



Programme Fifth Regional Forum of the Global Parliamentarians on Habitat for Europe

The UN Habitat Agenda: challenges for sustainable urbanisation

Achievements and challenges after 10 years fighting urban poverty; the role of parliamentarians and other stakeholders

Friday 12th of May 2006

Opening session of the Fifth Regional Forum of the Global Parliamentarians on Habitat for Europe

- 13:30 **Welcome** by *Mr. J. ten Hoopen*, vice chair of the Dutch Parliament
- 13:35 **Welcome** by *Ms. Joanneke Kruijssen*, hosting parliamentarian of the Dutch Parliament and member of the European Presidium of the Global Parliamentarians on Habitat; chair of the afternoon programme
- 13:40 **Opening** remarks by *Mr. Peter Götz*, president of the Global Parliamentarians on Habitat (GPH) for Europe on the activities within the European Group
- 13:50 **Introduction: UN Habitat** by *Mr. Paul Taylor*, Director UN-HABITAT Liaison Office to the European Union and Belgium on the achievements after 10 years UN Habitat Agenda
- 14:10 **Introduction: Global Parliamentarians on Habitat** by *Mr. Ernesto Gil Elorduy*, president of the Global Parliamentarians on Habitat on the activities within the Global Group
- 14:20 **Introduction: Implementing the Habitat Agenda** by *Mr. Schmidt-Eichstaedt*, Prof. Technical University of Berlin and director of 'Baurecht und Planung' on the international comparison of Habitat legislation in Europe
- 14:40 **Introduction: The Dutch situation** by *Mrs. Sybilla Dekker*, Minister of Housing, Spatial Planning and Environment on the Dutch activities both at the European as well as the global level
- 15:00 **Key-note speech: the challenges of the Habitat Agenda and the Millennium Development Goals** by *Mr. J.W. van der Sluijs*, chairman Dutch Habitat Platform and mayor of Municipality of Maarsssen
- 15:30 **Closure of the plenary session, invitation to the exhibition and the photo-moment** by *Ms. Joanneke Kruijssen*
Break

Parallel workshops: implementing the Habitat Agenda

More details on the workshops on the other side.

- 16:30 Start of **Workshop III**. Have an income
- 16:30 Start of the **Workshops I**. Be involved and **II**. Live sustainably
- 19:00 **Closing of the first day**
- 19:00 *Aperitif with live music by the Gianni Lincan Kwartet*
- 20:00 *Dinner*

Saturday, 13th of May, 2006

Plenary session: feedback on the workshops and the The Hague declaration

- 10:00 **Opening of the plenary session** by *Ms. Joanneke Kruijssen*
- 10:05 **Feedback workshops**, chaired by *Mrs. Anneke Assen*: each of the 6 parallel workshops gives a short presentation of 5 minutes on the outcomes of the workshops and the three recommendations for the The Hague Declaration
- 10:45 **Discussion** on the outcomes of the workshops, chair *Mrs. Anneke Assen*
- 11:45 *Short Break and performance by the Theatre Embassy*
- 12:00 **The Hague Declaration** presentation of and discussion on the declaration chaired by *Mr. Peter Götz*
- 12:40 **Closing of the working conference** by *Mr. Peter Götz*
- 13:00 **End of the conference**
Lunch
Optional: visit to the Royal Picture Gallery Mauritshuis (www.mauritshuis.nl)

Overview of the workshops

Three parallel workshops on the challenges for the future, exchange of good practices and discussion leading towards commitments for the The Hague Declaration.

