



**UNITED NATIONS
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
INTEGRATION SEGMENT**

SUSTAINABLE URBANIZATION

27-29 May 2014

United Nations Headquarters, New York

By 2050, about 70 per cent of the world's population is expected to live in urban areas, and over 60 per cent of the land projected to become urban by 2030 is yet to be built. There is no doubt that urbanization, if done right, can deliver a sustainable future.

To be chaired by

H.E. Mr. Vladimir Drobnyak, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Republic of Croatia to the United Nations and Vice-President of ECOSOC

With confirmed speakers (as of 12 May)

SPECIAL ADDRESSES

H.E. Mr. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda

H.E. Mr. Angelino Garzon, Vice-President of Colombia

H.E. Mr. Michael Bloomberg, Former Mayor of New York City and
UN Special Envoy for Cities and Climate Change

MEMBER STATES

H.E. Mr. Mohand Laenser, Minister of Planning and Development, Morocco

H.E. Mr. Kadir Topbaş, Mayor of Istanbul and President of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

H.E. Ms. Anne Hidalgo, Mayor of Paris

H.E. Ms. Cristina Alvarez Rodriguez, Minister of Government of the Province of Buenos Aires

H.E. Mr. Khalifa Sall, Mayor of Dakar

H.E. Mr. Mpho Parks Tau, Mayor of Johannesburg (*via video-link*)

H.E. Ms. Susana Villarán, Mayor of Lima

H.E. Mr. Fathallah Oualalou, Mayor of Rabat and former Minister of Finance and Economy

H.E. Ms. Jacqueline Moustache-Belle, Mayor of Victoria

UN SYSTEM

H.E. Mr. John W. Ashe, President of the General Assembly

Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General, United Nations

Mr. Joan Clos, Executive Director of UN-Habitat

Mr. Maged Abdelaziz, Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Africa

Mr. Andrew Reynolds, Chairperson of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

Ms. Aisa Kirabo Kacyira, Deputy Executive Director, UN-Habitat

Ms. Zoubida Allaoua, Acting Vice President and Network Head, Sustainable Development, World Bank

Mr. Hans d'Orville, Assistant Director-General for Strategic Planning, UNESCO

Mr. Ibrahim Thiaw, Deputy Executive Director, UNEP

CIVIL SOCIETY

Professor Eugenie Birch, Urban Research and Education, the University of Pennsylvania School of Design

Mr. Lance J. Brown, President of American Institute of Architects (AIA) New York Chapter, and Founding Director, Consortium
for Sustainable Urbanization

Mr. Xavier Briggs, Vice-President, Ford Foundation

Mr. Holger Dalkmann, Director, Embarq

Ms. Carmen Griffiths, Executive Director, Construction Resource and Development Center, Kingston, Jamaica

Ms. Skye Dobson, Executive Director, ASTogether Uganda, Slum Dwellers International

Mr. Peter Calthorpe, Principal, Calthorpe Associates, Urban Designers, Planners and Architects

Professor Yang Kaizhong, Peking University

Mr. David Post, Executive Manager, Global Smarter Cities, IBM

Ms. Clara Irazabal Zurita – Latin Lab/Columbia University

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Richard Florida, Professor, University of Toronto and NYU; Senior Editor, The Atlantic



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- Focus:** Sustainable urbanization
- Objective:** Provide a multi-stakeholder platform to demonstrate how urbanization can be an effective tool for the integration of economic, social and environmental dimensions of sustainable development.
- When:** 27-29 May 2014
- Where:** United Nations Economic and Social Council, UN Headquarters, NY
- Who:** Attending the three-day event will be high-level representatives of Member States, including ministers, mayors and ambassadors, and the United Nations system and civil society actors.
- What:** The meeting will feature various interactive panel discussions, dialogues, and a town-hall style meeting. Side events, that will be organized by Member States, the United Nations system and other stakeholders during these three days, will offer opportunities for ministers, mayors and other stakeholders to engage with each other on the future of cities.
- Organizers:** The Integration Segment, to be chaired by H.E. Mr. Vladimir Drobnyak, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Republic of Croatia to the United Nations and Vice-President of ECOSOC, is being organized by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) in collaboration with UN-Habitat and the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), and with support of the United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG).
- Website:** <http://www.un.org/en/ecosoc/integration/2014>

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