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Transforming our Cities for a Better Urban Future

Networking event

Want to meet other sustainable urbanization activists? Emerging champions of public sanitation? Mobility experts developing innovative solutions to gridlock? Host a Networking event at WUF11 in Katowice!

The World Urban Forum (WUF) offers the opportunity to make global connections with other professionals, to identify approaches to domesticating the New Urban Agenda as part of the decade of action to accelerate progress toward achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

Stakeholders from governments, civil society, academia, intergovernmental institutions, the private sector, and others are welcome to submit an application to host a networking event to share ideas and strengthen partnerships, to build knowledge and identify best practices, and to identify practical and innovative solutions to the challenges of human settlements around the world.

Each Networking event will last 1.5 hours and can accommodate up to 100 people. Hosts can draw on technical support that includes audio visual equipment, projectors, laptops, and presentation screens. Additional costs are assessed for interpretation.

Eligible organisations are encouraged to align their applications to the WUF11 theme: Transforming our Cities for a Better Urban Future, and to one of the six dialogue sub-themes. For more information about the context and thematic approach of WUF11, click HERE.

To foster collaboration and share experience, we encourage event organisers to identify cohosts to include in your applications. If two applications are similar, we may suggest a collaboration to ensure a broad spectrum of partnerships among stakeholders for networking and other events.

To apply online, please register first and find the link within your profile dashboard. Application deadline for Networking events is 7 March 2022. No incomplete applications, or applications in any language other than English, will be considered. Successful applicants will be notified from 30 March 2022 onwards.

An independent panel will assess each application based on the following criteria:

- Thematic link and relevance to the WUF11 theme or dialogues
- Intended aim and outcomes of the event, applying results-based management approach
- Quality of the proposal in terms of event content
- Innovation in outreach/mobilisation strategy to promote attendance
- Past organisational experience at WUF
- Inclusivity and gender balance among organising entities and panelists

All costs associated with networking events will be borne by event organising entities. Event organisers will be required to self-report on the event to UN-Habitat within a month after the end of WUF11.

For questions or clarifications please write an email to the WUF11 organisers at <u>unhabitat-</u> wuf@un.org