



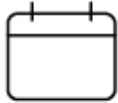
WUF12 Updates

Ad-hoc Working Group on PBA

11 March 2024



What is covered?



UPDATES



**PARTNER-
LED EVENTS**



HOW TO APPLY

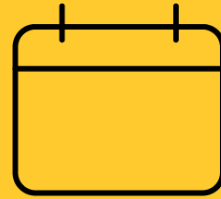


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Updates

When

4 - 8 November 2024

Where

Egypt International Exhibition Centre

Who

Over 20,000 participants expected in person and virtually

WORLD URBAN FORUM

TWELFTH SESSION

CAIRO, EGYPT | 4–8 NOVEMBER 2024

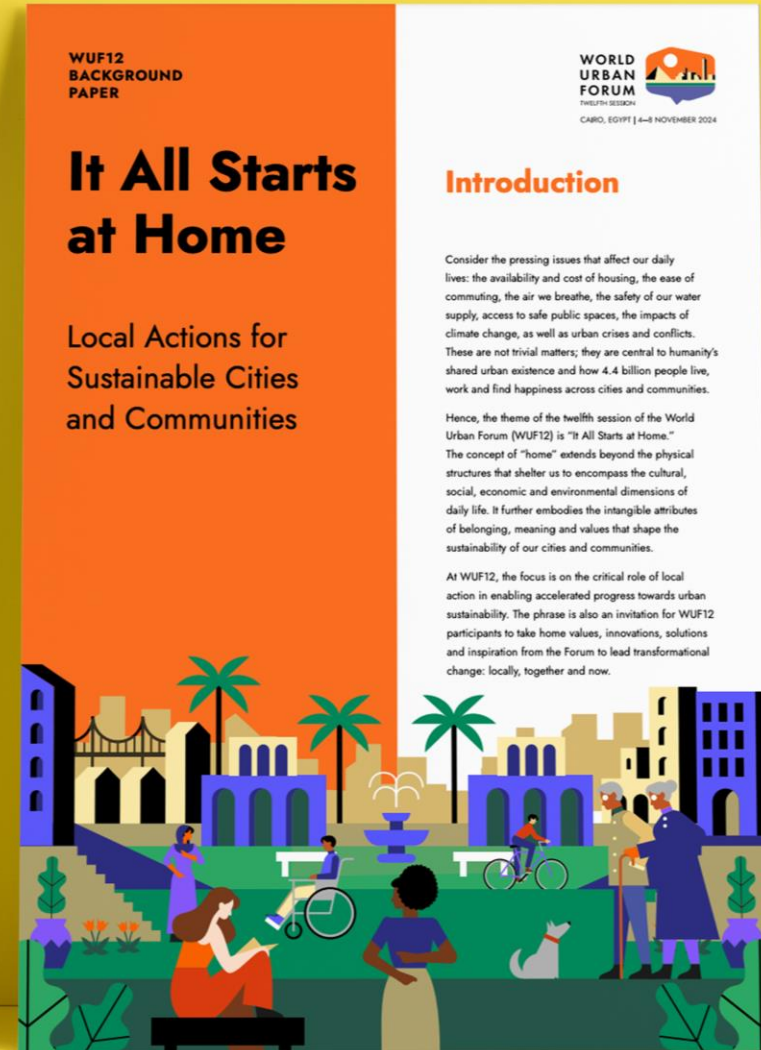


Theme

It All Starts at Home

Local Actions for Sustainable Cities and Communities

WUF12 Background Paper is available in our website.



Dialogues

The Dialogues are the high-profile events which set the agenda for policy and action.

They provide a platform for global thinkers, practitioners and decision-makers to share insights, and includes active discussion with the audience.

Discussions collect key reflections on the implementation status and achievement of the New Urban Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals.



The Six WUF12 Dialogues

The WUF12 theme “It All Starts at Home: Local Actions for Sustainable Cities and Communities” is supported by six dialogues, each exploring a different dimension of the theme.

1

**Housing
our future**

2

**Cities and the
climate crisis**

3

**Stronger
Together**

4

**Financing
localization and
localizing
finance**

5

**Putting
people first in
a digital era**

6

**The loss
of home**

Engaging Member States

The WUF12 provides a variety of engagement opportunities, networking spaces, and collaborative discussions throughout 5 days.

Member states are encouraged to;

- a. **nominate their ministers and delegates.**
- b. notify the Secretariat of Governing Bodies (SGB) of UN-Habitat **through a Note verbale (NV)** as soon as possible.
- c. The WUF coordination office will **identify** the best opportunities for **ministers and nominated delegates** to engage in.

1

Showcase country initiatives at the Urban Expo
– info will be shared in coming weeks

2

Apply to hosting a partner-led event

3

Engage with other ministers and high-level representatives in any of the six dialogues, or at the Ministerial Round table



Partner-led events

Why join as an event organizer or attendee?

Showcase your work

- Present your projects and research to a global audience
- Establish yourself as a thought leader in urban development

Collaborate and Learn

- Engage in interactive sessions with diverse stakeholders
- Learn from fellow experts and practitioners
- Contribute to discussions shaping urban policies worldwide



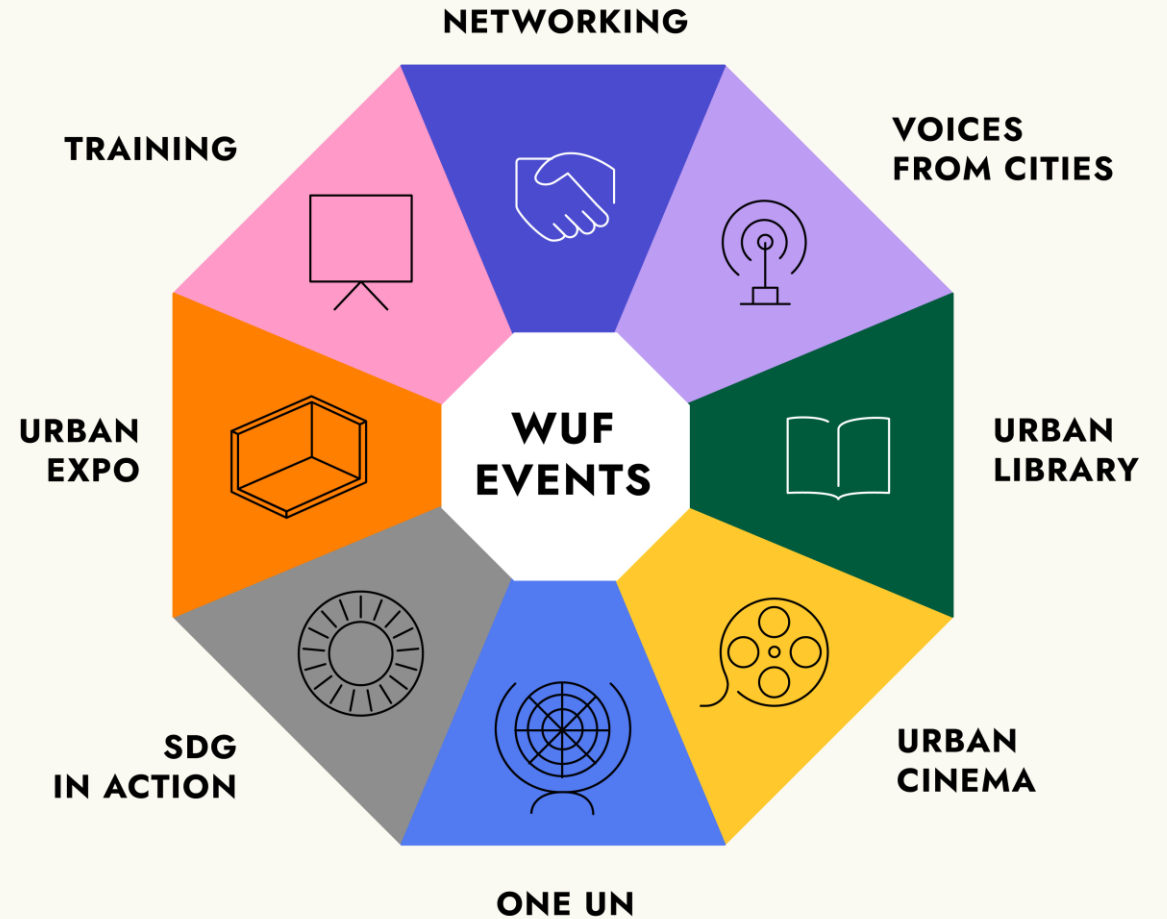
Partner-led events

Stakeholders are the heart of the World Urban Forum.

Whether citizen, local and national government representatives, academia, private sector, civil society, UN entities, grassroots, international organizations, etc.; are all welcome to apply to host partner-led events.

In-depth event descriptions are available on the WUF website.

Partner-led events applications will remain open **until 6 p.m. (UTC + 2) on 08 April 2024**





How to apply for an event

Register and apply through GEMS

The Global Events Management System (GEMS) is a digital platform specifically designed to meet UN-Habitat's needs.

1 Sign up and create your Profile.

2 Login in GEMS and register for WUF12 (or other events hosted by UN-Habitat once they are open).

3 Within your personal dashboard, study the different event types for WUF12 available and select what is suitable to your organization.

4 Read the mandatory criteria of selection to ensure you adhere to all requirements.

5 Submit your event application. Only one submission per event type is allowed from the same organization.

6 Wait for the outcome!

Questions on the registration and application process in GEMS?

Contact us for more information and assistance with GEMS at:

unhabitat-events@un.org

Selection Criteria

- 1** Submissions should include **at least one co-organizer**, and up to 4 organizations.
- 2** **Select one** Dialogue and describe the relevance of your event to it and the WUF12 theme.
- 3** Intended **aim and outcomes** of the event.
- 4** **Quality** of the proposal.
- 5** Innovation in **outreach/mobilization strategy**
- 6** **Inclusivity aspects** of your panel: gender parity, youth, etc; up to 5 panellists and 1 moderator.
- 7** Link your event to a maximum of three **SDGs** at Goal or Target level.
- 8** The organizer of the event **must** attend in person.
- 9** Applications must be submitted in **English**.

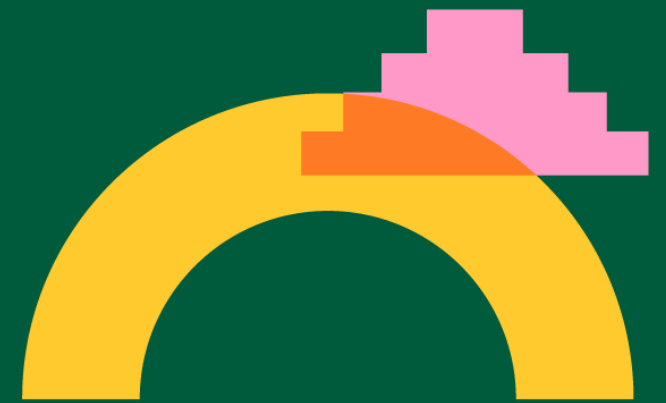
Applications are open

<https://events.unhabitat.org/>



Urban Cinema and Urban Expo applications are coming soon.





See you in Cairo Thank you!

Questions? Check the Practical Info section on our website or contact us at: unhabitat-wuf@un.org

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