



ESCWA



UN-HABITAT
- United
Nations Human
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ATO - Arab
Towns
Organization



Ministry of Housing,
Utilities and Urban
Communities-General
Organization for
Physical Planning



LAS - League
of Arab States

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High Level Arab Meeting on Sustainable Arab Cities,
Security of Tenure and Good Urban Governance
Cairo, 15-18 December 2005

Proposed Organization of Work

Thursday, 15 December 2005

<u>Time</u>	<u>Day 1</u>
8:00-11:30	Registration for participants in the High Level Arab Meeting and the Regional Arab Conference
11:30-12:00	Meeting for the Organizers
12:00-13:30	Joint opening session and procedural session and opening of the exhibition
13:30-15:00	Lunch

Theme 1: “ESCWA countries and the Status of Housing and Land Tenure and Good Urban Governance”

Session 1: Hearing Session

15:00-15:20	Regional role of ESCWA and issues of secure housing and land tenure and good urban governance speaker: ESCWA
15:20-15:40	Overview of the Egyptian National Initiative for Secure Housing and land Tenure and Good Urban Governance speaker: General Organization for Physical Planning- Ministry of Housing, Utilities and Urban Communities, Egypt
15:40-16:00	Coffee Break

Theme 2: “ESCWA countries and Cairo Declaration on the Regional Campaign on Secure Housing and Land Tenure and Good Urban Governance”

Session 2: Round Table

16:00-18:00 Round Table on the impact of the regional dimension on launching the Regional Campaign on Security of Tenure and Good Urban Governance in ESCWA countries

16:00-17:00 Overview of Cairo declaration on the regional campaign in ESCWA countries speaker: ESCWA

17:00-18:00 Overview of official delegations’ position towards the Regional Campaign speaker: representatives of official delegations

18:00-19:00 General Discussion

20:30 Dinner

Friday, 16 December 2005

Time **Day 2**

Theme 3: “Global response to launching the Habitat Campaigns on “Security of Tenure” and “Good Urban Governance”

Session 3

9:00-9:30 Overview of Habitat Global Campaigns prospects and report on progress achieved on the global and regional level speaker: UN-Habitat

9:30-10:00 Overview of Morocco’s experience in launching the two Habitat Global Campaigns speaker: Morocco’s representative

10:00-10:20 Discussion

10:20-10:30 Coffee Break

Theme 4: “National Initiatives: Mechanisms and Standards of the Regional Campaign on Secure Housing and Land Tenure and Good Urban Governance”

Session 4

- 10:30-18:00 Overview of proposed framework for national initiatives of ESCWA countries
- 10:30-10:40 Structure of proposed framework for national initiatives speaker: ESCWA
- 10:40-11:10 Proposed framework for national initiatives: Framework for government institutions speaker: ESCWA / consultant from the Housing and Urban Development Corporation- Jordan
- 11:10-11:30 Discussion
- 11:30-13:00 Free Time
- 13:00-13:30 Proposed framework for national initiatives: Framework for local authorities speaker: ESCWA / consultant from municipal council of Aleppo - Syria
- 13:30-14:00 Proposed framework for national initiatives: Framework for non governmental organizations speaker: ESCWA / consultant- Lebanon
- 14:00-14:30 Discussion
- 14:30-16:00 Lunch
- 16:00-16:30 Role of ESCWA and UN-Habitat in supporting national initiatives speaker: ESCWA and UN-Habitat
- 16:30-17:00 Media regional campaign strategy to support national initiatives in ESCWA countries speaker: ESCWA / consultant- Lebanon
- 17:00-18:00 Discussion

Saturday, 17 December 2005

Time **Day 3**

Theme 5: “Sustainable Development and Security of Housing and Land Tenure and Good Urban Governance at the national and local levels”

Session 5

9:00-9:45 Overview of comparative analysis framework on issues of security of housing and land tenure and good urban governance in ESCWA countries speaker: ESCWA/Consultant

Session 6

9:45-10:30 Overview of report on status of Arab cities and security of housing and land and good urban governance speaker: ESCWA and Arab Towns Organization

10:30-10:50 Coffee break

10:50-13:00 Roundtable to coordinate with official delegations concerning the launching of national and local initiatives for Secure housing and land tenure and good Urban Governance

13:00-15:00 Lunch

15:00- Free programme

Sunday, 18 December 2005

Time **Day 4**

9:00-11:00 Discussion of recommendations and final report of the High Level Arab Meeting

11:00-14:00 Joint sessions with the Arab Conference on Urban Rural interlinkages
- Workshop on Urban Observatories
- Workshop on the Arab Preparatory Meeting for the participation of Arab countries in the Third Urban Forum- Vancouver 2006

N.B. If discussion of one item is completed in less time, discussion will move to the next item on the agenda