



**REPORTING FORMAT FOR PARTNERS**

**Networking – Side – Training events**

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

**Deadline: 6 June 2014**

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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)

<b>Name of Reporter:</b>	Dr. Edmundo Werna
Event title/number:	Green Job Creation through Affordable and Sustainable Housing
Date:	Thursday 10 April,
Venue:	One UN Room (Maloka)
Time:	14:00-16:00 hours
Name of Organizing Institution(s):	ILO
Country/City where Organizing Institution(s) is/are based:	
Approximate number of participants:	Difficult to say. Large rotation during the presentation.

**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*

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

1. Outline of the discussion/debates

EVENT: Green Job Creation through Affordable and Sustainable Housing

WHEN: Thursday 10 April, 14:00-16:00 hours

WHERE: One UN Room (Maloka)

The framework of the event was the linkage between the green economy, sustainable housing and job creation. This included, inter alia, jobs resulting from governmental commitment to sustainable housing (subsidies, building codes), training and capacity building related to sustainable housing construction; income from rental accommodation; housing as a place of work (home based enterprises) and its relation to decreased greenhouse gas emissions; linkages between housing location and workplace location and its social and environmental aspects as well as the labour generation prospects of different green building materials and the construction processes related to them.





The meeting was chaired by Dr. Edmundo Werna (International Labour Office). Dr. Werna also gave an opening presentation, giving an overview of the labour perspective (employment generation and improvement of work conditions in relation to housing).

In addition to Dr. Werna, the panel included:

- Ms. Emma-Liisa Hannula (UN-Habitat)
- Dr. Ramin Keivani (Oxford Brookes University)
- Prof. Adrian Atkinson (New Synergies in Development)
- Ms. Susana Rojas Williams (Habitat International for Humanity) (substituted at the last minute by a colleague from the same institution).

The presentation of Dr. Keivani concentrated on the formal housing market and its relation to green jobs. This was complemented by Prof. Atkinson, who focused on informal housing, also in relation to jobs, presenting it on a broad perspective (i.e. housing beyond shelter specifically, and its connection to the other aspects of the built environment). Ms. Hannula presented UN-Habitat's work on green housing and its relation to employment creation, with examples from the Democratic Republic of Congo. In a similar fashion, the presentation from Habitat International for Humanity focused on the institution's housing-related activities and their relation to job creation, with examples from other countries.

Altogether, the five presentations covered the topic of the event comprehensively.

The presentations were followed by open discussion between the audience and the panelists. Afterwards, Dr. Werna summarized the event and closed the works.

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

All the below should take labour & housing into account

- *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.*)

Continue linking labour & housing

## 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: *please see before***

Full name (Mr/Ms):	
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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**

*Global Urban Observatory, Flagship Reports, Capacity Development*

*Cross-cutting issues:*

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