# Financing Urban Housing and Infrastructure

**Description of event:**
Panel discussions on policy experience in developing financing mechanisms for housing and infrastructure development. Major obstacles, challenges, and policy alternatives will be discussed by panel countries. The objective is to share experiences with the audience on developing sustainable financing tools that can bring private-partnership at both national and local levels.

**Name of organization:**
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

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The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is a federal agency committed to: increasing home ownership, particularly among minorities; creating affordable housing opportunities for low-income Americans; and supporting the homeless, elderly, people with disabilities and people living with HIV/AIDS. The Department also promotes economic and community development as well as enforces the nation's fair housing laws.

**Partner organizations:**
HUD, United States Agency For International Development (USAID), Housing Ministries (Russian Federation, Mexico, and others).

**Confirmed speakers:**
N/A

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