

PRESS INVITATION

The United Nations Human Settlements Programme, UN-Habitat wishes to invite journalists to a Press Briefing to announce the upcoming conference on the Governing Council and Habitat III Preparatory Committee

Press Briefing Monday 13 April 2015

Venue: Press Conference Room Lower Concourse, UN Gigiri Complex Date and time: Monday 13 April, 1330.

Habitat III PrepCom2 14-16 April UN-Habitat Governing Council 17-23 April

Speakers:

Dr Joan Clos, UN-Habitat Executive Director and Secretary-General of Habitat III Mr Fred Matiang'I, Acting Minister for Land, Housing and Urban Development

Habitat III is the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development to take place in Quito, Ecuador, in October 2016. In resolution 66/207 and in line with the bi-decennial cycle (1976, 1996 and 2016), the United Nations General Assembly decided to convene, the Habitat III Conference to reinvigorate the global commitment to sustainable urbanization, to focus on the implementation of a "New Urban Agenda".

Governing Council theme "UN-Habitat's Contribution to the Post-2015 Development Agenda in Order to Promote Sustainable Urban Development and Human Settlements". The GC25 has two sub-themes as follows;

- 1. Enhancing Urban-Rural Linkages Across the Continuum of Human Settlements to Harness the Transformative Power of Urbanization for Sustainable Development
- 2. UN-Habitat's Role in the Post-2015 Development Agenda

Other key issues to be discussed at the twenty-fifth session include,

- 1. The activities of UN-Habitat, including coordination matters
- 2. The work programme and budget of UN-Habitat for the biennium 2016-2017

Transport will be provided from Chester House, Nairobi to the Gigiri compound at 11:30

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