



HABITAT III POLICY UNIT 6

Urban Spatial Strategies: Land Market and Segregation

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EXPERTS

Each Policy Unit is composed by 20 experts, coming from different geographic areas and constituencies. They have been appointed by the Secretary General of the Conference, in close consultation with the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee for Habitat III, after receiving nominations from Member States and stakeholders.

The main objectives of the Policy Unit are:

- // To bring together high-level expertise to explore state-of-the-art research and analysis on specific themes;
- // To identify good practices and lessons learned; and
- // To develop policy recommendations on particular issues regarding sustainable urban development.

Duties, and responsibilities for the policy unit experts

- Contribute with reviewing substantive documents prepared for the process of the Post-2015, and other relevant intergovernmental conferences;
- Support conducting analysis of the available data, including statistics and information in Habitat III Issue Papers, outcomes from official Regional and Thematic meetings, etc.
- Support preparation of the structure, the preliminary contents and messages of the Policy Papers at the first and second Expert Group Meetings (EGM1 and EGM2);
- Participate in meetings organized online and other virtual exchanges;
- Advise on incorporating proposed changes into the draft Policy Papers, harmonize Policy Papers and submit it to the Habitat III Secretariat.





The twenty experts for Policy Unit 6 are (alphabetical order):

Akiko Okabe

Professor, Division of Environmental Studies, University of Tokyo

She holds a Ph.D. in Environmental Studies from the University of Tokyo. Previously she was a Professor at Chiba University. She is an important member of the Japanese council for National Spatial Strategies. She has studied and worked in Barcelona as well as in Mexico. She is fluent in Spanish and English. She is currently working for a project targeting slum settlements in Jakarta.

Bernhard Muller

Executive Director of the Leibniz Institute of Ecological and Regional Development

He's the Head of the Management Board of the Dresden Leibniz Graduate School, Director of the Dresden Project on Adaptation to Climate Change, Director of Dresden Center for Demographic Change, Professor TU Dresden, Assistant Professor University of Hanover, Research Associate University of Mainz. His research interests and expertise are in sustainable urban and regional development and spatial planning as well as in issues of resilience and regional adaptation strategies.

Brigitte Bariol

General Manager - French Federation of Urban Planning Agencies (FNAU)

She is the Chief Architect and Town Planner of the French State: French Ministries of Housing and Territorial Equality, Sustainable development Energy and Ecology. International expert appointed by UN Habitat for the writing of the International Guidelines for Urban and territorial planning that was adopted in April 2015 in Nairobi.

Christine Felicity Platt

President, Commonwealth Association of Planners

She is the president of the Commonwealth Association of Planners, and past president of the South African Planning Institute. She completed her B.A. in Economics at the University of Natal, Durban, and her MTRP (UND).

Dina Shehayeb

Professor, Housing and Building National Research Center

She is a professor at the Housing and Building National Research Centre (HBRC) in Cairo, Egypt, the principal of her private consultancy firm Shehayeb CONSULT in addition to being a part-time professor at several universities since 1998 including the MSA University, the AUC and the AASTMT in Cairo, Egypt. Graduated as an architect in 1984, she earned her M.Sc. degree in Housing and Neighbourhood Design from Cairo University in 1989 and her Ph.D. degree from UWM at USA in 1995 focusing on Environment & Behaviour Studies in Urban Design of Public Space.

Eugene Birch

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She holds PhD from Columbia University in Urban Planning. She is the Chair of UN Habitat World Urban Campaign and President of its special initiative, the General Assembly of Partners. Professor and Co-Director University of Pennsylvania, Professor and Director Hunter College of the City of NY. She is also the Project Director US Department of energy; Member of the NYC Planning Commission





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Ishtiaque Zahir

Architect, Union of International Architects

He is the Professor at Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology. He's also the Founder, practicing Architect and Managing Director at VITTI Sthapati Brindo Architecture and Planning Dhaka. UIA Representative in UN-Habitat and WUC.

Karel Maier

Czech University of Life Sciences, Faculty of Environment

He holds PhD in rural settlements and has been working for Academics since 1975. Currently the Vice Dean at the Czech Technical University. He has worked on Policy formulations for European Commission, wrote papers and book chapters on territorial development. European-centric research.

Luis Eduardo Bresciani

Head of the National Council of Urban Development

He holds a Master degree in Urban Design, Harvard University. He is the Director of Department of Urban Development, Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, Chile. Over 20 years of professional and academic experience in the field of urban planning and urban development polices, plans and projects that integrate urban design, policy making, public facilities investment, citizens participation and coordination of government agencies.

Mack Joong Choi

President of Korea Planning Association

He holds PhD in Urban Planning from Harvard University. Dean and Professor of Graduate School of Environmental Studies at Seoul National University. He in the International Panel of Experts for the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Singapore, Member of urban Planning Committee for Seoul Metropolitan Government, Member of Public Land Banking Committee at the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport. He is a leading Urban Planner in Korea, he has greatly contributed to shape the present planning system in Korea both academically and professionally.

Magdalena Garcia

Iberoamerican Network for Budget Equality Between Man and Women

She completed his Graduate studies in Commercial Engineering and Economic Sciences from Universidad de Chile. She's a Consultant to UNFPA and UNDP. Member of National Networks of Women. Advisory Counsel for the National Institute of Women and Women's Institute of Mexico. Consultant and CEO of Firm Bufete de Estudios Interdisciplinarios.

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He holds a PhD in Spatial Planning and Urban Design. With 29 years of experience he has acted as a University professor with long experience and few international experiences for field studies. He is currently a University Professor and Vice Director at Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava.





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He is a PhD in Regional Science, University of Pennsylvania. He is the Professor, Director, Author, Economist, co-chairman of the International Department at the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. Many publications and presided for 2 terms in the Brazilian National Association for Research and Graduate Studies on Urban and Regional Planning (ANPUR).

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She holds a Master of Science in Architecture and Urban Design by Columbia University. Currently she is a Professor and Adjunct Assistant for the seminar on Infrastructure, Resilience and Public Space at Columbia University and Urban Design Research Advisor at Sherwood design Engineers. Trained as an architect, urban designer and planner, with 15 years of international experience in production, management and teaching.

Nathaniel Von Einsiedel

Urban Management Specialist

He is a practicing architect and urban planner, currently based in Manila, with over 40 years of experience in urban development and management. He was regional coordinator for Asia-Pacific of the UNCHS, UNDP, World Bank urban management programme where he supervised technical assistance projects in eleven developing countries.

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He is the Director, Cambridge Economics Associates Ltd, and he worked for HM Government, European Commission, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, and a number of national governments countries on urban, regional, industrial and evaluation policy.

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He holds Masters degree in Architecture and Urbanism, Delft University of Technology. He's a Founder and design principal of Maxwan. He has an extensive track record ranging from strategic regional planning, infrastructure design to large scale urban planning.

Shipra Suri

Vice President, International Society of City and Regional Planners (ISOCARP)

She's a PhD in Post-war Recovery studies at University of York, UK. She is an Independent Urban Consultant. Vice President at General Assembly of Partners towards Habitat III, Co Chair at World Urban Campaign, Vice President Technical Assistance, International Society of City and Regional Planners, Coordinator UNDP Yangon.

Simon Mesa

Advisor for the Urban Development Office National Planning Department

He has a master's degree in Urban Planning from Montreal. Advisor of Sirly Castro (Head of Urban Development). He worked as an advisor and consultant for various Ministries. Worked on Tourism





Master Plan for Bogota, worked on City Policies in Colombia.

Veronica Katalushi

Huariou Commission and Grassroots Member

Vibrant grassroots woman who has been residing in a slum community in Lusaka, Zambia for 29 years. In 2001, she was among the founding members of the Zambia Homeless and Poor People's Federation and is a pioneer in forming housing savings schemes in her community and 42 other districts where the Federation is active. She has excelled in facilitating linkages between local and central government and has collaborated with various high level conferences within Zambia such as the African Ministerial Council on Housing and Urban Development held in Lusaka, 2014, regionally in Kenya and, and internationally at the UN Disaster Risk Reduction Conference in Sendai, Japan in 2015.

