



HABITAT III CONFERENCE REPORTING FOR ASSEMBLIES Coordinators

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Title of the Assembly:	Children and Youth Assembly
Session:	Youth and Mayors Roundtable
Date:	15 October 2016
Time:	14:00 – 15:45
Venue:	Room 17, Casa de la Cultura
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Approximate number of participants:	45
Number of female participants:	
Number of male participants:	

1. Summary of the Assembly reflecting the structure and format (max: 800 words)

The roundtable aimed to create dialogue between youth and local leaders in developing solutions for a rapidly urbanizing world of the Post-Quito period. The moderator asked questions in the first part of the session to extract synergies between the ambitions and work of both the local leaders on the panel and the youth leaders. In the second part, audience members were given the opportunity to ask questions and interact with the panellists.

2. Key messages from the discussions.

- It is important for young people to get involved as early as possible to begin shaping their own community.



- The mayors sent a unified message to children and youth, “You must stay engaged if you want to shape your future”
- Local authorities must give youth more space to share their ideas; institutionalised spaces for their meaningful participation should be created.

3. Action-oriented recommendations/ way forward in the framework of the implementation of the New Urban Agenda [key points only, including specific global, regional and local actions].

Osmanoglou spoke on troubles that youth have in engagement and provides some recommendations:

- It is about giving youth more space to share their ideas
- Resilience strategy in her city (part of 100 resilient cities) is part of initial phase to deal with cyber security, environmental problems.
- They are planning to start a youth council, bearing in mind the question that how can we educate young people on challenges and ways to engage with government
- Young people who create ideas want to do it quick, start up culture is popular among young people
- Idea to start the first start up in governments because they are slow and process is slow—flood risk worldwide using apps and social media
- Key message: young people just want to make differences very quickly especially in subjects addressed in new urban agenda because everything is going so quickly and we don't have much time

Local authorities make recommendations for each other:

Agirbas

- Welcomers come to focus on career, people can choose whatever they want, we haven't had a problem in the past

O'Connor

- Security and safety when moving around are critical
- It is better to encourage people to walk and cycle safely
- There is a need to develop programs that teach bicycle and pedestrian safety
- Police officers and schools teach students how to be safe on the streets

Sharif

- It is important to ensure safety for all
- CCTV in city monitors and streams to main headquarters
- planning sted new housing scheme will include safety considerations in design
- safe city project: money set apart in budget for the purpose of safety

4. Key commitments (if any) within the implementation of the New Urban Agenda. [Collective, individual and from the organization represented]

5. Way forward and next steps on monitoring the implementation of the outcomes and the commitments from the Assembly.

6. Proposed partnerships, network and synergies with other stakeholders and constituency groups within the implementation of the New Urban Agenda, emerging from the Assembly.

All mayors during the panels explained ways their municipal governments engage with youth in



their communities:

Sharif

- Promotion of Inclusiveness—program called GRPP
 - Includes all stakeholders including youth
 - Survey in 4 languages to account for different races
 - Disaggregation is also key; looking at male and female but also age, disabilities, territory (rural/urban)
 - How do you want us to spend the money we collect from taxes
 - Based on this, we Just finished for 2017 budget
- Youth want to see inclusiveness in decision making and formulation of policy and guidelines because it affects them, easy to engage with public servants.

O'Connor:

- Local election
 - New buildings limited to 2 corridors
 - This new legislature put to vote engages young people in politics
- Young people have joined together to say that Santa Monica houses people and is sustainable and that is our vision and that is the sort of environment that supplies our jobs

Hilmy:

- Youth speak on youth problems: employment, schooling,
- Formed World Youth Parliament so that youth's future to politics are being looked after
- Many youth councils and each political party has youth leads

7. Outreach and communication strategy to take forward recommendations and commitments for the effective implementation of the New Urban Agenda.

8. Any other relevant comments or outcome from the session not covered above.

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