Online workshop

Access and Availability of Land for Housing Construction

20 May 2020, Wednesday, 14:30-17:20 CET

This online workshop is organized within the initiative “#Housing2030 - Improving Housing Affordability in the UNECE region” implemented by Housing Europe, UNECE Committee on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management and UN-Habitat (add hyperlink). For more information, please see <add URL for the workshop information>.

Draft agenda

14:30-14:45 – Opening
- Ms Doris Andoni, Chair, UNECE Committee on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management
- Mr Cédric Van Styvendael, President of Housing Europe
- Mr Robert Lewis-Lettington, Chief of Section, Land, Housing and Shelter, UN-Habitat

14:45-14:55 – Keynote presentation – presenter to be confirmed

14:55-15:05 – Building the required post COVID-19 homes, an increased roll for the state –
A statement from the EU Commissioner for the Internal Market and Services, Mr Thierry Breton – tbc

15:05-15:15 – Setting the stage on affordable housing: introduction of the study objectives and planned activities
- Ms Elena Szolgayova, #Housing2030 Initiative Co-Chair
- Mr David Orr, #Housing2030 Initiative Co-Chair

15:15-15:30 – The policy toolkit: approaches to land management and utilisation
- Ms Julie Lawson, Lead Writer of the study report

15:30-16:10 – Panel Q&A Session moderated by David Orr¹
- Mr Toby Lloyd, Housing Economist, Former UK Government Policy Advisor – tbc
- Ms Julie Lawson, #Housing2030 Lead Drafter
- Representative of Paris Habitat or City of Paris – tbc

16:10-16:20 Break

16:20-17:20 – “How can land policy be used to improve housing affordability?” moderated by Elena Szolgayova
Representatives of the national and local governments, social and affordable housing providers and homeowner associations will share their experiences with land policies to improve housing affordability

17:20 Adjourn

¹The speakers on this panel will prerecord discussions on ‘land and housing affordability’ to be released through the Housing Europe website in the three weeks leading up to the webinar. Attendees are encouraged to listen to these interventions in advance of the webinar, as this session will be a Q&A only. The podcasts will accessible at: https://anchor.fm/housing-europe/