United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)
Second session of the Preparatory Committee
Nairobi, 14 - 16 April 2015

Side Event Application Form

1. Title of the proposed event

“Innovating in financing and mobilizing resources: Cities take the lead – Call for joint action”
15 April – 13:30-14:30

2. Outline the purpose of the event (100 words max)

Local and Regional Authorities (LRA) are experiencing more and more transformative innovation in partnering, but also in engineering and applying policies, strategies, and mechanisms, when it comes to mobilizing traditional and new resources, managing revenues and investments, promoting new models for quality local public services, sustainable socio-economic development and cohesion.

Strong propositions, operational programmes and approaches, launched by LRA associations and their committed partners, will be disclosed as a call for joint action.

Platforms on Subnational pooled financing mechanisms, municipal development funds, and local domestic resources mobilization will be discussed as well as experiences on and propositions for a global observatory on local finances, social and solidarity economy and finance, and cities climate finance.

3. Please explain to what extent the event will be relevant to Habitat III and Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (60 words max)

Directly pointing at the cross-cutting issue of financing sustainable local development, the event will bring concrete policy propositions and operational mechanisms and strategies to be promoted along the debates for the adoption of New Development and Urban Agendas, until Habitat III.

It will provide expert debate, good practices and propositions for joint action on several operational programmes, at the initiative of LRA Associations, and supported by a pool of already partnering stakeholders (DFIs, national governments, UN agencies, etc.).

4. Please list the number and names of other organizations / institutions involved in organizing and/or hosting the proposed event.

UN—Habitat
UNCDF
RIACFO—Network of African Local Authorities Financing Institutions
Mont-Blanc Meetings/International Forum of Social and Solidarity Economy Entrepreneurs
International Leading Group on Social and Solidarity Economy
UCLG’s Commission on Local Finance and Development
Global Task Force of Local and Regional Governments for Post-2015 Agenda towards Habitat III
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5. Please indicate the preferred date and time slot for the proposed event.

Preferably on the 15th April 2015 during the following times:
• 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
• 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

14 April 2015 during the following times:
• 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

6. Organizer Information

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