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Habitat III

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Esta sesión plenaria estratégica estará dedicada al proceso de Habitat III, la 3ª Conferencia de las Naciones Unidas sobre la Vivienda y el Desarrollo Urbano Sostenible, a celebrarse en 2016. El 4º Congreso de CGLU en Rabat representará una etapa en el camino hacia la gran cumbre urbana de 2016. Habitat III debe marcar un punto de inflexión y un salto cualitativo en las relaciones entre la ONU y los gobiernos locales y regionales, camino del reconocimiento del estatus especial.

Esta plenaria estratégica abordará igualmente las siguientes cuestiones: ¿Cuáles son los temas esenciales para los gobiernos locales y regionales que deben ser incluidos en la nueva Agenda?; ¿Cómo garantizar una fuerte representación de las autoridades locales y regionales en el proceso hacia la 2ª Asamblea de Ciudades, Autoridades Locales y Regionales y de sus asociaciones en 2016? Estas son algunos de los temas que serán tratados a lo largo de esta sesión.

Speakers

- Aisa Kirabo Kacyira
- Alain Marie Juppé
- António Costa
- Augusto Barrera
- Chen Jianhua
- Femi Oke
- Jeffrey O’Malley
- Parks Tau
Aisa Kirabo Kacyira

Deputy Executive Director, UN-Habitat

United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has appointed Ms. Aisa Kirabo Kacyira of the Republic of Rwanda as Deputy Executive Director and Assistant Secretary-General for UN-HABITAT.

Ms. Kirabo was the Governor of Eastern Province, the largest province in Rwanda with a population of 2.5 million. Previously, she was Mayor of Kigali City (2006 - 2011)

Currently, Ms. Kirabo is assisting the Executive Director, Dr. Joan Clos, in the overall management of UN-HABITAT to achieve its mandate and supporting the new UN-HABITAT agenda to face the urban challenges by strengthening urban policies to generate more equitable, wealthy and sustainable cities. Among her many important responsibilities, Ms. Kirabo is supporting Dr. Clos in advancing the key reviews currently underway at UN-HABITAT, including the review of UN-Habitat's strategic priorities for the coming years leading to Habitat III in 2016.

Ms. Kirabo was educated at James Cook University, Australia where she gained her Masters in Veterinary Science in Animal Production and Economics and at Makerere University, Uganda where she gained her Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine. She is currently pursuing an MBA in the School of Finance and Banking, Rwanda/Maastricht School of Management, Netherlands.

Alain Marie Juppé

Mayor of Bordeaux, France. President of the French Association of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (AFCCRE)
Alain Juppé, born in 1945, is a French politician. A member of the Gaullist Rally for the Republic (RPR), he entered the Inspection des Finances in 1972. Juppé was France's budget minister (1984-86) and government spokesman (1986-88). In 1993, Juppé became foreign minister under Édouard Balladur, and then succeeded him as premier in 1995. That year he was also elected RPR president and mayor of Bordeaux till 1997. From 2002 to 2004 he was chairman of the Union for the Presidential Majority. He returned to government as mayor of Bordeaux. In 2007, Juppé was briefly minister of state for the environment and sustainable development, then he subsequently served as defence minister (2010-11) and foreign minister (2011-).

Portugal

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António Costa

Alcalde de Lisboa, Portugal / Co-Presidente de CGLU


Alcalde de Lisboa a partir del 1 de agosto de 2007, fue reelegido el 11 de octubre de 2009. También es el antiguo Presidente de UCCLA y Presidente de la Delegación Portuguesa en el Comité de las Regiones (1ª parte del mandato, 2010-2012).

Ecuador

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Augusto Barrera

Mayor of Quito

Adrián Augusto Barrera Guarderas, actualmente es el alcalde del Distrito Metropolitano de Quito. Se graduó del colegio Sebastián de Benalcázar.

Fue Concejal Metropolitano de Quito de enero de 2005 a octubre de 2008, donde presidió la comisión de Salud y fue Vicepresidente de las Comisiones de Educación y Áreas Históricas del Concejo Metropolitano.

Entre Diciembre de 2007 y Julio de 2008 fue además el Coordinador de Contenidos entre el Gobierno Nacional del Ecuador y la Asamblea Constituyente.
Barrera es miembro de la Directiva Nacional y del Buró Político de Alianza PAIS.

China

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Chen Jianhua

Mayor of Guangzhou

Mr. Chen Jianhua, was born in March 1956 in Lufeng County of Guangdong Province, China. When China resumed its college entrance examination in 1978, Mayor Chen became one of the first college students, during which he obtained a Bachelor’s degree from Beijing University of Science and Technology and became an engineer. Later on, he obtained a Master degree in administration from the School of Administrative Affairs, Sun Yat-sen University. Mr. Chen has been devoted to local governments and public administration for nearly 30 years. In December 2011, he became Acting Mayor of Guangzhou and took his current post in January 2012.

Chen Jianhua was an eye-witness in Guangdong’s reform and opening up, marked by the southern tour of the late leader Mr. Deng Xiaoping, whose reform conception influenced Mr. Chen so deeply as to bestow him with an innovative vision in administration. He was one of China’s first official leaders to publicize his email address and micro-blog (the Chinese twitter) account. He took the lead in interacting with micro-bloggers to reach to the grass roots and exerted to construct a transparent and trustworthy government. After he became Mayor of Guangzhou, the city became a platform for international cities to exchange on innovative management by hosting the Guangzhou International Urban Innovation Conference and the Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation.

Chen Jianhua is a doer. In his political career, he always wards himself from avarice, idleness and emptiness. In his mind, one can’t establish prestige and credibility without incorruptness, just as stated in his public commitment that “once I greed for anything, I’ll be worth nothing”; one can’t make sense without practice, for which he had steeled himself into good health and strong determination within the six years as educated youth in 1970s; and one can’t benefit people without pragmatism, which is perfectly embodied in his hands-on approach, as Mayor of Guangzhou, to actively mobilizing the strength from all walks of life to vigorously promote garbage sorting for the realization of sustainable urban development. Besides, he holds that “the most critical destitution is the destitution of the public right”. Therefore, he earnestly fosters equalization in public service, intensifies assistance for those people in need and enhances urban employment and re-employment so as to secure people’s wellbeing.

Chen Jianhua is a dreamer. He dreams of polishing the glory of Guangzhou as a historical and cultural city and serving as a watcher, constructor and protector of Guangzhou’s historical culture which, for him, becomes more international when more unique. When he served as Director General of Guangzhou Publicity Department, he presided over the construction of large cultural infrastructure such as Guangzhou Opera House, the new Guangdong Museum, the new Guangzhou Library, organized a census of cultural relics in Guangzhou, which was promoted nationwide and labeled as “Guangzhou Experience”, and led the compiling of historically significant works such as Cantonese Opera Dictionary, Collection of Cultural Relics Census in Canton, Historical Records of Canton. Owing to his remarkable contribution to the protection of historical culture, Mr. Chen was presented by the UN with the Outstanding Contribution Award for Asia-Pacific Cultural Heritage Conservation.

Chen Jianhua is married and has one son.
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Femi Oke

Al Jazeera Anchor and broadcast journalist
Femi Oke is an Al Jazeera journalist, social media curator, speaker, moderator, media trainer, senior editor, television and radio correspondent. She graduated from Birmingham University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature and Language. She joined the BBC as a radio reporter and producer. Before re-locating to the US, Femi worked for BBC television and radio, Sky Television and all the UK terrestrial television networks.

Femi Oke joined CNN International in 1999. Based at the CNN Center in Atlanta she spent nine years anchoring and reporting.
Femi has assisted the United Nations World Meteorological Organization with training international broadcast meteorologists in Argentina and Mozambique.
She is currently based in Washington D.C. where she hosts the interactive current affairs programme "The Stream" for Al Jazeera English, and writes for the social media platform Upworthy.

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**Jeffrey O’Malley**

**Director of the Division of Policy and Strategy for UNICEF**

Jeffrey O’Malley is the Director of the Division of Policy and Strategy for UNICEF, based in New York. Mr O’Malley has over 25 years of experience in public health and development. Prior to joining UNICEF, Mr O’Malley’s background includes serving as the Director of HIV, Health and Development for UNDP and as the Country Director for India for PATH, the Program for Appropriate Technology in Health. Between 1993 and 2004, he established and led the International HIV/AIDS Alliance, which became the world’s largest international development nongovernmental organization specializing in HIV and AIDS. Mr. O’Malley has also worked for the Harvard School of Public Health and for the World Health Organization.
Parks Tau
Alcalde de Johannesburg

Parks Tau, Mayor for the City of Johannesburg, was born and raised in Orlando West, Soweto. At the youthful age of 25, he was appointed the chairperson of the Urban Development Committee of the then Southern Local Metropolitan Council (SLMC), where he was responsible for the planning function.

He was appointed a member of the mayoral committee following the first democratic local government elections in 2000. He was entrusted with a wide range of portfolios – development planning, transportation and environment.

In 2004, he was given the responsibility of the City's finance and economic development portfolios. As the head of Johannesburg's finances, reflecting Johannesburg's continuing success in delivering services to communities and creating a climate for economic growth and development.

Ségolène Royal
President of the Region Poitou-Charentes, President of the International Association of Francophone Regions (AIRF)

Since 2004, Ségolène Royal has been President of the Poitou-Charentes Regional Council and Vice-President of the Socialist International. She was the elected representative for Deux-Sèvres from 1988 to 2007. She has served three times as a minister: Minister for the Environment (1992-1993), Minister for Education (1997-2000) and Minister for the Family, Childhood and Disabled Persons (2000-2002). In November 2006, she was chosen by the militant socialists to be the Socialist Party candidate for the 2007 presidential elections. On April 22, 2007, she became the first woman to reach the second round of a presidential election in France.

Throughout her entire career, Ségolène Royal has been steadfastly committed to making real changes through her political action. In this regard, she has been the driving force behind some of the emblematic reforms which have had an impact on the evolution of the society:

- the creation of the Handiscol plan, to enable all disabled children and teenagers to follow mainstream or specially adapted education;

- the creation of paternity leave, which reconciled for the first time the equality between men and
women in a concrete manner;

- the introduction of shared child custody, within the framework of effective family mediation;
- child protection, with a continued fight against all forms of violence.

The list headed by Ségolène Royal won the regional elections on March 28, 2004. She was elected President of the Regional Council of Poitou-Charentes on April 2, 2004. Since then, she has improved the management of the region, focused on the creation of businesses, supported employment, especially of young people, put the emphasis on life-long training and promoted environmental awareness.

In March 2010, she was re-elected for a second term as President of the Regional Council of Poitou-Charentes with 61% of votes.

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