



Urban Journalism in Southeast Asia on the way to a New Urban Agenda

Tuesday, 26 July 2016

Surabaya, Indonesia

The Urban Journalism Academy (UJA) is a pioneering and innovative initiative to train journalists and media professionals who are already interested or involved in urban development with reference to social, economic and economic issues facing cities in the 21st Century.

Media and communications professionals' role is crucial to expand the level of consciousness of the wider audience. They have the opportunity to spread knowledge and share reflections on urban issues. Journalists are already the ones who chronicle life in the city, who give voice to urban changes and who describe the urban reality from different points of view. Now is the time to encourage a more proactive and substantive role of media in the development of the city, at international, national and local levels.

During this global change it is, in fact, crucial that the media features in-depth analyses of the opportunities, challenges and solutions found across over the urban framework. Moreover, by managing research and interpretation tools they could become spokespersons of sustainable urban development. Finally, to train journalists and communication professionals means moving towards greater democratization, encouraging transparency and participations of those usually not involved in the debate on cities.

The Urban Journalism Academy is organized by the Habitat III Secretariat (United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development) and co-hosted by the Ministry of Public Works and Housing of the Republic of Indonesia.

The UJA at Habitat III PrepCom3

The third session of the Preparatory Committee of the third United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)—PrepCom3—will be held in Surabaya, Indonesia, from Monday, 25 July to Wednesday, 27 July 2016. The Urban Journalism Academy in the framework of PrepCom3 will provide both a global and a regional perspective of urban journalism on the way to the New Urban Agenda.



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Practical Information

WHEN > Tuesday, 26 July 2016, 08:30 – 13:00

WHERE > Media Center, Press Conference Room; Grand City Convention and Exhibition Center; Surabaya, Indonesia

WHO > Journalists and communications professionals

Sign up to join the Urban Journalism Academy here.

Only those who have registered to PrepCom3 may sign up for the PrepCom3 Urban Journalism Academy

PROGRAMME

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08:30 Welcome

Welcome by the facilitator, Simone d'Antonio, Italian Association of Cities and Municipalities and by Tobias Kettner, United Nations, Habitat III Secretariat

09:00 Round Table 'Challenges for Urban Journalism on the way to the New Urban Agenda'

Chris Michael, Guardian Cities, London, United Kingdom

Greg Scuggs, Citiscope, New York, USA

Simone d'Antonio, Italian Association of Cities and Municipalities, Rome, Italy

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee break

10:45 – 12:30 Round Table 'Urban Journalism in Southeast Asia'

Sunaina Lowe, Director, United Nations Information Center, Jakarta, Indonesia

Corry Elyda, The Jakarta Post, Jakarta, Indonesia

Anissa S. Febrina, Journalist and Urban Development Professional, Jakarta, Indonesia

12:30 Wrap up and End of the session

For more inquiries, you may email the Habitat III Secretariat at habitat3media@un.org



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