URBAN AGE CONFERENCE
DEVELOPING URBAN FUTURES
ADDIS ABABA
29–30 NOVEMBER 2018

DAY 1 THURSDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2018
08.30–09.00 REGISTRATION AND COFFEE
09.00–09.45 WELCOME
Takле́ Uма Банти́, Mayor of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Anna Herberhausen, Executive Director, Alfred Herrhausen Gesellschaft, Berlin
Julia Black, Pro Director for Research, London School of Economics (LSE)
09.45–10.00 CONFERENCE OVERVIEW
Ricky Burdett, Professor of Urban Studies, LSE & Director, LSE Cities and Urban Age
10.00–11.15 AFRICA’S CORE CHALLENGES
Co-chairs: Joachim Fritz, Head of Department Governance and Conflict, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Germany; and Ricky Burdett, Director, LSE Cities and Urban Age
Introductory Keynote (15 min each)
GOVERNING URBAN CHANGE
Mpho Parks Tau, President, UCLG, Barcelona & Mayor of Johannesburg (2011–16)
DEFINING AFRICAN URBANISM
Edgar Pieterse, Director, African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town; and Jean-Louis Missika, Deputy Mayor of Paris, France
AFRICA’S ECONOMIC POTENTIAL
Somik V Lall, Global Lead for Regional Development Solutions, World Bank, Washington D.C.
CHALLENGES FOR YOUNG AFRICA
Alicina Houmana, Inter-Regional Advisor on Social Development Policy, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA)
11.15–11.45 COFFEE
11.45–12.15 URBAN GROWTH, PRODUCTION & INNOVATION
Co-chairs: Gezi Karuo̱-Selina, Associate, South African Cities Network, Johannesburg; and Edgar Pieterse, Director, African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town & Richard von Weizsäcker Fellow, Robert Bosch Academy, Berlin
Framing Presentation (15 min)
J Vernon Henderson, School Professor of Economic Geography, LSE
Panel Discussion (45 min)
Emmanuel Admassu, Founding Partner, AD-VO & Assistant Professor, Rhode Island School of Design; Brenda Katwesigye, Founder and CEO, Wau Vision, Kampala; Abdalla Mallel, Founder, Sylabs; Algiers; Kate Meagher, Associate Professor in Development Studies, LSE; Philipp Mischlin, Chair, International Urbanism and Design, Habitat Unit, TU Berlin; Bikhado D Oñg nightclub, Investor, Dero Capital, Kampala; Irene Sun, Author and Associate Partner, McKinsey & Company, Washington D.C.
Open Discussion (30 min)
12.15–13.15 LUNCH
13.15–14.15 PLANNING FUNDAMENTALS
Co-chairs: Susan Parnell, Global Challenges Chair, University of Bristol & Emeritus Professor, University of Cape Town and Rahaf Meghrebt, Principal, RAM Architects, Mumbai and Professor of Urban Design and Planning, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University
Presentations (7 min each)
COMPARING URBAN DEVELOPMENT MODELS
Paris, France; Jean-Louis Missika, Deputy Mayor of Paris, France
Møbile, Colombia; Alejandro Echeverri, Director, URBAN Center for urban and environmental studies, Universidad EAFIT, Medellín
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; Paul Giorgis, Chair of Conservation of Urban and Architectural Heritage, EIABC, Addis Ababa University
Giglki, Rwanda; Christian Beninama, Principal and Managing Director, MASS Design Group & Director, African Design Centre, Kigali
Panel Discussion (30 min)
Open Discussion (25 min)
14.15–15.10 COFFEE
15.15–16.00 DELIVERING HOUSING FOR ALL
Co-chairs: Ricky Burdett, Director, LSE Cities and Urban Age and Tan Tavengwa, Co-Founder and Editor, Cityscapes Magazine, Cape Town & Visiting Associate, LSE Cities
Framing Presentations (10 min each)
Gautam Bham, Lead, Academics and Research, Indian Institute for Human Settlements, Bangalore
Jose Castillo, Principal, a911, Mexico City
Kecia Ruth, Executive Director and Founder, Center for Affordable Housing Finance in Africa, Johannesburg
Presentations (5 min each)
MASS HOUSING MODELS
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; Elias Yihbar Gebre Egziabher, Architect and Urban Planner, EIABC, Addis Ababa University
Singapore: Belinda Yuen, Professorial Fellow and Research Director, Lee Kuan Yew Centre for Innovative Cities, Singapore University of Technology and Design
Karachi, Pakistan: Azif Hasan, Director, Urban Resource Centre, Karachi
COMMUNITY-LED INITIATIVES
Joseph Mutiri, National Co-ordinator, Kenyan Slum Dwellers Federation & Co-ordinator, East and West Africa, SDI
Talat Lawanson, Associate Professor of Urban Planning, University of Lagos
Panel Discussion (30 min)
Open Discussion (20 min)
16.15–18.00 DELIVERING HOUSING FOR ALL
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19.00–19.15 CONCLUDING REMARKS
Jo Beall, Executive Director, Forum for Social Studies, Uganda; and Urban Age
Rahel Shawl, Deputy Director, LSE Cities & Executive Director, LSE Cities and Urban Age
19.15–19.30 INVESTING IN SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT
Samil Sarmiento, Chairman of Otrascom Development Holding GA, Switzerland and Cairo, Egypt
Tseko Ybunie Wohl, Founder, Flintstones Engineering, Addis Ababa
Nyali Zembo, Project Leader, African Property Tax Initiative, Inter-Regional Centre for Tax and Development, Yaoundé, Cameroon
Panel Discussion (30 min)
20.15–21.15 COFFEE
21.15–22.45 KEYNOTES
Co-chairs: Je Beall, Director Cultural Engagement, British Council & Professorial Research Fellow, LSE; and Gautam Bham, Lead, Academics and Research, Indian Institute for Human Settlements, Bangalore
Presentations (10 min each)
DESIGNING INCLUSIVITY
Rahul Mehrotra, Principal, RMA Architects, Mumba and Professor of Urban Design and Planning, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University
Omar Nagati, Founding Partner, CLUSTER (Cairo
Lab for Urban Studies, Training and Environmental Research)
Mohammed Adjii Sawah, Mayor of Accra, Ghana
Ulrich Hoezinc, Deputy Mayor of Leipzig, Germany
Erton Velia, Mayor of Tirana, Albania
Panel Discussion (30 min)
TERASAWA Atsunori, Executive Director, Forum for Social Studies, Addis Ababa; Alicina Houmana, Inter-Regional Advisor on Social Development Policy, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, New York; Beth Strikyer, Founding Partner, CLUSTER (Cairo Laboratory for Urban Studies, Training and Environmental Research)
Open Discussion (20 min)
22.45–23.00 CONCLUDING REMARKS
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