

Urban Futures... “South Meets North”
High-Level Working Session
Monday, 1 October 2012 3:00 – 6:00 PM
Conference Room 6 North Building
United Nations Headquarters
on the occasion of World Habitat Day and
the International Day of Older Persons
in support of the HABITAT III Preparatory Process

Agenda

11: 30-2:45 pm – Registration

3:00pm

Greetings: Ms. Cecilia Martinez, Director, United Nations Human Settlements Program (UN-HABITAT) NY

Opening Remarks:

H.E. Ertuğrul Apakan, Ambassador and Permanent Representative. Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations

Ms. Rosemary Lane, Senior Social Affairs Officer, Focal Point on Ageing, Social Integration Branch, Division for Social Policy and Development, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Dr. Jacob Kumaresan, Executive Director, World Health Organization, New York Office

Keynote Addresses :

Introduction: Ambassador Francis Lorenzo, President, South South News

“New Thinking on Urban Development of Emerging Nations”: Mr. Linus Xiao Wunan, Executive Vice Chairman, Asia Pacific Exchange & Cooperation Foundation

“Creativity for Sustainable Development” : Honorable Eduardo Guimaraes, Former Secretary of International Relations for Paraná and Curitiba, Brazil

Setting the Stage:

Dr. Jo Ivey Boufford, President, The New York Academy of Medicine, “Age-Friendly Cities”: A Global Perspective

International Student Design Competition: Arq. Emiliano Ciarletti, Principal, Ascanio & Emiliano Ciartetti, 2012 Competition Vice Chair

Panel Presentations: 2012 International Student Design Competition Winning Projects

Moderator:

Dean Urs Peter Gauchat, College of Architecture and Design, New Jersey Institute of Technology

Individual Winners:

First prize: Bernard Brennan, Dublin Institute of Technology, Ireland,

Second prize: Sofija Kavcic, University of Hawaii at Manoa, USA;

Third prize: Individual: John Killock, University of Westminster, United Kingdom,

Team Winners:

First prize: Byun-Jae Sung/Han-Jun Hee, Chung-Ang University, South Korea.

Second prize: Marcela Grace Siero Gonzalez/Hector Javier Saenz de Leon/Hugo Roberto Sandoval Ruballos/Jose Carlos Pineda Pimentel, Universidad Francisco Marroquin, Guatemala.

Third prize: Liu yiyao, Liang tian, Hu xi, South China University of Technology, China,

Honorable Mention, Individual: Ignacio Choze De Juan, Tsinghua University, China

Honorable Mention Team awards:

Hind Yousif Omer Mohammed/ Wala Mohammed Elmustafa Mohammed Ali/ Malathe Gamal Mahmoud Hamid/ Tasneem Esameldeen Adam Nagi/ Abuobaida Alsead Abuzaid Altigani, University of Kartoum, Sudan,

Abdulrahman Hadeed/ Maryam Mohammed, Ajman University of Science and Technology, United Arab Emirates.

5:30PM ...**Presentation of Certificates and Award to Winners** by Mr. Wunan, Competition Chair, and related UN Mission Ambassadors ...

Competition Closing Remarks: Dr.Linamara Rizzo Battistella, Minister of State of Sao Paulo for Rights of Persons with Disability, Brazil

Closing Remarks: Professor Dianne Davis, Founding President, International Council for Caring Communities, ICCC

Optional Side Events:

9:30 – 11:30 AM (private tour)

International Media Recording Studio: Host: Mark Barasch, President

bMedia NY

10th Floor, 723 Seventh Avenue (49 Street near Times Square)

12:00 - 2:30 PM VIP “Urban Futures” Sharing Luncheon *

Program:

Musical Moment: International Bartone: Ross Benoliel

Presentation: “ICCC Citizen of the World” Award

Presenter: H.E. Josephine Ojiambo, Deputy Permanent Representative, Kenya

Awardee: Mr. Linus Xiao Wunan, Executive Vice Chairman, Asia Pacific Exchange & Cooperation Foundation

Urban Futures Roundtable Discussions

***(Invitation Only)**

Background:

As part of a dialogue series that began with the “Age of Connectivity: Cities, Magnets of Hope”, this High-level Working Session will address opportunities and challenges facing a rapidly urbanizing world, ending with a Clarion Call for Action!

The insights and expertise of a selected international group of non-traditional government executives, global business and financial CEOs, entrepreneurs, technology innovators, educators, cultural experts, artists and thought-leaders will address and leverage their knowledge and skills by addressing this year’s theme: “Urban Futures...South Meets North”Connecting the Dots for Sustainable Development.” This session will feature the unique innovating winning projects from eight countries: China, Guatemala, Ireland, Sudan, South Korea, United Kingdom, United Arab Emirates, and the United States which address the “Agequake” facing the world today.

This High-level Working Session is co-organized by the UN Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT) and the International Council for Caring Communities(ICCC), and in collaboration with the World Health Organization, Governments, and other UN and UN-Habitat agenda partners, including the private sector, academia , civil society and Asia Pacific Exchange and Cooperation Foundation.

Participants will engage in discussions on creating a platform for policy dialogue to effectively address challenges resulting in quality of life improvements for all generations, achievement of the implementation of MDGs, support of the UN Habitat Agenda and and in support of the HABITAT III preparatory process.

This Session will celebrate World Habitat Day, “Changing Cities: Building Opportunities,” and the International Day of Older Persons, "Longevity: Shaping the Future" and reexamine, rethink and redefine current practices and identify viable recommendations for scaling-up successful projects and stimulating new concepts. It will aim at a concrete plan of actions on how visionary ideas can be implemented.

