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Submitted by Lead Organization	
Name of lead organization	WIEGO
City and country where organization is based	Manchester, UK
Title of Urban Library event	Inclusive Cities Work Better: Lessons and Evidence from 10 Cities
Date of Urban Library event	10/17/2016
Name of partner organizations with information on city, and country where organization is based	Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA), Ahmedabad, India; Informal Hawkers and Vendors Association of Ghana (IHVAG), Accra, Ghana; Asociación de Recicladores de Bogotá (ARB), Bogotá, Colombia
Number of participants	100
Percentage of women participants at the event	60%
Background information on Urban Library event (themes, issues, context).	This event launched the publication “Inclusive Cities Work Better” and provided a unique platform to bring together important findings and recommendations for policymakers, urban activists and city planners on engaging with organizations of urban informal workers. Research presentations and informal workers’ presentations shared lessons learned on how to build more inclusive cities based on a collaborative 5-year project which operated in Asia, Africa and Latin America.
Concise summary of the event proceedings, including key points discussed.	Rhonda Douglas (WIEGO) began by summarizing synthesized findings from case studies conducted during the five-year project from multiple countries. The case studies emphasized the important role of sustained organizing efforts in project successes, while noting that political challenges were pervasive. Namrata Bali (SEWA) unpacked the ground-level organizing required to bring the project to fruition. Juliana Afari-Brown (IHVAG) highlighted the dialogue platforms established in Accra, Ghana to link market traders with local government entities. Nohra Padilla (ARB) shared the experience of organized recyclers from Bogotá in pushing for more inclusive solid waste management systems.
Concise summary of the publication launched or promoted at the event.	Inclusive Cities Work Better is a compendium of case studies detailing practical ways in which more inclusive planning practices can enhance the positive contributions of informal workers to urban economies while also improving urban governance.



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Name, title, and organization of the 1st speaker	Rhonda Douglas, Programme Strategy Advisor, WIEGO
Name, title, and organization of the 2nd speaker	Namrata Bali, Director, Indian Academy for Self Employed Women
Name, title, and organization of the 3rd speaker	Juliana Afari-Brown, Coordinator, Informal Hawkers and Vendors Association of Ghana
Name, title, and organization of the 4th speaker	Nohra Padilla, Director, Asociación de Recicladores de Bogotá