Workshop

Strengthening National Capacities for Urban Planning, Housing, Energy Efficiency and Disaster Risk Reduction

13-14 October 2014, Yerevan, Armenia

Agenda

Organizers: Ministry of Urban Development of the Republic of Armenia
United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
United Nations Human Settlements Programme
International Finance Corporation

Venue: Ani Hall, Ani Plaza Hotel, Yerevan

Languages: English, Russian and Armenian with simultaneous translation

13 October 2014

08:30–09:00 Registration

09:00 – 10:00 Opening Session

• Narek Sargsyan, Minister of Urban Development of Armenia

Introduction

• Simon Paryan, The First Deputy Minister of Nature Protection of RA
• Haykaram Mkhitaryan, Deputy Minister of Emergency Situations of RA
• Gulnara Roll, Head of Housing and Land Management Unit, UNECE
• Vahan Kotanjyan, Regional Advisor on Energy, UNECE
• Paulius Kulikauskas, Inter-Regional Advisor, UN-Habitat
• Tigran Parvanyan, International Finance Corporation

10:00 – 11:20 Session 1. Activities of state agencies in urban planning, housing and disaster risks reduction in Armenia

• Sonya Matevosyan, Head of Urban Development Policy and Spatial Planning Department, Ministry of Urban Development of RA (on spatial planning)
• Gurgen Namalyan, The Ministry of Emergency Situations of RA (Lessons learned from the Spitak’ earthquake)
• Aram Stepanyan, State Committee of the Real Estate Cadastre (Geo-information system of Armenia)

Q&A
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| 11:40 -13:00 | Continuation of Session 1      | - Astghik Minasyan, Head of Social Support Department, Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs (Housing for socially vulnerable groups)  
- Samvel Srpanyan, Head of Housing Stock Management and Communal Infrastructures Division, Ministry of Urban Development of RA (Housing Policy, Management and Energy efficiency housing)  
- Hayk Badalyan, Head of Energy efficiency and technical normative Division, Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources of RA (on the national strategy on energy efficiency) |
|              | Q&A                            |                                                                          |
| 13:00 – 14:00| Lunch                          |                                                                          |
| 14:00-16:10  | Session 2. Challenges of sustainable urban development: international practices in urban planning and smart cities | - Paulius Kulikauskas, Inter-Regional Advisor, UN-Habitat (Assessing prerequisites for developing national policy frameworks for sustainable urbanisation)  
- Alexandr Khizhnyak, Deputy Director, BELNIPGRADOSTROITELESTVA (Legal regulation of urban development activities in the Republic of Belarus: Public involvement in the planning process)  
- Galina Pavlova, Head of the main architectural, scientific and innovation policy, Ministry of Architecture and Construction of Belarus  
- Gulnara Roll, UNECE (on the UNECE work on urban development: mini-CPs, smart cities project, a policy brief on urban planning) |
|              | Q&A                            |                                                                          |
| 16:10-16:30  | Coffee break                   |                                                                          |
| 16:30-18:00  | Continuation of Session 2      | - Nune Petrosyan, national expert, (Urban Planning, Development of Master Plans)  
- Vachagan Adunts, Mayor of Goris  
- Eduard Mesropyan, Armenian Country Water partnership |
<p>|              | Q&amp;A, Discussions on future plans of work on urban development |                                                                          |</p>
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| 09:30–11:00 | Tatyana Khabarova, UN-Habitat RF  
Diana Harutyunyan, UNDP GEF Programme Manager (*Projects implemented by UNDP-GEF*)  
Astghine Pasoyan, Director of Energy Saving Foundation Armenia, (*Financing Energy Efficiency in Residential Buildings*)  
Q&A  |
| 11:00–11:20 | Coffee break  |
| 11:20–13:00 | Continuation of Session 3  
Tamara Babayan, Director of Armenia renewable resources and energy efficiency Fund, (*EE in Public Sector*)  
Alena Kasyanenka, Head of Sustainable Urban Development Department, BELNIIIPGRADESTROITELSTVA (*Belarus energy efficient planning*)  
Larisa Burakova, UNECE, Housing and Land Management Unit, “Energy efficiency in UNECE region”  
Q&A  |
| 13:00–14:20 | Lunch  |
| 14:20–15:40 | Session 4. Activities of municipalities and NGOs in urban planning, housing and disaster risks reduction in Armenia  
Ara Nazinyan, Housing Europe Association representative in Armenia and Chairman of the ASBA Foundation, “Partnership between ASBA Foundation and Dilijan town”  
Tigran Barseghyan, Chief Architect of Yerevan, “Strategic development of Yerevan city”  
Artem Khorozyan, Key Expert Covenant of Mayors East Office  
Karine Mailyan, Program Director, Habitat for Humanity Armenia Foundation, (*Projects on EE in buildings*)  
Q&A  |
| 15:40–16:00 | Coffee break  |
| 16:00–17:00 | Session 5. Activities of donors and international organizations  
Tigran Parvanyan, IFC, “Energy efficiency Projects implemented financed by IFC”  
Armen Poghosyan, EDB  
Anjela Sax, EBRD  
Cesar Llorens and Gohar Mousaelyan, ADB  
Q&A  |
| 17:00–18:00 | Concluding session. Wrap-up and future steps  
Gulnara Roll, Head, Housing and Land Management Unit, UNECE  
Vahan Kotanjyan, Regional Advisor on Energy, UNECE  
Paulius Kulikauskas, Inter-Regional Advisor, UN-Habitat  
Tigran Parvanyan, IFC  
Ruzan Alaverdyan, Deputy Minister of Urban Development of RA  |