



REPORTING FORMAT FOR PARTNERS

Networking – Side – Training events

City Changer Room – Urban Library – Agora – One UN events

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Reporting Format for Partners
(Networking Events, Side Events, Training Events, City Changer Room, One UN Room, Urban Library, and Agora Room)

Name of Reporter:	Mr. Israel Marañón De Pablo
Event title/number:	Anti-corruption contribution to Urban Development (Side event)
Date:	April 6 2014
Venue:	One UN room
Time:	9:00am-11:00am
Name of Organizing Institution(s):	UNDP Global Anti-corruption Initiative, the UNDP Colombia Country Office and the Bogotá Chamber of Commerce.
Country/City where Organizing Institution(s) is/are based:	New York (USA)/ Bogotá (Colombia)
Approximate number of participants:	5 speakers/100 attendees

Summary of the Event (max: 300 words):

- *Brief background of the event, including overall objectives and purposes*
- *Relevant Focus Areas (Refer to below: UN-Habitat’s thematic areas) and cross-cutting issues*

Cities can work as engines of growth and incubators for innovation. They can also serve as job providers, build sustainability and fight inequalities. However, as more authority is being transferred to local institutions, citizens’ expectations are increasing in terms of what and how they should deliver.

Based on the above, the main objectives of this side event were:

- Promoting a high-level discussion on the role of cities in the fight against corruption to promote equity and inclusion.
- Sharing innovative strategies and methodologies for diagnosing and tackling corruption at the city level.
- Analysing good practices by civil society, the private sector and government engagement to fight corruption at the urban level.
- Debating the role of big cities in supporting countries in the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC).

The event was organized in collaboration with the Colombia Chamber of Commerce and brought together government representatives, mayors, academics, the private sector and UN officials.





Summary of the Discussion (max: total 500 words):

1. Outline of the discussion/debates

For two hours the participants discussed how the linkages between cities governance and anti-corruption affect urban equity.

One of the outcomes of the dialogue was that in politics the end cannot justify the means; on the contrary, the means have to justify the end. Corruption in cities starts when politicians cross the ethical line to access power. Once this happens their governments cannot act freely and democracy cannot function. And worse, trust in politicians is damaged.

What can citizens do? Firstly we need to demand more opportunities for civil society to take an active role in local politics. Second, we need “more eyes and less hands” in the decision making process.

When our local representatives act transparently, when we have tools and means to see what they do, we can make informed choices when we vote, holding them accountable for their actions.

The dialogue also tackled the gap between local and national anti-corruption initiatives. While there are successful interventions both at the national and at the local level, they do not always build on each other. Anti-corruption strategies should take into account and establish links with other relevant national strategies (e.g., judicial sector, public administration reform, open government, etc.) and seek to form synergies with other agencies and stakeholders. Also cities need more delegated power to fight corruption. Granting powers from the central government to governments at a subnational level is something that needs to be addressed.

The whole video from the event can be watched [here](#)

2. Major emerging issues and position documents/declarations towards:

- *Habitat III*
- *POST2015*
- *A New Urban Agenda*

3. Recommendations made during the discussion

(e.g. *policy direction, good/best practices, resource mobilization, innovative funding mechanism, etc.*)

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holding them accountable for their actions.

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4. Building partnerships, network and synergies with UN-Habitat
(e.g. agreements or Memorandum of Understanding committed/signed, amounts and number of pledged contributions and partnerships/networks, etc.)

Detail Information of Speakers/Presenters/Moderators:

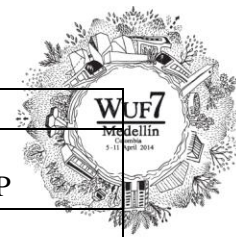
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If there were more speakers/presenters/moderators in your events, please feel free to add the above tables.

UN-Habitat Thematic areas

All events are identified by UN-Habitat priority substantive areas as below.

URBAN LAND, LEGISLATION & GOVERNANCE

Land & GLTN, Urban Legislation, Urban and Community Management & Governance, Safety

URBAN PLANNING & DESIGN

Regional & Metropolitan Planning, City Extensions & Enlargements, Market Town & Intermediate City Planning

URBAN ECONOMY

Urban & Municipal Finance, Urban Productivity, Youth and Job Creation

URBAN BASIC SERVICES

Water & Sanitation, Urban Energy, Urban Mobility, Urban Waste Management

HOUSING & SLUM UPGRADING

Housing, Slum Upgrading, Shelter Rehabilitation

RISK REDUCTION & REHABILITATION

Urban Risk Reduction, Infrastructure Rehabilitation, Climate Change Mitigation & Adaptation, Resilience

RESEARCH & CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT





Cross-cutting issues:

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