



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S Member States Briefing on Eleventh Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF11)

20 May 2022



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Welcome to WUF11!



The Eleventh Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF11) will take place in **Katowice**, Poland **26-30 June 2022**

Transforming Our Cities for a Better Urban Future

Stakeholders from around the world will provide in-person and virtual insights on the urban transformation agenda as part of the decade of action to achieve the SDGs.



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| WUF11 Advance Mission: 20 – 22 April 2022

Mission composition

1. Ambassador Ms. Jean Kimani, Permanent Representative (**Kenya**)
2. Ambassador Mr. Marek Rohr-Garztecki, Permanent Representative (**Poland**)
3. Mr. Clément Payeur, Deputy Permanent Representative (**France**) – attended online
4. Mr. Peter Oborn, Senior Vice-President of Commonwealth Association of Architects, UN-Habitat Stakeholder Advisory Group Enterprise (**SAGE**)



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Recommendations

1. Confident that the WUF11 will be able to convene at Katowice on 26 to 30 June 2022 as scheduled
2. **Recommend** to develop clear communications with a **joint press release**
3. **Recommend** that UN-Habitat continues to monitor the security situation in coordination with the Government of Poland and updates the Executive Board appropriately

Observations

1. **Appreciated** the Host Country and City's preparations including efforts to address safety and security as well as health measures
2. **Impressed** with the **Government of Poland's management and empathic care for refugees** from Ukraine



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| From Advance Mission to *Road to Katowice* - Side Event at HLM

WUF11 Advance Mission

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Mission Objective

To support in the preparations for organising the WUF11 in June 2022 from perspectives of **safety and security, programme, logistics and operations**

HLM side event on *Road to Katowice*

29 April 2022

Drawing upon the outcome of the High-Level Meeting, WUF11 presents an opportunity for constituencies to discuss and deliberate on the **means of implementation for the New Urban Agenda** during and beyond the Forum



| Updated Programme

In response to urban crisis recovery and reconstruction and strengthening of UN-Habitat's **Domain of Change 4: Effective urban crisis prevention and response**, there will be an “extraordinary dialogue” and 2 special sessions featuring the crisis response and recovery.



Extraordinary
Dialogue on urban
crisis response



Equitable urban
futures



Innovation and
Technology for
Inclusive Urban
Futures



Urban Planning and
Governance for
Sustainable Urban
Futures



Greener
Urban
Futures



Resilient Economies
and Sustainable
Finance: Catalyst for
Productive Urban
Futures



Building Resilience for
Sustainable Urban
Futures



Updated Programme at a Glance



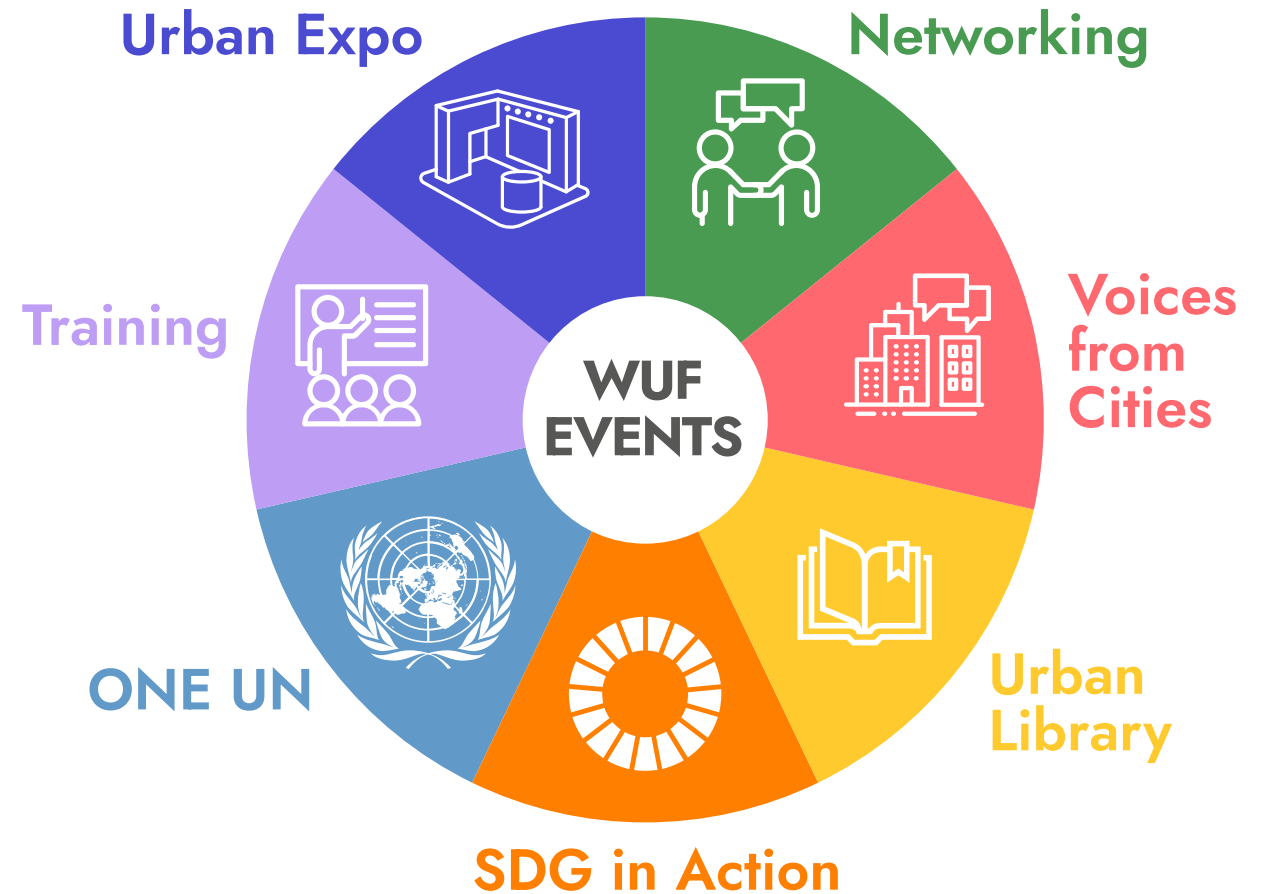
Sunday, 26 June	Monday, 27 June	Tuesday, 28 June	Wednesday, 29 June	Thursday, 30 June
	WUF11 Urban Expo	WUF11 Urban Expo	WUF11 Urban Expo	WUF11 Urban Expo
	European Track events	European Track events	European Track events	European Track events
Caucus meeting	Caucus meeting	Caucus meeting	Caucus meeting	Caucus meeting
WUF11 Flag raising ceremony (TBC)				
Joint opening of the Assemblies				
Grassroots Assembly				
Children and Youth Assembly				
World Assembly of Local and Regional Governments				
Women's Assembly				
Business Assembly				
	<p>Opening Ceremony of the Eleventh Session of the World Urban Forum</p> <p>Opening Exhibition (TBC)</p> <p>Opening Press Conference</p> <p>Extraordinary Dialogue on Urban Crisis Response</p> <p>Ministerial Roundtable</p> <p>One UN Roundtable</p> <p>National Urban Policies in a Changing World Roundtable - led by POLAND</p> <p>SPECIAL SESSION Urban Recovery Frameworks: Making the Humanitarian Development-Peace Nexus Work</p> <p>SPECIAL SESSION Urban Data and Circular Economy</p> <p>ONE UN</p> <p>Voices from Cities</p> <p>SDGs in Action</p> <p>Urban Library</p> <p>Urban Cinema</p> <p>UN-Habitat Arena</p> <p>Networking Events</p>	<p>Events in the Press Conference Centre</p> <p>Dialogue 1 Equitable Urban Futures</p> <p>Dialogue 2 Building Resilience for Sustainable Urban Futures</p> <p>Press Conference</p> <p>Local and Regional Governments Roundtable</p> <p>Older Persons Roundtable</p> <p>POLAND SPECIAL SESSION Rebuilding Communities and Neighbourhoods After War</p> <p>SPECIAL SESSION National Urban Forums - Strategic Platforms for Implementing the SDGs and the New Urban Agenda</p> <p>SPECIAL SESSION Delivering Affordable Housing Across Continents</p> <p>ONE UN</p> <p>Voices from Cities</p> <p>SDGs in Action</p> <p>Urban Library</p> <p>Urban Cinema</p> <p>UN-Habitat Arena</p> <p>Networking Events</p> <p>Training Events</p>	<p>Events in the Press Conference Centre</p> <p>Dialogue 3 Future Urban Economy and Finance</p> <p>Dialogue 4 Integrated Governance in Spatial Planning for a More Just, Green, and Healthy Urban Future</p> <p>Press Conference</p> <p>Business and Industries Roundtable</p> <p>Women's Roundtable</p> <p>Academia Roundtable</p> <p>SPECIAL SESSION Prerequisites for Productive Investment in Infrastructure and Sustainable Urban Development</p> <p>SPECIAL SESSION Localizing the SDGs</p> <p>ONE UN</p> <p>Voices from Cities</p> <p>SDGs in Action</p> <p>Urban Library</p> <p>Urban Cinema</p> <p>UN-Habitat Arena</p> <p>Networking Events</p> <p>Training Events</p>	<p>Events in the Press Conference Centre</p> <p>Dialogue 5 Transforming Cities through Innovative Solutions and Technologies</p> <p>Dialogue 6 Greener Urban Futures</p> <p>Press Conference</p> <p>Civil Society Organizations and Grassroots Roundtable</p> <p>SPECIAL SESSION People Centred Smart Cities</p> <p>ONE UN</p> <p>Voices from Cities</p> <p>SDGs in Action</p> <p>Urban Library</p> <p>Urban Cinema</p> <p>UN-Habitat Arena</p> <p>Networking Events</p> <p>Training Events</p>
				<p>Closing Press Conference (TBC)</p> <p>Closing Ceremony of the Eleventh Session of the World Urban Forum From WUF11 to WUF12</p> <p>WUF11 Flag lowering ceremony (TBC)</p>

Seven types of partner-led events at WUF11

Received nearly 1,000 event applications for the first time

Urban Expo is the most popular attraction at every WUF

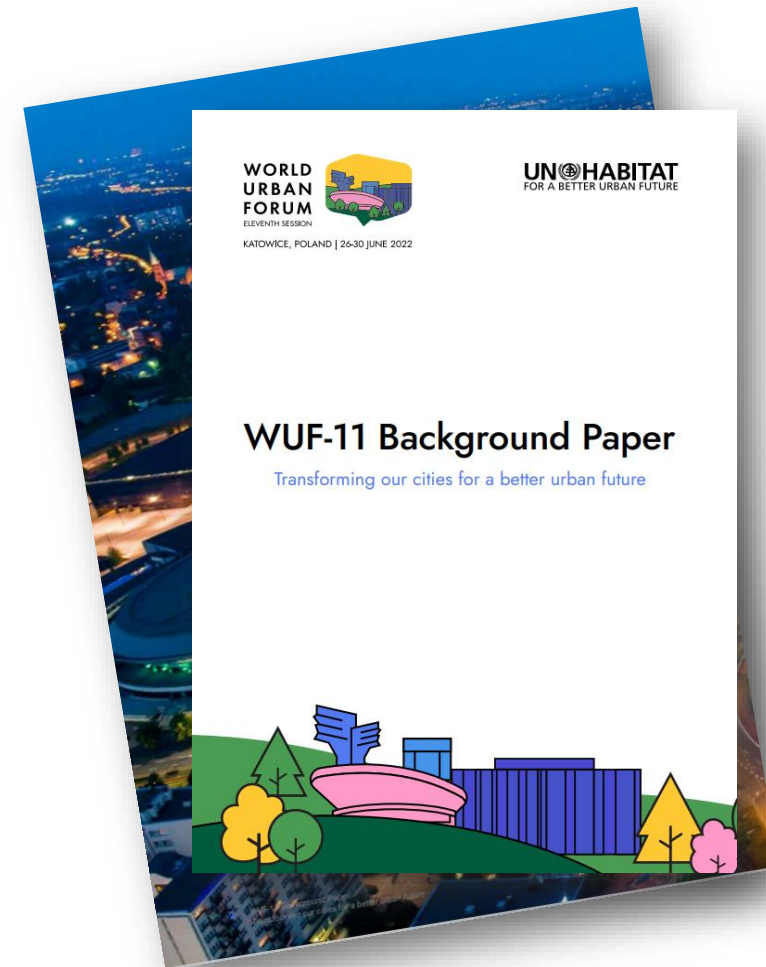
Received a record total of 184 applications for exhibition space from 60 countries



On the Agenda at WUF11: Linkages and Synergies

WUF11 Background Paper sets the tone for debate and discussion, including sharing of best practice for replication, scale and adaptation to different contexts, with dimensions of the transformation agenda for Dialogues

Background paper also features the dimension of **crisis response to post-conflict/disaster**, and **recovery** and **reconstruction** as a key theme



| First Meeting of the WUF Alumni Network - *Fulfilling commitments of the World Urban Forum*

WUF Alumni Network Meeting 10-12 May 2022 in Cairo, Egypt

Co-hosted by Abu Dhabi Department of Municipalities and Transport and Egypt as the future WUF12 host

Focused on:

- 1) **Why** do we continue to host the WUF?
- 2) **What** can be done better to improve the WUF experience?
- 3) **What** happens after hosting the event?
- 4) **How** will the alumni network organise and engage to achieve the why and the what?



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| WUF11: Registration



Total Participants registered (as of 20 May 2022)

= **6380** from **152** countries.



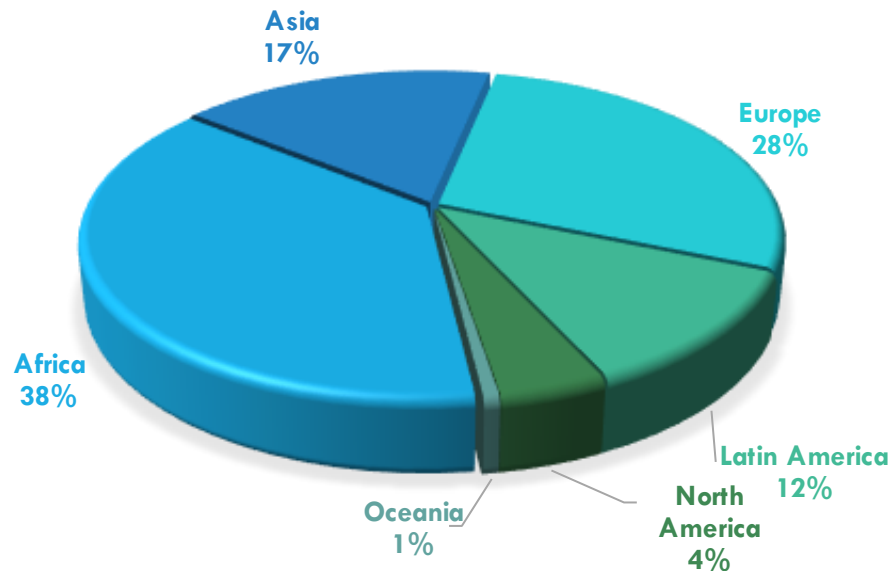
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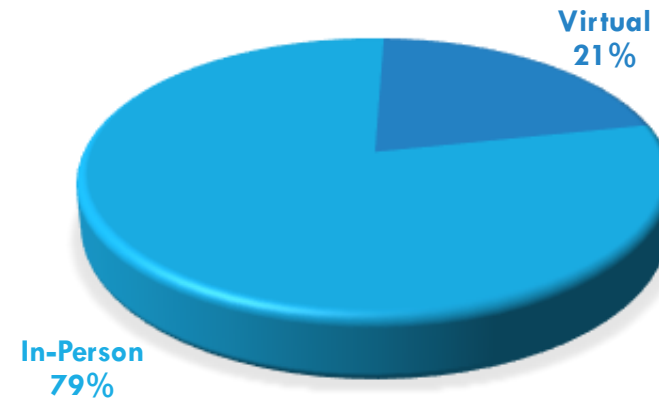
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REGISTRATION BY REGION

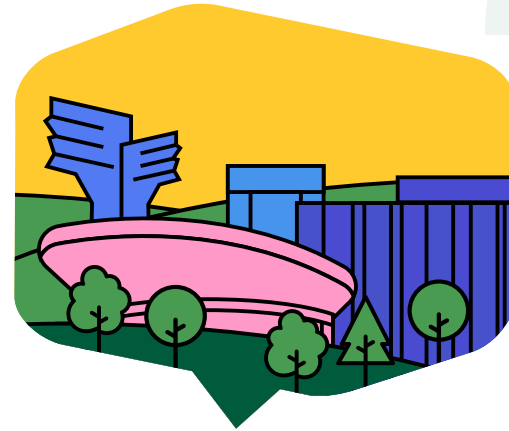


PLANNED ATTENDANCE



WORLD URBAN FORUM

ELEVENTH SESSION



KATOWICE, POLAND | 26-30 JUNE 2022