

**Second Arab Ministerial Forum for Housing and Sustainable Urban Development
“Implementing the New Urban Agenda in the Arab Region”**

Rabat, Morocco
21-23 December 2017

Tentative Agenda

Wednesday 20 December 2017	
17:30 - 19:00	Registration
Thursday 21 December 2017	
08:00 - 09:00	Registration
Opening Session	
09:00 - 10:00	<p style="text-align: center;">2nd Arab Ministerial Forum for Housing and Urban Development</p> <p>Moderator: Host Country - Morocco</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● H.E. Saad Al-Din AlOthmani, Prime Minister, Morocco (tbc) ● H.E. Minister of National Planning, Urban Planning, Housing and Urban Policy, Morocco (tbc) ● Aisa Kirabo Kacyira, Deputy Executive Director, UN-Habitat ● Ahmed Mohamed AlSubeih, Secretary General of Arab Town Organization (tbc) ● H.E. Ambassador Dr. Kamal Hassan Ali, Secretary General of Economic Affairs, League of Arab States
10:00-10:30	Coffee Break
Plenary Session	

10:30-12:30	<p style="text-align: center;">State of Sustainable Urbanization in the Arab region</p> <p>Moderator: Hassan Radoine, Head of International School of Architecture Urbanism and Design at Mohammed VI Polytechnic (tbc)</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zena Ali-Ahmad, Director, UN-Habitat Regional Office for Arab States • Jamal Jaballah, Director of Environment, Housing and Water Resources, League of Arab States • Khawla Mattar, Deputy Executive Secretary, UN-ESCWA (tbc) • Ihab Fahmy, Deputy Secretary General of the Union for the Mediterranean • Jean Pierre Elong Mbassi, Secretary General, UCLG Africa (tbc) <p>Discussion</p> <p>Conclusion: UN-Habitat Key recommendations to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p>	
12:30-14:00	Lunch Break	
Thematic Sessions		
14:00-15:30	<p><u>Theme 1:</u> Ensuring access to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services, and prosperous living for all</p> <p>Introduction: UN-Habitat (5 min)</p> <p>Moderation: Saudi Arabia</p> <p>Panelists: 1: Oman 2: Morocco 3: Tunisia 4: Jordan</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Conclusion: UN-Habitat (5 min) Key recommendations (5) to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p>	<p><u>Theme 2:</u> Ensuring equity and social integration</p> <p>Introduction: UN Women (5 min)</p> <p>Moderation: Morocco</p> <p>Panelists: 1 - United Arab Emirates 2 - Egypt 3 - Iraq 4 - World Bank</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Conclusion UN Women (5 min) Key recommendations (5) to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p>
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00-17:30	<p><u>Theme 3:</u> Planning integrated and sustainable human settlements in all states in the Arab region</p>	<p><u>Theme 4:</u> Applying the principles of good urban management, and capacity building for planning and managing</p>

	<p>Introduction: UN-Habitat (5 min)</p> <p>Moderation: Egypt</p> <p>Panelists: 1: Saudi Arabia 2: Lebanon 3: Kuwait 4: Morocco</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Conclusion: UN-Habitat (5 min) Key recommendations (5) to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p>	<p>human settlements</p> <p>Introduction: UN-Habitat (5 min)</p> <p>Moderation: Kuwait</p> <p>Panelists: 1: Algeria 2: Saudi Arabia 3: Somalia 4: Sudan</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Conclusion: UN-Habitat (5 min) Key recommendations (5) to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p>
20:00	Gala Dinner	

Friday 22 December 2017			
8:00-9:00	Urban Breakfast (Menu: World Urban Forum)		
Thematic Sessions			
9:00-10:30	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p><u>Theme 5:</u> Improving urban environmental sustainability and resilience against climate change, and preserving natural resources</p> <p>Introduction: UNDP (5 min)</p> <p>Moderation: LAS</p> <p>Panelists: 1: Djibouti 2: Qatar 3: Palestine 4: Yemen</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Conclusion: UNDP (5 min) Key recommendations (5) to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p><u>Theme 6:</u> Enhancing cities productivity to achieve economic growth and sustainable development at the national and regional levels</p> <p>Introduction: ILO (5 min)</p> <p>Moderation: Jordan</p> <p>Panelists: 1: UAE 2: Mauritania 3: Bahrain 4: Tunisia</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Conclusion: UN-Habitat (5 min) Key recommendations (5) to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p><u>Theme 5:</u> Improving urban environmental sustainability and resilience against climate change, and preserving natural resources</p> <p>Introduction: UNDP (5 min)</p> <p>Moderation: LAS</p> <p>Panelists: 1: Djibouti 2: Qatar 3: Palestine 4: Yemen</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Conclusion: UNDP (5 min) Key recommendations (5) to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p>	<p><u>Theme 6:</u> Enhancing cities productivity to achieve economic growth and sustainable development at the national and regional levels</p> <p>Introduction: ILO (5 min)</p> <p>Moderation: Jordan</p> <p>Panelists: 1: UAE 2: Mauritania 3: Bahrain 4: Tunisia</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Conclusion: UN-Habitat (5 min) Key recommendations (5) to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p>
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10:30-11:00	Coffee Break		
Plenary Session			
11:00-13:00	<p>Implementation of the New Urban Agenda: Regional Experiences</p> <p>Introduction: UN-Habitat</p> <p>Moderation: UN ESCWA</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU - European Urban Agenda (tbc) • UfM - Mediterranean Urban Agenda (tbc) • ECA - African Urban Agenda (tbc) • ESCAP - Asia Pacific Urban Agenda (tbc) • UCLG Global • Jamal Jaballah, Director of Environment, Housing and Water Resources, League of Arab States <p>Conclusion: ESCWA Key recommendations to be considered in Rabat Declaration.</p>		

13:00-14:30	Lunch Break		
13:15 - 16:15	Urban Lunch National Urban Policy - Arab regional exchange ; UN-Habitat/ OECD/ Cities Alliance		
14:30-15:30	Side Event 1: Causes and impact of migration and displacement on urbanization (tbc) - <u>IOM</u> , Local Governments	Side Event 2: Cities in Crisis - Crisis in Cities (tbc) - city and neighborhood profiling, humanitarian - development nexus, urban recovery strategies (<u>Iraq</u> , Yemen, Libya, Sudan, Lebanon, Jordan)	Closed Session: Implementation Plan for Arab Strategy for Housing and Urban Development 2030 (League of Arab States)
15:30-16.30	Side Event 3: Public space (including role in reconciliation and peace building) - <u>HIC</u> (tbc)	Side Event 4: Land and gender in the Arab Region - <u>GLTN</u>	Closed Session: Rabat Declaration (League of Arab States, member states, Morocco, United Arab Emirates supported by UN-Habitat)
Plenary Session			
16:30-17:30	Closing Session and Rabat Declaration Moderation: Morocco (tbc) Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morocco - Minister of Minister of National Planning, Urban Planning, Housing and Urban Policy (tbc) • United Arab Emirates - Minister of Housing (AMFHUD3 Host Country, 2019) (tbc) • Aisa Kirabo Kacyira, Deputy Executive Director, UN-Habitat • H.E. Ambassador Dr. Kamal Hassan Ali, Secretary General of Economic Affairs, League of Arab States 		

Saturday 23 December 2017

Urban Tours in Rabat

34th Meeting of Arab Ministerial Council of Housing and Construction

09:00-10:30

Opening session
Welcome speeches
Discussions

10:30-11:00

Coffee Break

11:00-12:30

Agenda items:

- Endorsement of Rabat Declaration
- Closure of 34th Meeting of Arab Ministerial Council for Housing and Construction