



## Human Settlements Action Day

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### Overall narrative

Already over 50% of humans live in cities which are the centers of economic activity but also consume the vast majority of resources. Urban areas are responsible for a significant portion of GHG emissions, while negative climate change impacts also heavily affect them. Sectors connected to Human Settlements have a significant impact on climate change themselves. Buildings for instance are responsible for 30-40 percent of GHG emissions. Yet cities are also innovation and efficiency hubs. Decarbonizing and increasing the resilience of the different sectors in Human Settlements, especially where addressed jointly, can mean a considerable step forward in climate change mitigation and adaptation. This thematic day aims to: (1) Make recommendations for climate change mitigation & adaptation; (2) Highlight progress & promising initiative; (3) Outline how Human Settlements can contribute to implementing the Paris Agreement; (4) Promote actions/commitments from different Human Settlements sectors.



## Schedule at a glance

Time	Rooms	Coordinator/ organizations involved	Title
10:00-11:30	Room 2	Human Settlements Group	<b>Opening Human Settlements Roundtable: Setting the stage – Impact and potential of Human Settlements</b>
11:30-13:00	Room 10	UN-Habitat	Planners for Climate Action: Urban and Regional planners take climate action.
	Room 2	nrg4SD/RegionsAdapt/CDP	Multi-level governance - An opportunity for effective climate change adaptation
13:15-14:45	Room 2	GABC/UN Environment	What is possible? Pathways to net zero/zero emission buildings
	Room 1	C40/GIZ/ICLEI / FMDV/CCFLA	Accelerating the urban transformation – financing and implementing infrastructure projects in Cities & Regions
15:00-16:30	Room 2	GABC/UN Environment	Buildings contributing to Sustainable Development Goals
	Room 1	UN Habitat	Building the More Sustainable City: Planning and financing infrastructure for low-carbon and climate-resilient cities
	Room 10	UN-Habitat - #citiesIPCC coalition	#CitiesIPCC: Advancing science to accelerate effective climate action in human settlements.
16:45-18:15	Room 2	GABC/UN Environment	Transforming the Buildings and Construction Sector
	Room 10	ICLEI/WRI/UN-Habitat	Tools and training resources for urban climate action planning
18:30-20:00	Room 2	Human Settlements Groups	<b>Closing Human Settlements Roundtable: Recommendations for sustainable human settlements</b>



## Events

<b>Time: 10-11:30 Room 2</b>	<b>Opening Human Settlements Roundtable: Setting the stage – Impact and potential of Human Settlements</b>
<p><b>Short description</b></p> <p>While the majority of the world’s global population are urban citizens living in an array of settlements, the answers generated within urban settlements and territories will pave the way for global solutions, calling for action at local and country level, in partnership, to co-create cities for a sustainable future.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Emani Kumar, Deputy Secretary General, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability <b>Speakers:</b> TBC</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Ms. Monica Fein, Mayor of Rosario, Argentina</li><li>2. Andrea Reimer, Councillor, City of Vancouver, Canada</li><li>3. UN Habitat: Executive Director, Dr Joan Clos</li><li>4. UN Environment: Ms Martina Otto, Head of Cities Unit at UN Environment &amp; Head of the GABC Secretariat</li><li>5. Robert Mambé, Governor, District of Abidjan on behalf of CCFLA-Cities Climate Finance Leadership Alliance</li><li>6. World Bank: <u>Laura Tuck</u>, Vice President for Sustainable Development and head of delegation for the World Bank to the COP</li></ol> <p><b>Respondents</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Representative of the Energy track</li><li>2. Representative of the transport track</li><li>3. Representative of the agriculture track</li><li>4. Representative of the Water track</li><li>5. Dr. Isabel Torres de Noronha, Lead, Future Ocean Alliance</li></ol> <p><b>Closing remarks:</b> H.E. Mr Mohammed Nabil Benabdallah, Minister of Development of the National Territory, Urban Planning, Habitat and Urban Policy, Kingdom of Morocco</p>	
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<b>Time: 11:30-13:00</b> <b>Room 2</b>	<b>Multi-level governance - An opportunity for effective climate change adaptation</b>
<b>Short description</b> Regional and local governments play a key role in adaptation. They are leading innovation and investing in solutions for adaptation strategies. The event aims to discuss the role of multi-level governance in driving adaptation action and how climate data is vital to achieve effective adaptation. <b>Moderator: tbd</b> <b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Representative from a national government</li><li>• Maria Cecilia Alvarado, nrg4Sd Chair for the South and Vice-President of Azuay, Ecuador;</li><li>• Eric O. AKIDELE, Economist, Specialist in Projects and Local Development of the Community of Communes of Plateau, Benin (tbc)</li><li>• Lesley Griffiths, Cabinet Secretary for Environment and Rural Affairs, Wales, UK (tbc)</li><li>• Dan Zarrilli, Senior Director, Climate Policy and Programs, New York City, USA</li><li>• Representatives from local governments</li></ul>	
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<b>Time: 11:30-13:00</b> <b>Room 10</b>	<b>Planners for Climate Action - urban &amp; regional planners and educators take climate action.</b>
<b>Short description</b> Urban and regional planners, their schools and educators have key roles to play in helping cities address climate change. The session aims to increase their visibility in addressing climate change, and will launch a new multi-sectoral initiative entitled "Planners take Climate Action" <b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Joan Clos, Executive Director of UN-Habitat</li><li>• Didier Vancutsem, Secretary General of ISOCAR</li><li>• Representatives from national, regional &amp; global planning associations and educators</li></ul>	
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**Time: 13:15-14:45**  
**Room 2**

**What is possible? Pathways to net zero/zero emission buildings**

**Short description**

The buildings sector has enormous impact on energy & carbon emissions and can make a great difference in climate mitigation efforts. Session 1 focuses on: sector progress since COP21; achieving vertical integration; best practice examples; required technical change; and HFC emission reduction.

**Moderator:** Elizabeth W. Chege, Chairperson, Kenya Green Building Society

**Speakers:**

- Ms Martina Otto, GABC/ Head of Cities Unit at UN Environment
- Mr Mike Enskat, Head of Section for Energy, Water and Mobility, Department for Sectoral and Global Programmes, GIZ (TBC)
- Ms Elizabeth Beardsley, Senior Policy Council, US Green Building Council.
- Mr Brian Motherway, Head of Energy Efficiency, IEA
- Prof Ralf Niebergall, Vice President, Federal Chamber of German Architects
- Ms Soledad Aguilar, National Director of Climate Change, Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, Argentina (TBC)
- Country representative from Kigali Cooling Efficiency Programme & District Energy Initiative
- Mr Yves-Laurent Sapoval, Senior Advisor, Ministry of Ecological & Inclusive Transition (METS), France

**Focus panel:** NAMA Development for the Building Sector in Asia

- Ms Sureporn Suwannaworn, Director, Technical Cooperation Division, Department of Housing Development Studies, National Housing Authority
- Ms Emma Rachmawaty, Director for Mitigation of Climate Change, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Republic of Indonesia
- Ms Sandee Recabar, Planning Officer V and Chief, Implementation Oversight Division, Climate Change Commission, Republic of The Philippines
- Dr Le Trung Thanh, Director General, Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Ministry of Construction, Socialist Republic of Vietnam

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**Time: 13:15-14:45**  
**Room 1**

**Accelerating the urban transformation – Financing and implementing infrastructure projects in Cities & Regions**

### Short description

The Paris Agreement and the SDGs require more investments in low-carbon, resilient urban infrastructure. However, preparing bankable projects, especially in emerging markets and developing countries, is a challenging task that requires bold, ambitious approaches and a range of partnerships.

**Moderator:** Ani Dasgupta, Global Director, WRI Ross Center for Sustainable Cities Speakers:

**Key Note Speech :** Christiana Figueres, Vice Chair Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy (tbc)

- EIB representative
- Mayor (tbc)
- James Alexander, Director of the City Finance Programme, C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group C40 Cities Finance Facility representative
- Maryke van Staden, Director of the Bonn Center for Local Climate Action, ICLEI, and Reporting and co-Chair of the GCoM Finance Working Group
- Christophe Dossarps, Sustainable Infrastructure Foundation, CEO for SOURCE software, and on behalf of CCFLA Working Group on Project Preparation

**Closing remarks:** Ingrid-Gabriela Hoven, Director-General of the Department for Global issues – sector policies and programmes of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

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<b>Time: 15:00-16:30</b> <b>Room 2</b>	<b>Buildings contributing to Sustainable Development Goals</b>
<b>Short description</b> This session focuses on linking buildings to the SDGs as part of the global agenda. It will elicit buildings' links to SDGs focused on climate, energy, cities, but also to health and wellbeing.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Moderator: Terri Wills, CEO, WorldGBC</li><li>• Speakers:</li><li>• Mr Andreas Rietz, Head of the Division "Sustainable Building and Environment", Federal Institute for Building, Urban and Regional Research</li><li>• Ms Ingrid Reumert, VP Communication, Stakeholder relations and sustainability, VELUX Group</li><li>• Mr Peter Boswell, Business Development, FIDIC</li><li>• Mr M. Abdessamad Sekkal, President of Rabat Salé Kenitra</li><li>• Ms Jennifer Layke, Global Director of WRI's Energy Program</li><li>• Ms Ursula Hartenberger, Global Head of Sustainability, RICS</li></ul>	
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<b>Time: 15:00-16:30</b> <b>Room 10</b>	<b>Building the more sustainable city: Planning and financing infrastructure for low-carbon and climate-resilient cities</b>
<b>Brief description:</b> The GCA partners UN-Habitat, the World Bank and the Government of Germany, will present and discuss the crucial role and new approaches of planning and financing resource-efficient and resilient infrastructure for the more sustainable city.	
<b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms. Ingrid-Gabriela Hoven, Director-General Global issues, BMZ,</li><li>• Ede Ijjasz-Vasquez, World Bank,</li><li>• Dr Joan Clos, UN-Habitat,</li><li>• Jeannot Ahoussou, President of Belier Region, President of Association of Regions and Districts of Ivory Coast, FMDV on behalf of CCFLA, and cities and financial institutions</li></ul>	
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<b>Time: 15:00-16:30</b> <b>Room 1</b>	<b>#CitiesIPCC: Advancing science to accelerate effective climate action in human settlements.</b>
<b>Brief description:</b> The session aims at promoting and discussing science-based climate action for cities based on science, practice and policy, bringing together representatives from academia, governments and urban and climate change practitioners, and discuss the 2018 Science Conference on Cities and Climate Change.	
<b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paul Ross, Manager Sustainability, Host City of Edmonton</li><li>• Roland Ries, Mayor of Strasbourg and co-President UCL</li><li>• Jenny Gerbasi, Deputy Mayor of Winnipeg and President FCM</li><li>• William Cobbett, Director, Cities Alliance</li><li>• and #citiesipcc partner organizations - UN-Habitat, WMO, UN Environment and C40</li></ul>	
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<b>Time: 16:45-18:15</b> <b>Room 2</b>	<b>Transforming the Buildings and Construction Sector</b>
<b>Short description</b> This session focuses on how to transform the building and construction sector with special attention to the private sector's role, including key factors for successful private sector engagement; overcoming sector barriers; the role of GEF Funding; and best practice certification systems and labels.	
<b>Moderator:</b> Emmanuel Normant, Vice President of Sustainable Development, Saint-Gobain	
<b>Speakers:</b> Keynote speaker: Mr David Rogers, Senior Energy Specialist, GEF (TBC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms Marcene Broadwater, Global Head of Strategy and Business Development, IFC</li><li>• Ms Caroline Hill, Head of Sustainability, Land Sec</li><li>• Ms Terri Wills, CEO, WorldGBC</li><li>• Mr Moncef Ziani, FIDIC vice president</li><li>• Mr Adrian Montalvo, Technical advisor, SwissContact Peru SwissContact</li><li>• Dr Christine Lemaitre, CEO, DGNB</li></ul>	
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<b>Time: 16:45-18:15</b> <b>Room 10</b>	<b>City Climate Planner Certificate programme: Tools and training resources for urban climate action planning</b>
<b>Short description:</b> Introducing global tools and training resources for urban climate action planning, including the Guiding Principles for City Climate Action Planning, the Global Protocol for Community-Scale Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventories (GPC), and the City Climate Planner (CCP) Certification Program.	
<b>Moderator:</b> Amanda Eichel, Executive Director, Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy (GCoM)	
<b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Robert Kehew, Leader, Climate Change Planning Unit Urban Planning and Design Branch, UN-HABITAT</li><li>• Maryke van Staden, Manager of ICLEI's Low Carbon City Agenda and Director of the carbonn Center, ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI)</li><li>• Wee Kean Fong, Senior Associate, Climate Program, WRI China, World Resources Institute (WRI)</li><li>• Banchhanidhi Pani, Municipal Commissioner, Rajkot Municipal Corporation, India</li></ul>	
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<b>Time: 18:30-20:00</b> <b>Room 2</b>	<b>Closing Human Settlements Roundtable: Recommendations for sustainable human settlements</b>
<b>Short description</b> This session will present the outcomes of Human Settlements Day. It will look specifically at recommendations resulting from the different sessions to obtain sustainable, low-carbon, resilient human settlement forms that promote peoples' health and well-being.	
<b>Moderator:</b> Mr Carlos de Freitas, Co-Director/Director of Programs, FMDV & Co-Secretariat of CCFLA	
<b>Closing presentations:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms Ingrid-Gabriela Hoven, Director-General of the Department for Global issues – sector policies and programs of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)</li><li>• Ms Maria Cecilia Alvarado, nrg4Sd Chair for the South and Vice-President of Azuay, Ecuador: The role of multilevel governance from regional perspective.</li><li>• Ms. Nassénéba Touré, Mayor of Odienné, Ivory Coast (UCLG/ GTF): The role of multilevel governance from a local perspective</li><li>• Dr Sipra Narang-Suri, Coordinator, Urban Planning and Design Branch, UN Habitat: The role of urban planning in building sustainable human settlements.</li><li>• Mr Mark Radka, Head of Energy and Climate Branch at UN Environment (TBC): Sustainable buildings for sustainable human settlements.</li></ul>	



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