed light on UN-Habitat's Participatory Slum Upgrading Program, which addresses the living conditions of slum dwellers by directly engaging with communities on areas such as livelihood, housing, water, and sanitation.

Case Study 3 Emily Roell will highlight the story of upgrading city spaces and preserving heritage through Doh Eain, a Myanmar based nonprofit which focusses on participatory design practice dedicated to making cities better.

Case Study 4: Lucy Livesley, will share insights on building and investing in innovative housing models at Reall.

14:30 - 14:45

Coffee Break

14:45 – 14:55

Reflections

Zoe Tabary and **Violet Shivutse**, Chair & Africa Regional Representative, Huairou Commission will share reflections on the earlier session and key takeaways.

14:55 – 15:25 **Youth Voices for Inclusive and Sustainable Urban Development**

Cities have become younger- it is estimated that 60% of urban populations will be under the age of 18 by 2030. To explore this further, this panel will focus on youth perspectives on creating and implementing strategies and solutions for innovative and sustainable approaches towards urban development.

Moderated by **Kennedy Odede**, the panel discussion will include **Gurmehar Kaur**, Student Activist & Author (VIRTUAL), **Samuel Malinga**, Founder, Sanitation Africa and **Roziyamo Hokimshoeva**, Co-founder, Pamir Innovation Hub highlighting ways through which youth culture can be harnessed to advance sustainable urbanization. The discussion will be followed by a short audience Q&A.

15:25 – 15:27 **Inclusive Cities**

Join for a short video screening showcasing artistic talents within slum neighbourhoods.

12:00 – 12:45 **Slums and Safety: Building blocks for gender responsive and safer informal settlements**

Zoe Tabary will introduce a workshop featuring a one-on-one conversation on the measures and innovations that can help mainstream gender equality into urban planning. It will shed light on the different ways in which women and men, girls and boys, experience urbanisation and cities.

Join **Violet Shivutse**, Chair & Africa Regional Representative, Huairou Commission, **Daniel Tillias**, Board Member and Co-Chair, Sustainable Organic Integrated Livelihoods (SOIL) and **Emilie Röell**, Founder and Director, Doh Eain as they outline ways to ensure the full integration of women and girls in the economic, social, political, and cultural life of cities.

15:45 – 15:55 **Reflections**

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Deep Dive Sessions: Deep Dive Part 1 Learnings from Successful Public Sector-led Slum-Upgradation Interventions

These sessions will focus on how to identify priority actions required and how local and national governments can build their capacity to effectively manage, deploy, and regulate the use of technology to enable last-mile delivery in slums and informal settlements through representatives sharing successful case studies.

Led by **Robert Lewis-Lettington**, Chief Housing and Shelter Section, UN-Habitat, the following representatives, **Benjamin Armah**, Coordinating Director Presiding Member, Accra Metropolitan Assembly, **Thipparat Noppaladarom**, Advisor, Community Organizations Development Institute (CODI), Government of the Kingdom of Thailand (VIRTUAL) and **Sameh Wahba**, Global Director, Urban, Disaster Risk Management, Resilience and Land Global Practice, World Bank will shed light on the learnings, as well as best practices applied in slum upgradation and the role of governments in ensuring adequate housing for all.

Deep Dive Part 2 Leveraging Public / Private Partnerships for Inclusive and Sustainable Urbanisation

This session will include perspectives on the challenges and opportunities for financing partnerships for sustainable urbanisation that is inclusive of informal settlements and slums. It will also invite private stakeholders to comment on specific entry points and opportunities for partnerships between governments, investors, financing partners to discuss innovative solutions for slum upgrading that can be invested in.

Moderated by **Anaclaudia Rossbach**, hear from **Wsahing Fajardo**, Urban Planning Secretary, Municipality of Rio de Janeiro and **Mohammed Amine El Hajhouj**, CEO SAZ by CDG and **Kennedy Odede**.

Both sessions will be followed by a short Q&A and provide opportunities for audience to ask experts.

17:05 – 17:15

Break

17:15 – 18:15

Launch of the UN-Habitat Roadmap

The launch will take place in the Nexus for People and Planet.

Eduardo Moreno, Head, Knowledge and Innovation, UN-Habitat will introduce the session of the symbolic launch; providing a strategic moment for the global community to learn from UN Habitat's decades of work towards achieve SDG 11. The launch will feature speakers from partners as well as invite more partners to participate in different milestones to be announced.

Presentation on the Roadmap and key findings

- **Kerstin Sommer**, Programme Manager, Participatory Slum Upgrading Programme, UN-Habitat.

High-level Statements on the Roadmap

- **H.R.H. Dr. Reem Bint Mansour Al Saud**, Former Member, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's Permanent Delegation to the UN (VIRTUAL)
- **Irene Campos Gómez**, Minister of Housing and Human Settlements and President of the Board of Directors of Banco Hipotecario de la Vivienda (BANHVI)

Remarks and Reflections on the Roadmap and discussions hosted during the day

- **Mamaloko Kubavi**, Department of Human Settlements (DHS), Republic of South Africa
- **Aditya Bahadur**, Principal Researcher - Human Settlements, International Institute for Environment and Development (VIRTUAL)
- **Patrick Canagasingham**, Chief Operating Office, Habitat for Humanity
- **Paolo Ciccarelli**, Head of Unit F4 – Sustainable Transport and Urban Development, European Commission – International Partnerships
- **Marie Huchzemeyer**, Professor of Architecture and Planning at WITS University, South Africa

18:15 – 18:30

Closing

The closing session will involve **Dena Assaf**, United Nations Resident Coordinator for the United Arab Emirates and **Robert Lewis-Lettington**, Chief of Section, Land, Housing and Shelter, UN-Habitat summing up the key takeaways from the day and sharing a note on hope and a call to action for inclusive development for cities.

18:30 – 20:00

Guided Tours
Opportunity Pavilion
2 IP Pavilions in Opportunity District