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Programme of meetings

Sunday, 10 April 2011

11 a.m.–2 p.m.	African Group (Conference Room 1)
	Eastern European Group (Conference Room 14)
1–2 p.m.	Arab States Group (Conference Room 5)
Time to be confirmed	Asian and Pacific Group (Conference Room 4)
Time to be confirmed	Latin American and Caribbean Group (Conference Room 13)
Time to be confirmed	Western European and others Group (Conference Room 3)
Time to be confirmed	Group of 77 and China (Conference Room 1)
2–5 p.m.	European Union (Conference Room 3)
4–6 p.m.	Joint Bureau meeting (CE-112) Meeting of the bureaux of the twenty-second and twenty-third sessions of the Governing Council.

Monday, 11 April 2011

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Plenary (Conference Room 2)
	Agenda item 1: Opening of the session Welcoming and introductory remarks by the President of the Governing Council Statement by Mr. Achim Steiner, Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and Director General UNON Message of the United Nations Secretary-General, read by Ms. Inga Björk-Klevby, Deputy Executive Director of UN-Habitat Statement by Mr. Joan Clos, Executive Director of UN-Habitat Inaugural address by Mr. Mwai Kibaki, President of Kenya.
	Agenda item 2: Organization of the session Election of officers (agenda item 2) Credentials (agenda item 3) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work (agenda item 4).

Policy statement by Mr. Joan Clos, Executive Director of UN-Habitat

Beginning of high-level segment general debate on agenda items 5–7

Agenda item 5: Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters.

Agenda item 6: Dialogue on the special theme for the twenty-third session of the Governing Council.

Agenda item 7: Work programme of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for the biennium 2012–2013.

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1–1.30 p.m.

Press conference (press centre)

Opening press conference with the Executive Director and the outgoing and incoming presidents of the Governing Council

1–2 p.m.

Press conference (press centre)

Launch of *Cities and Climate Change: Global Report on Human Settlements 2011*

1–2.45 p.m.

Adjournment

2–3 p.m.

First meeting of the newly elected Bureau (CE-112)

Chaired by the President of the Governing Council

3–6 p.m.

High-level segment (Conference Room 1)

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Committee of the Whole (Conference Room 2)

Organization of work

Introductory statement by the Secretariat.

Agenda item 5: Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters.

Documents HSP/GC/23/2 and Add.1–7, HSP/GC/23/INF/2, HSP/GC/23/INF/3, HSP/GC/23/INF/4, HSP/GC/23/INF/7, HSP/GC/23/3 and Add.1

6–9 p.m.

Cocktail to be hosted by the Government of Kenya - for government delegations only

Fountain Area

Tuesday, 12 April 2011

8.30–9.20 a.m.

Second meeting of the Bureau (CE-112)

Chaired by the President of the Governing Council

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

High-level segment (Conference Room 1)

Continuation of general debate on agenda items 5–7

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	<p>Drafting committee (Conference Room 4)</p> <p>Consultations on draft resolutions</p>
12.30–2.45 p.m.	Lunch break
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3–6 p.m.	<p>Drafting committee (Conference Room 4)</p> <p>Consultations on draft resolutions</p>
Wednesday, 13 April 2011	
8–8.50 a.m.	<p>Third meeting of the Bureau (CE-112)</p> <p>Chaired by the President of the Governing Council</p>
9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.	<p>Dialogue on the special theme (Conference Room 1)</p> <p>Focus: land and housing</p> <p>Committee of the Whole (Conference Room 2)</p> <p>Agenda item 7: Work programme of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for the biennium 2012–2013.</p> <p><i>Documents</i> HSP/GC/23/5 and Add.1–6, HSP/GC/23/6, HSP/GC/23/INF/5,</p>

HSP/GC/23/INF/6

Drafting committee (Conference Room 4)

Consultations on the draft resolutions

12.30–2.45 p.m.

Lunch break

1–2 p.m.

Launch of the Urban Gateway (press centre)

3–6 p.m.

Dialogue on the special theme, continued (Conference Room 1)

Focus: basic services and infrastructure

Committee of the Whole (Conference Room 2)

Agenda item 8: Provisional agenda and other arrangements for the twenty-fourth session of the Governing Council.

Drafting committee (Conference Room 4)

Consultations on the draft resolutions

Thursday, 14 April 2011

8.30–9.20 a.m.

Fourth meeting of the Bureau (CE-112)

Chaired by the President of the Governing Council

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.

Committee of the Whole (Conference Room 2)

Agenda item 8: Provisional agenda and other arrangements for the twenty-fourth session of the Governing Council.

Drafting committee (Conference Room 4)

Consultations on the draft resolutions

12.30–2.45 p.m.

Lunch break

12.45–1.15 p.m.

Press briefing press centre

Friday, 15 April 2011

8.30–9.20 a.m.

Fifth meeting of the Bureau (CE-112)

Chaired by the President of the Governing Council

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Plenary (Conference Room 2)

Chair's summary of the high-level segment and dialogue

Draft reports of plenary on items 1–4

Draft reports of the Committee of the Whole

Report on draft resolutions and agenda:

Agenda item 8: Provisional agenda and other arrangements for the twenty-fourth session of the Governing Council;

Agenda item 9: Other matters;

Agenda item 10: Adoption of the report of the session;

Agenda item 11: Closure of the session.

1.30–2.15 p.m.

Closing press conference with the Executive Director and the President of the Governing Council (Press Centre)

Caucus meetings

Monday, 11 April–Friday, 15 April 2011

8–9.30 a.m.

Youth Caucus (Conference Room 6)

Women’s Caucus (Conference Room 7)

The daily Women’s Caucus gives women participating at the Governing Council a chance to meet, share and strategize on a daily basis, to ensure that women’s needs and concerns are addressed in the deliberations of the Governing Council and in the outcome documents for the session. The Caucus will feature speakers on relevant Governing Council events and issues, a gender-focused review of the Council’s deliberations and time each day for planning advocacy and lobbying.

Thursday, 14 April 2011

8–9 a.m.

Civil Society Organization Caucus (Conference Room 9)

This meeting will be used to strategize civil society organization (CSO) contributions to the twenty-third session of the Governing Council and to prepare the CSO statement for the closing session.

Parallel events

Saturday, 9 April 2011

2–6 p.m.

Dream Ball launch (Conference Room 11)

Sunday, 10 April 2011

9.30 a.m.–4 p.m.

Urban mobility through effective public mass transport (Lord Erroll restaurant)

Under the theme of “urban mobility through effective public mass transport”, members will be invited to present their experiences and strategies for public and mass transport systems in their cities and urban regions and make recommendations to the United Nations. In the afternoon, there will be discussion of membership of the United Nations Advisory Committee of Local Authorities, the work programme for 2012–2013, resource mobilization and other matters. Participants will include members and alternates (city mayors) of the United Nations Advisory Committee of Local Authorities, observers (United Cities and Local Governments regional chapters and national associations of local governments) and resource persons.

2.30–4 p.m.

Partners platform meeting (Conference Room 13)

All Habitat Agenda partner groups will meet to discuss the twenty-third session of the Governing Council.

Tuesday, 12 April 2011

9.30 a.m.–5.30 p.m.

African parliamentarian conference (Conference Room 10)

Global Parliamentarians on Habitat and UN-Habitat are jointly organizing a regional conference of the African Council of Global Parliamentarians on Habitat on Sustainable Urban Development. The main objective of the conference is to bring together African parliamentarians to network and share best practices and lessons learned in respect of legislation and policies addressing the rapid urbanization of African countries, particularly with regard to pro-poor housing policies that bridge the urban divide. The election of the Board of Directors of the African Council of Global Parliamentarians on Habitat is scheduled to take place during the conference.

	<p>Habitat Professional Forum strategic meeting (Tribe Hotel)</p> <p>The meeting will gather human settlements professionals to discuss their contributions as key partners of the Habitat Agenda, in particular through the implementation of the Habitat Professional Forum Charter, and the role of human settlement professionals in delivering a sustainable and equitable future. Participation is by invitation.</p>
10 a.m.–noon	<p>Civil society organization meeting regarding the twenty-third session of the Governing Council (Conference Room 12)</p> <p>The meeting participants will discuss the theme of the Governing Council and prepare for the dialogue.</p>
10.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.	<p>Youth Advisory Board (Conference Room 8)</p> <p>The Executive Director’s consultative meeting with the UN-Habitat Youth Advisory Board (Closed meeting)</p>
Noon–2.00 p.m.	<p>Mehr Housing Plan (Conference Room 9)</p> <p>This meeting will feature a presentation on the rural housing plan and experience of the Islamic Republic of Iran in regularizing informal settlements and distressed urban fabrics.</p>
Noon–2.30 p.m.	<p>Human settlements and crisis: lessons learned from urban disasters (Conference Room 13)</p> <p>UN-Habitat and partners will share experiences and lessons learned from past emergencies including in Afghanistan, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Haiti, Lebanon, Myanmar and Pakistan. Participants will include ministers and senior government representatives from countries in which UN-Habitat and its partners have been actively engaged in post-crisis recovery activities. The discussion will also touch on new developments at the global level, such as the growing international recognition of the need to develop new tools and approaches to address urban vulnerability and crisis.</p>
1–2.30 p.m.	<p>Not about us without us: Global Land Tool Network’s work on grassroots participation in land-related processes (Conference Room 12)</p> <p>The involvement of community groups (grass-roots) is critical at all stages of land-related processes. Many pro-poor land policies, however, are developed and implemented with weak grass-roots participation, leading to project failure or outcomes that do not assist people living in poverty, particularly women. Through Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) partners, UN-Habitat is working with local organizations to support community-led initiatives by building community capacity to engage in land administration and land management and finding ways to scale up and reach out to more people. This side-event will showcase continuing initiatives from the perspective of both grass-roots organizations and Governments.</p>
2–5 p.m.	<p>Commonwealth Consultative Group on Human Settlements ministerial meeting (Conference Room 3)</p> <p>Ministers will consider pragmatic approaches to delivering secure tenure for slum-dwellers and others in informal settlements in the urban areas of Commonwealth countries. It is hoped that the meeting will spark a lively debate between ministers and Habitat partners on priority actions needed to attain the Commonwealth goal on secure tenure. The discussion will also contribute to the theme of the twenty-third session of the Governing Council, which includes a debate on equitable access to land.</p>
2.30–4.30 p.m.	<p>Investments in sustainable urban development (Conference Room 9)</p> <p>Regional development bank representatives will gather for this strategic meeting on investment in sustainable urban development.</p> <p>Launch of Quick Guides for Policy Makers on Housing the poor in Sub-Sahara African cities in French and Portuguese languages (Conference Room 14)</p> <p>French and Portuguese versions of the UN-Habitat <i>Quick Guides for Policy Makers on Housing the Poor in Sub-Saharan Africa</i> will be launched.</p>
4–6 p.m.	<p>Advisory Committee of the Opportunities Fund for Youth Led Development (Conference Room 8)</p>

5–7 p.m.	<p>World Urban Campaign consultation meeting with partners, including the private sector (Tribe Hotel)</p> <p>The meeting will bring together partners of the World Urban Campaign to review progress and to exchange ideas on the key components of the Campaign, including the 100 Cities Initiative, tools and methods and enabling legislation. Participation is by invitation.</p>
6–8 p.m.	<p>Launch of global youth help desk (outside the Gigiri complex)</p> <p>This event, funded by the Government of Norway, will feature performances by UN-Habitat Messengers of Truths.</p>
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1–3 p.m.	<p>Youth Research Net consultative meeting and launch of reports (Conference Room 12)</p> <p>Two youth reports will be launched: the <i>United Nations Sports and Development Report Literature Survey of Youth</i> and the background paper for the State of Urban Youth Report 2012–2013.</p> <p>Urban Gateway (Conference Room 13)</p> <p>This session will introduce the Urban Gateway, a global online knowledge exchange platform that uses social media technology to promote local and global knowledge exchange on urban issues. The Gateway allows networking, collaboration, online debate and the exchange of best practices, case studies, research and other knowledge between all Habitat Agenda partners. It supports a number of important partnership networks, including the Sustainable Urban Development Network, the Cities and Climate Change Initiative, the Habitat Partners Universities Initiative and the Cities in Crisis and Civil Society networks. The Gateway also maintains the momentum of the World Urban Forum and provides a lobbying platform for the World Urban Campaign. The initiative is supported by Sweden.</p>
2–3.30 p.m.	<p>Sustainable urban development through the Participatory Slum Upgrading Programme in African, Caribbean and Pacific countries (Conference Room 14)</p> <p>This event invites participating countries to share their experiences and lessons learned in the implementation of the Participatory Slum Upgrading Programme. The side event is an effort of the Secretariat of the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Group of States, the European Commission and UN-Habitat to advocate slum prevention and upgrading. Supported by the ACP Secretariat and funded by the European Commission through the ninth European Development Fund and other sources, it is being implemented by UN-Habitat in 66 cities in 30 countries. The Programme is making progress in addressing urban poverty in a participatory and holistic manner.</p>
2.30–4.30 p.m.	<p>Meeting of the board of the Africa Regional Chapter of Global Parliamentarians on Habitat (new office facility)</p>
4–6 p.m.	<p>Women and human settlements: an online global exchange space (Conference Room 13)</p> <p>The Huairou Commission and UN-Habitat have jointly established an online portal entitled Women and Human Settlements: A Global Exchange Space to promote information and knowledge sharing on human settlements, gender equality and women’s empowerment. During this event, the main features of the portal will be described and the Huairou Commission will share its experience in bridging the digital divide.</p>
6–8 p.m.	<p>Cocktail and side event on renewing the African Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development commitment to implementing the Bamako Declaration and Action Plan (United Nations recreation centre)</p> <p>The Third African Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development successfully concluded in Bamako in November 2010. In their final declaration, participants committed themselves to intensifying national and regional consultations and preparing common positions for the UN-Habitat Governing Council and agreed to take stock of the implementation of the Bamako Action Plan. This side event will feature a discussion of work done to date and the formulation of plans to implement the Bamako Action Plan fully and to create favourable conditions for the fourth African Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development, to be held in Nairobi in 2012.</p>

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9.30–11 a.m.	Partners meeting (Conference Room 9) Habitat Agenda partner groups will come together to follow-up on the Partners' Platform in a larger group, deliberate on Governing Council discussions and prepare for the closing session.
9.30 a.m.–5 p.m.	Private sector working group meeting (Tribe Hotel) The meeting will gather representatives of private sector companies to discuss the core business principles for sustainable urbanization and their implementation through key action areas. The group will also discuss the role of the new Urban Private Sector Advisory Group and the areas of partnership with UN-Habitat. Participation is by invitation.
10 a.m.–noon	Safer public spaces for women and girls (Conference Room 10) Women in Cities International (WICI), UN-Habitat's Safer Cities Programme, UN-Women and the Huairou Commission will host this round-table discussion that positions women's safety in the context of planning, public space and transit management. Planners, representatives from police bodies, grass-roots leaders from the Huairou Commission Network and representatives from WICI, UN-Women and UN-Habitat will speak about successful interventions to create safe spaces for women and their contributions to sustainable urbanization.
10.30 a.m.–1.30 p.m.	SymbioCity (Conference Room 7) The event will focus on the SymbioCity approach, through presentation, discussion and an interactive session where participants will be invited to play the computer game "SymbioCity Scenarios."
12.30–2.30 p.m.	Panel discussion on women and urban housing (Conference Room 6) In this panel discussion on women's housing and land rights in the context of urbanization, three experts will present short papers on women and urban housing based on the Governing Council theme. Following the presentations, a moderated discussion with participants will seek to generate recommendations that will form a statement for presentation to the Governing Council.
1–2.30 p.m.	Land, property and housing: a focus on the Muslim world (Conference Room 3) In most Muslim countries, Islamic law, principles and practices make an important contribution to shaping access to land. At this side event, the Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) will launch a training package under the title "A Training Course on Land, Property and Housing Rights in the Muslim World", together with a booklet summarizing key concepts of the course. The principal author of the training package will present the main topics and potential users in the field will describe how the course can be applied.
1–3 p.m.	Slum upgrading in Kibera Soweto-East (Conference Room 8) This event will present projects in Kibera Soweto-East managed by UN-Habitat and the Government of Kenya. The information session will include a presentation on projects led by UN-Habitat.
2.30–5.30 p.m.	Housing the future: A new global housing strategy to the year 2025 (Conference Room 12) UN-Habitat is working to prepare an authoritative analysis of the global housing situation to provide Governments and Habitat Agenda partners with a set of policy guidelines that will ultimately shift the current housing paradigm. This side event will showcase some of the latest initiatives implemented by UN-Habitat at the global, regional and country levels to enable the housing sector to work and influence the city's form and sustainability.
2.30–4.30 p.m.	Sustainable Urban Development (Conference Room 7) The Huairou Commission, as a partner to the UN-Habitat World Urban Campaign, has been promoting grass-roots women's leadership as a strategy for achieving sustainable urbanization. In March 2011, the Commission hosted the Global Summit on Grass-roots Women's Leadership and Governance, where grass-roots women and partners gathered to share strategies, debate challenges and establish principles and proposals for collective actions. This event will feature the innovative outcomes of the Summit and review grass-roots women's bottom-up governance strategies for increasing their leadership and developing sustainable communities around the world.
