

Age of Hyperconnectivity: Imagining the Possible in Cities... Better Living...Adding Life to Years

Harnessing Creative Practical Solutions Towards "A Better City, Better Life"

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Background

This session will consider perspectives from a multi-strategic group of international experts addressing the impact of Hyperconnectivity; stimulation of sustainable, climate-resilient societies; and the important involvement and catalytic role of the private and public sectors. Successful innovations include redevelopment in Suzhou, rehabilitation in rural China, environmental children's education tool using music related books, "smart cities" unique for Africa, new life for St. Francis convent mountain in Germany, media outreach in rural Philippine cities, and climate solutions in Qatar. Emphasis will be placed on how ICT is a catalyst for engaging diverse populations in addressing the complex issues such as social justice, gender empowerment, youth resilience, poverty alleviation and stimulating innovation.

International Council for Caring Communities (ICCC) mission includes serving as a bridge joining universities, government agencies, NGOs, private sector and the UN agencies to promote new ways of viewing an integrated society of all ages.

"Urban growth, if not properly guided, can destroy communities" - Dr. Albert Bush-Brown, Co-founder of ICCC

Session organized in support of World Cities Day and in celebration of the 76th Anniversary of the United Nations.

Speakers

Moderator:

Ms. Lori Schulman - Senior Director, Internet Policy International Trademark Association (INTA)

Welcome:

Dr. Graham Alabaster - UN Habitat, Geneva Office

Keynote Presenter:

Dr. Sam Pitroda - Author, "Redesign the World: A Global Call for Action"

Climate Project in Qatar:

Architect Lisa Cholmondeley - Principal, Gensler

Voice of New Leaders:

Architect Manvi Vyas - Project Coordinator at c|a Architects

Urban Development in Gusu, China:

Dr. David Goodman

Emeritus Professor, Fellow, Academy of Social Science Australia; Department of China Studies, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, Suzhou

New Life for St. Francis Convent on Mountain in Reute Bad Waldsee, Germany:

Professor Gisela Loehlein

Department of Architecture, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University

Media Outreach in Rural Cities in Developing Countries - Philippines' Project:

Mr. John Kent - President, Equitable Communities

Smart Cities Unique for Today's Africa:

Mr. Florent Kalala - CEO, Bethesda Council

Transforming Rehabilitation in Rural China:

Dr. Professor DongFeng Huang

Chair Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Sun Yat-Sen University First Hospital, China

Climate Children's Books with Music:

Mr. John Kiehl - Co-Founder, Soundtrack Recording Studios

Mrs. Jacquelyn Marston - Author, singer, and songwriter

Comments:

Dr. Josephine Ojiambo

Former Deputy Secretary-General, Commonwealth Secretariat and Ambassador of Kenya to the UN

Closing Remarks:

Professor Dianne Davis

President, International Council for Caring Communities (ICCC)

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