

UNESCO and Inclusive Urban Policies

Since 1996, UNESCO has been promoting the flagship principle of “Humanising the City” in close cooperation with UN-HABITAT Global Governance Campaign and UNDESA (United Nations Department for Economic and Social Affairs) to contribute to the United Nations Social Summit Declaration in Copenhagen *Creating Inclusive Societies* (1995), the Istanbul Declaration on Human Settlements (1996), as well as the Millennium Development Goals.

Within the framework of the United Nations Human Rights Approach to Development proposed in September 2005 by UN Secretary-General, UNESCO Urban Development Programme has contributed to create urban public policies which respect, protect and promote inclusiveness, social cohesion and local democracy. This work is based on the development of multi-disciplinary knowledge and comparative research, on capacity-building of urban professionals and civil society while focusing on raising awareness levels of national and local governments.

Considering the specificity of the Indian urban context, UNESCO New Delhi is currently developing a training tool for city professionals, *UNESCO – UN-HABITAT Historic Districts for All: A Social and Human Approach to Sustainable Revitalisation – A Guide for Urban Actors in India*, that will be launched at the 5th World Urban Forum (March 2010, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil). The Guide aims to document criteria and guidelines, best practices, texts and resources, experts and academic networks, NGOs and research institutions that can help local authorities implement revitalization projects in historical urban areas.

In collaboration with UN-HABITAT, the Institute of Social Sciences (ISS), the Italian Embassy Cultural Centre (Istituto Italiano di Cultura-IIC), the School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), UNESCO Chair on Social Sustainability of Historical Districts (Space Group – Yonsei University, Seoul, Republic of Korea) and UNESCO Chair on Social and Spatial Inclusion of Migrants: Urban Policies and Practices (IUAV, University of Venice, Italy), UNESCO, from 24 September to 1 October 2009, is organizing, and contributing to, a number of events and activities related to urban inclusive policies and practices in India, within the framework of its Social and Human Sciences programme.

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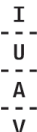


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Activities and Events UNESCO and Inclusive Urban Policies

24 September – 1 October 2009
New Delhi, India

in collaboration with:



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Date/Time	Event	Theme	Venue
Thursday 24 September 2009 5.00-6.30 PM	Habitat Summit 2009 Panel Discussion	Facilitating an Urban Renaissance: Role Of Educational Institutions In City Making	India Habitat Centre Stein Auditorium
Friday 25 September 2009 12.15-1.30 PM	Habitat Summit 2009 Panel Discussion	Social Inclusion for Urban Revitalisation in India	India Habitat Centre Stein Auditorium
Tuesday 29 September 2009 6.30-9.00 PM	Lecture	Social Inclusion in Urban Areas: A Comparative Perspective between Italy and India	Italian Embassy Cultural Centre (Istituto Italiano di Cultura-IIC)
Wednesday 30 September 2009 9.00 AM-6.00 PM	International Workshop	Social and Sustainable Revitalisation of Historical Urban Areas in India	School of Planning and Architecture (SPA)
Thursday 1 October 2009 10.00 AM-6.00 PM	Roundtable Discussion	Towards Inclusive Society: Urban Policies and Practices	Institute of Social Sciences (ISS)



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Activities and Events

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24 September – 1 October 2009
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Venue: India Habitat Centre, Stein Auditorium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi

Event: Session IV

***To register** for the Habitat Summit, contact:
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Time: 9 AM - 6 PM

- **Vijay Singh**, Deputy Commissioner, City Zone, Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD)
- **Renuka Gupta**, Ballimaran Municipal Councillor
- **Ranjit Mitra**, Director, School of Planning and Architecture
- **Armoogum Parsuramen**, Director and UNESCO Representative to Bhutan, India, Maldives and Sri Lanka
- **Paul Taylor**, Chief, Office of the Executive Director, UN-HABITAT
- **Marcello Balbo**, Professor, UNESCO Chair Social and Spatial Inclusion of International Migrants: Urban Policies and Practices, IUAV, University of Venice, Italy
- **Brigitte Colin**, Programme Specialist, Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO
- **Marina Faetanini**, Programme Specialist, Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO New Delhi

Venue: India Habitat Centre, Stein Auditorium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi

Event: Session VI

Rapid urbanisation in most developing countries is characterized by a growing number of urban poor and an overall deterioration of living conditions. Mitigation of urban policies that foster social and physical exclusion with local policies that recognize and respect the right of all, especially migrants and youth, to an adequate urban environment and ensures progressive empowerment in urban governance, is pursued by UNESCO in close cooperation with UN-HABITAT and UNDESA. UNESCO Tool Kits on Social Cohesion and Urban Diversity in City Management and Development will be disseminated in March 2010 at the World Urban Forum V in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) and in October 2010, during UN-HABITAT Forum on Harmonious Societies at Shanghai World Expo *Better City, Better Life*.

- **Kiran Dhingra**, Secretary, Minister of Housing and Poverty Alleviation and Minister of Tourism, GoI
- Participating experts**
- Co-chairs: **Arbind Singh**, Founder, Nidan & Co-ordinator, National Association of Street Vendors of India and **Brigitte Colin**, Programme Specialist, Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO
 - **Abha Lamba**, Conservation Architect
 - **Pankaj Vir Gupta**, Partner, Vir Mueller Architects
 - **Rahul Srivastava**, Founding Partner, URBZ- User Generated Cities
 - **Marcello Balbo**, Professor, UNESCO Chair on Social and Spatial Inclusion of International Migrants: Urban Policies and Practices, IUAV, University of Venice, Italy

Time:10.00 AM - 6.00 PM

- Urban Policies and Practices in Social and Spatial Inclusion of Migrants
- UN-HABITAT Asian study on Safety and Urban Poverty - a Framework for Urban Safety in India
- National Dialogue on UNESCO Coalition of Municipalities against Discrimination: Municipal Policies and Practices to Strengthen Vulnerable Groups
- UNESCO Project for the Establishment of an International Research Centre on Inclusive Cities (Porto Alegre, Brazil)

- **George Matthew**, Director, Institute of Social Sciences, New Delhi
- **Armoogam Parsuramen**, Director and UNESCO Representative to Bhutan, India, Maldives and Sri Lanka
- **Marcello Balbo**, Professor, UNESCO Chair on Social and Spatial Inclusion of International Migrants: Urban Policies and Practices, IUAV, University of Venice, Italy
- **Binod Khadria**, Professor, Director of International Migration and Diaspora Studies, Zakir Husain Center for Educational Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India
- **Cecilia Andersson**, Urban Safety Expert, UN-HABITAT
- **Kalpna Viswanath**, Women in Cities International/Jagori
- **Suriya Yeekhun**, Mayor of Prik and Representative, National Municipal League of Thailand
- **Sariya Sophia**, Regional Unit for Social and Human Sciences in Asia and the Pacific, UNESCO Bangkok

Venue: Italian Embassy Cultural Centre (Istituto Italiano di Cultura-IIC)

Time: 6.30 PM-9.00 PM

Organised in cooperation with the Italian Embassy Cultural Centre the lecture will provide an insight into urban developmental policies vis-à-vis social inclusion which is one of the most neglected aspects of urban planning. Comparing Italy and India, which have both a unique heritage and vibrant culture, the lecture will highlight the need for socially inclusive urban policies and describe urban practices to implement them.

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- Moderator: **Brigitte Colin**, Programme Specialist, Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO

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