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Enabling urban sustainability transitions: policy integration and climate action by local authorities

Location: Amphitheatre

When: 8 December 2018, 14-00 - 15.00

Short description

Urbanisation is increasing rapidly, particularly in Asia and Africa. While an enabler of economic growth, the consequences of unplanned urbanisation and growing income inequality and social segregation in cities have pose threat to environment as well as on cities' cohesion limiting access to basic urban services, in particular energy, transport and waste management. Cities currently account for about 70 per cent of energy consumption and energy related Greenhouse Gas Emissions. Hence, proper urban planning with the integration of energy, transport and resources sectors in the delivery on the NDCs is vital for the success of global climate change mitigation efforts and inclusive urban accessibility.

This is a vital objective of the New Urban Agenda and this project will aim to help bringing together climate change and urban development objectives, by developing an interface between urban and national actions. The Urban Pathways project builds directly on the commitments delivered by countries as part of the UNFCCC and Habitat III processes and develop concrete implementation actions.

This event will present recent activities on implementation project development, policy integration and urban finance options.

Moderation: Marcus Mayr, UN-Habitat

Speakers:

Elizabeth Glass Municipal Finance Unit, Urban Economy and Finance Branch

Enabling urban transitions: Access to funding and finance for cities

Roman Mendle, ICLEI

Urban climate in action: the role of Smart Cities

Sabine Drees, Deutscher Städtetag

City-to-city cooperation in the Connective Cities partnership

Armin Wagner, GIZ

Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative

Mahendra Grabosh, Wuppertal Institute

Policy environments and urban climate action in Africa and Asia, examples from the Urban Pathways project

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