

Side Event: Habitat III Regional Reports	
ORGANIZATION (PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS)	UN-Habitat UNECA UNECE UNESCAP UNESCWA UNECLAC
DATE/TIME	25 July, 1:30 p.m.- 2:30 p.m.
VENUE	Crystal 5
DESCRIPTION	<p>In the framework of the preparatory process for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III), the five UN Regional Economic and Social Commissions, in collaboration with the respective Regional Offices of UN-Habitat, prepared regional reports on the status of the urbanization, taking stock of the developments since the holding of Habitat II in 1996.</p> <p>The regional reports are the result of a holistic and participatory process that involved a number of experts and stakeholders, and were mandated by a UN General Assembly resolution to strengthen the contribution of the UN system in the Habitat III preparatory process.</p> <p>The main findings from the regional reports will be presented by the co-authors, outlining policy implications of key regional trends and priorities. The session will be opened by the United Nations Secretary General for Habitat III and followed by thematic presentations for each of the five regions by the UN Regional Commissions and UN Habitat. In the concluding part of the event ideas and proposals for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda will be discussed.</p>

