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SPATIAL PLANNING AND SUSTAINABILITY

19 -21 June 2024 | Expo Georgia, Tbilisi, Georgia

LEPL Spatial and Urban Development Agency (SUDA) | United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) | Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia (MOESD)

DAY 1: Wednesday, 19 June 2024

08:30 - 17:00

SDG TRAINING WORKSHOP:

Planning for change with the SDGs and Enhanced Voluntary Local Reviews (VLR)

**preselected participants*

DAY 2: Thursday, 20 June 2024

08:30 - 10:30

REGISTRATION / WELCOME COFFEE

10:30 - 11:00

Exhibition inauguration

10:30 - 11:00

Welcome Speech

- **Levan Davitashvili**, First Deputy Prime Minister of Georgia, Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development
- **Nino Enukidze**, First Deputy Minister, Parliamentary secretary
- **Katja Schaefer**, Inter-Regional Advisor, UN-Habitat
- **Ioane Menabde**, Head of Spatial and Urban Development Agency (SUDA)

11:30 - 11:40

Keynote speech

- **Herman Pienaar**, Human Settlements Officer: Lead - Urban Lab at UN-Habitat (United Nations Human Settlements Programme)

12:00 - 13:30

LUNCH BREAK/ NETWORKING

Parallel Sessions

Session 1: Role of Adequate Housing in Promoting Social, Environmental and Economic Development in Georgia (Geo/Eng) - Room E - *panel discussion*

13:30 - 13:35	Keynote Speech from Moderator: Katja Schaefer, UN-Habitat
	Panel Discussion
13:35 - 14:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Tamar Kurtanidze, Head of Department of Social Protection, IDPs and Labour, Ministry of IDPs from the Occupied Territories, Health, Labour and Social Affairs of Georgia;● Vladimer (Lado) Vardosanidze, Architect-Urbanist, a professor at the Georgian Technical University● Levan Batiashvili, Acting Chairperson, LEPL Public Private Agency of Georgia
14:30 - 14:55	Q&A
14:55 - 15:00	Closing Remarks

Session 2: Safeguarding Georgia's Cultural and Natural Heritage (Geo/Eng) - Room A - *panel discussion*

13:30 - 13:35	Keynote Speech from Moderator: Tamar Ketiladze , Head of UNESCO and Internation Relations Unit, The National Agency for Cultural Heritage Preservation of Georgia
	Panel Discussion
13:35 - 14:35	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Nato Sultanishvili, Head of Planning and Development Service, LEPL Agency of Protected Areas● Lela Potskhverashvili, Deputy Director at Resorts Agency of Georgia● Teona Karchava, Head of the Protected Areas Policy Division, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia
14:35 - 14:55	Q&A

14:55 - 15:00	Closing Remarks
15:00 - 15:15	COFFEE BREAK
Session 3: Enhancing Local Impact Processes and Community Resilience through SDG Localization in Georgia (Geo/Eng) - Room E - <i>panel discussion</i>	
Opening segment	
15:15 - 15:25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Katja Schaefer, Inter-regional advisor, UN-Habitat • Natia Tsikaradze, Head of Policy Planning Unit, Administration of the Government of Georgia
15:25 - 15:35	Summary of the training workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claudia Ribosa, UCLG • Sami Areikat, UNDESA
15:35 - 15:45	Presentation of the Local Impact Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Claudia Garcia Zaragoza, UN-Habitat • Xiaoqing Wang, UN-Habitat
15:45 - 16:25	Panel Discussion Keynote Speech from Moderator: Telman Maharramov, UN-Habitat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meerim Kydyralieva, Chief Specialist of the International Cooperation and Protocol Department, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan • Mr. Abidov Dovudzhon, Head of Economic, Finance, and Forecasting Department, Dushanbe Mayor's Office. • Vakhtang Lomjaria, Head of Municipal Department of Economic Development at Tbilisi City, Georgia • Siniša Trkulja, Spatial planner in the National Agency for Spatial Planning of the Republic of Serbia
16:15 - 16:35	Q&A
16:35 - 16:45	Closing Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Asanidze, Urban Planner

Session 4: Importance of Agglomeration Planning (Geo/Eng) - Room A - panel discussion

15:15 - 15:25	Keynote Speech from Moderator: Thomas Stellmach , TSPA - Planning as Opportunity
	Panel Discussion
15:25 - 16:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zurab Tsiklauri, Deputy Head of LEPL Spatial and Urban Development Agency• Merab Bolkvadze, Urbanist, Georgian Technical University• Herman Jean Pienaar, Human Settlements Officer: Lead - Urban Lab at UN-Habitat• Lidija Trpenoska Simonovik, Agency for Spatial Planning, North Macedonia• Revaz Sokhadze, Chairman of the Tbilisi City Council's Urban Planning and City Farming Commission, Tbilisi City Hall• Nino Latsabidze, Mayor, Rustavi Municipality
16:15 - 16:35	Q&A
16:35 - 16:45	Closing Remarks

DAY 3: Friday, 21 June 2024

10:00-10:30	WELCOME COFFEE
10:30 - 13:00	Finalize Declared Actions of parallel sessions of GNUF 2024
13:00 - 13:30	COFFEE BREAK
13:30 - 14:00	Presentation of declared actions of NUF Georgia 2024 and closing of the Forum