



The United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development Associated Event-- The 11th Global Forum on Human Settlements

“Compact Sustainable City Offers a Better Life”

09:00-20:00, 18 October 2016

Best Western Premier CPlaza Hotel, Quito, Ecuador





Background

The United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) will be convened in Quito, Ecuador, from 17 - 20 October 2016, to reinvigorate the global commitment to sustainable urbanization and to focus on the adoption and implementation of a “New Urban Agenda” which should promote an urbanization model that is people-oriented, based on “Better City, Better Life”.

It is in this context that the 11th Global Forum on Human Settlements (GFHS - XI) themed as Compact Sustainable City Offers a Better Life will timely take place as an important associated event of Habitat III on 18 October in Quito, to build consensus, promote actions and implement the New Urban Agenda.

Co-organizers

- ◆ Global Forum on Human Settlements (GFHS)
- ◆ United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- ◆ United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)
- ◆ World Urban Campaign (WUC)
- ◆ Other concerned government agencies

Topics to be addressed

- ◆ Compact, Integrated, Connected and Sustainable City
- ◆ Cultural Heritage Conservation and Sustainable Tourism
- ◆ New Energy Development in Low-Carbon City
- ◆ World Urban Campaign Towards Urban Innovation
- ◆ Women and Children in the Rapidly Urbanizing World

Participants

GFHS – XI is planned to bring together around 300 participants. As in the past, we will seek to engage all stakeholders including senior officials of the UN, leading policy and decision makers from national and local governments, mayors, ambassadors and diplomats, business leaders, professionals, investors and representatives of international organizations, and women and children representatives.

Sustainable Cities And Human Settlements Award 2016 (SCAHS 2016)

In conjunction with GFHS - XI, the “Sustainable Cities And Human Settlements Award Ceremony 2016” (SCAHS 2016), will be ceremoniously hosted as one of the highlights to recognize the best practices of global sustainable cities, communities, architecture, design, transportation, scenic spot, green technology, individuals, demonstrating leadership and accelerating the process of sustainable city and human settlements.

It is a worldwide prize annually awarded by Global Forum on Human Settlements (GFHS) and supported by UNEP, through its SBCI and GI-REC initiatives, and is aimed to promote 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, particularly the implementation of SDG 11.



10th Global Human Settlements Award Ceremony, UN HQs, New York, United States



The awardees and awarders of the 8th Global Human Settlements Award Ceremony, Berlin, Germany



(From left to right)

City of Heidelberg, Germany was laured as the Global Green City in 2015

City of Vancouver, Canada was awarded as the Global Green City in 2014

Global Human Settlements Award on Planning and Design was presented to Medellin River Parks, Colombia, Nanjing Qinglongshan International Ecocity, China and Zero Carbon Resorts Demonstration Building, Philippines in 2015

MEMORABLE MOMENTS OF PREVIOUS FORUMS



(From left to right)

Ambassador Sha Zukang, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA) and the Rio +20 Secretary-General, addressing at the 7th Global Forum on Human Settlements, Rio, Brazil

Mr. Gyan Chandra Acharya, Under-Secretary-General, United Nations, speaking at the opening of the 8th Global Forum on Human Settlements, Berlin, Germany

H.E. Mr. Diego Morejon Pazmino, Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the United Nations, delivering a keynote speech at the 10th Global Forum on Human Settlements, New York, United States

Mr. Nikhil Seth, Director, Division of Sustainable Development, UN DESA, speaking at the 8th Global Forum on Human Settlements, Berlin, Germany

Mr. Fabrizio Hochschild, Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator, United Nations Colombia addressing at the 9th Global Forum on Human Settlements, Bogota, Colombia

Mr. Maurice Strong, former Under-Secretary-General, United Nations, the first Executive Director of UNEP addressing at the first Global Forum on Human Settlements, Shenzhen, China



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