The third session of the Preparatory Committee of the third United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) - PrepCom3 - will be held in Surabaya, Indonesia, from Monday, 25 July to Wednesday, 27 July 2016.

Habitat III is the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development that is taking place in Quito, Ecuador, from 17 to 20 October 2016. The Conference will result in a concise, focused, forward-looking and action-oriented outcome document: The New Urban Agenda.

**Media Accreditation**

All media interested in attending PrepCom3 must be accredited by the United Nations Habitat III Secretariat.

There will be a dedicated media desk in the registration area. Please report directly to this desk. Anyone wishing to attend PrepCom3 as media, must show the following documents:

- A recognised national or international press association card;
- A corresponding national identification card;
- Two (2) examples of your work from the last 12 months (please submit direct links to published work, or scans if published in print media), AND
- A letter on headed paper from the place of employment outlining the role, OR For freelance journalists, a letter from a recognised media organisation outlining their intention to consider the material gathered for broadcast.

Although, on the spot registration will be considered, journalists are strongly recommended to register well in advance by sending scanned copies of the above documents to Habitat3media@un.org with copy to ketner@un.org and alli1@un.org to avoid possible delays and disappointments at the registration desk.

**Media Access**

Media will have access to the Opening and Closing of the Plenary sessions and all side events unless it is a closed side event. Please take guidance at all times from members of the Habitat III Secretariat and UN Security on access.

Please note: The PrepCom3 photobadge allows access to the conference rooms and Press Centre only. If you wish to access other areas, please speak directly to the Habitat III Press Team at the Press Centre.

**Media Centre**

The Media Centre is located in the Business Centre on the second floor. It is comprised of a press conference room and a media lounge intended for use by accredited journalists. Wifi is available. You may reach the Media Centre via habitat3media@un.org.

The Press Centre will be open 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., 25-27 July 2016.

**Press Conferences and Press Briefings**

A press briefing will take place in the Media Centre each morning at 9:00 a.m. Official press conferences are booked each day of the conference at 1:00 p.m.

Please find the latest Press and Media Schedule, including all Press Conferences, here: www.habitat3.org/prepcom3

If you wish to book the Press Conference Room please contact habitat3media@un.org
Photos, Photographers, and TV crews

Habitat III staff photographers will be covering the main sessions and photographs will be made available for use. Some sessions will be recorded and the main sessions will be webcast live. Unfortunately, we are unable to service specific video or photograph requests.

Please present all camera and video camera equipment to security for screening. Please note: all participants carrying professional camera or recording equipment will be treated as media for accreditation and access purposes.

Online communication (Website and Social Media)

An online communication team located at the Media desk will upload all public documents on the Habitat III website www.habitat3.org under ‘PrepCom3’.

Important updates will be shared on the corporate social media channels @Habitat3 under the Hashtag #Habitat3 and #H3PrepCom3

Urban Journalism Academy

On Tuesday, 26 July 2016, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., there will be an Urban Journalism Academy in the Media Centre. The Urban Journalism Academy is an initiative to train journalists and media professionals interested or involved in urban development with reference to social and economic issues facing cities in the 21st century. Please find the programme here: www.habitat3.org/prepcom3

Download Invitation to PrepCom3 Opening Press Conference.

Download PrepCom3 Media Schedule

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