World Habitat Day

Cities magnets of hope

Russia, Tatarstan, Kazan
October 3-5, 2006

Organizers:
UN Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)
United Cities and Local Governments, Euro-Asia Regional Section
Kazan City Municipality

Tuesday, October 3

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<td>Study tour to see results of the Kazan programme to rehabilitate dilapidated housing</td>
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| 16.30-18.00   | Presentation of project “Clear water is a hope source” of the city of Yaroslavl, by Mayor of Yaroslavl V. Volonchunas
Venue: National Culture Centre “Kazan”

Opening remarks:
- Jane Nyakairu – UN-HABITAT
- Irshat Minkin – First Deputy Chief of the Executive Committee of Kazan

Parallel Session:
Meeting of revision committee on the results of 2004-2006 activity of Euro-Asia Regional Section of World Organization of United Cities and Local Governments.
Venue: Headquarters of UCLG Euro-Asia Regional Section.

18.30-20.30 Cultural Program

Wednesday, October 4

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<td>8.30-9.00</td>
<td>Registration of the participants in Kazan City Hall</td>
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| 9.00-10.30    | World Habitat Day and award ceremony to recognize special contribution to sustainable development of human settlements
Chairman: Mayor of Kazan Ilsur Metshin

Statements:
- Rustem Minnikhanov – Acting President of the Republic of Tatarstan, Prime-Minister of the Republic of Tatarstan
- Farid Mukhametshin – Chairman of State Council of the Republic of Tatarstan
- Kamil Iskhakov - Plenipotentiary Representative of the President of Russia in Far East Federal Region, President of the UCLG Euro-Asia Regional Section
- Sietske Steneker – United Nations Resident Coordinator in Russia
- Anna Tibaijuka – United Nations Under-Secretary-General and UN-HABITAT Executive Director

Presentation of awards
Presented by Mrs. Tibaijuka, Mr. Kamil Iskhakov and Mayor Ilsur
- Xxx Diplomas to Russian cities for xxx
- Building and Social Housing Foundation World Habitat Awards
- Habitat Scroll of Honour awards

Statements by award winners
Closing remarks - Mayor Ilsur Metshin

10.30-11.00 Break

10.30-11.00 Closed session of UCLG Euro-Asia Council
Chairman: President of UCLG Euro-Asia Mr. Kamil Iskhakov

11.00-12.30 Extracurricular General Assembly of Euro-Asia Regional Section of World Organization of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG Euro-Asia)

Venue: Kazan City Hall
Chairman: President of UCLG Euro-Asia, Plenipotentiary Representative of the President of Russia in Far East Federal Region Kamil Iskhakov

Welcome remarks:
- Mrs. Anna Tibaijuka - UN Under-Secretary-General and UN-HABITAT Executive Director
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| 12.30-14.00 | Press-conference  
Exhibitions:  
- Dilapidated Housing Elimination Program  
- Children drawings on theme of Cities – magnets of hope |
| 14.00-15.00 | Lunch |
| 15.30-17.00 | UN-HABITAT Seminar “Problems in Achieving Sustainable Development of Cities”  
*Chairman: Head of the Executive Committee of the City of Kazan. Marat Zagidullov*  
*Reports:  
- M.Khusnullin – Minister of Building and Housing of Tatarstan  
- Eduardo Moreno – Chief, UN-HABITAT Global Urban Observatory  
- Rajivan Krishnaswami – Representative of the Cities Alliance World Bank Programme  
- P.Pimashkov – Mayor of Krasnoyarsk  
- I.Mersianova – General Director of Executive Direction of Association of Siberian cities.  
- M.Temirbayev – Mayor of Grozny  
- N.Lyashenko – Mayor of Budennovsk  
- I.Gafurov – Mayor of Elabuga Municipal Region (Republic of Tatarstan)  
- I.Semenov – General Director of International Centre "Best Practices"  
*Addresses of World Habitat Award and Habitat Scroll of Honour winners* |
| 17.00-18.00 | Excursion to cultural heritage sites of Kazan |
| 18.30 | Reception hosted by the Mayor of Kazan Ilsur Metshin. Concert. |

**Thursday, October 5**

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