Workshop

Strengthening National Capacities for Housing and Urban Planning in Armenia

9 April 2015, Yerevan, Armenia

Organizers:
Ministry of Urban Development of the Republic of Armenia
United Nations Development Programme Office in Armenia
United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
United Nations Human Settlements Programme

Venue:
Ani Hall, Ani Plaza Hotel, Yerevan

Languages:
English, Russian and Armenian with simultaneous translation

Workshop objectives:
The workshop will review proposals for the content of the chapters of the UNECE Country Profile on Housing and Land Management and the National Action Plan to be developed based on the Country Profile recommendations

Workshop agenda

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<td>• Gulnara Roll, Head of Housing and Land Management Unit, UNECE</td>
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<td>• Paulius Kulikauskas, Inter-Regional Advisor, UN-Habitat</td>
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**Session 2. Housing sector (Legal and institutional frameworks, housing stocks, management, energy efficiency)**

- **11:20-11:30**  
  - Evgenya Atayan, Head of Housing Policy and Communal Infrastructures Department, Ministry of Urban Development of RA (*Housing Policy, Housing stock, Management of Housing Fund, Development of Social Housing*)

- **11:30-11:40**  
  - Astghik Minasyan, Head of Social Support Department, Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs of RA (*social issues*)

- **11:40-11:50**  
  - Diana Harutyunyan, UNDP Climate Change Programme Manager (*Projects implemented by UNDP-GEF*)

- **11:50-12:05**  
  - Astghine Pasoyan, Director of Energy Saving Foundation Armenia (*EE programmes in Armenia*)

**Q&A**

**Session 3. Sustainable Urban Development, Spatial Planning and Land Management**

- **12:05-12:20**  
  - Keith Thorpe, Land and Property Directorate at the UK Department for Communities and Local Government in London

- **12:20-12:30**  
  - Mkrtich Minasyan, Chairman of the Union of Architects of Armenia

- **12:30-12:40**  
  - Lusine Harutyunyan, Local Self-Government Department, Ministry of Territorial Administration and Emergency Situations of RA

- **12:40-12:50**  
  - Hrachik Petrosyan, Head of Seismic Protection Survey, Ministry of Territorial Administration and Emergency Situations of RA

- **12:50-13:00**  
  - Aram Stepanyan, Head of Geoinformation Division of «Geodesia and mapping» SNCO, State Committee of the Real Estate Cadastre (*Application of information technologies in real estate cadastre of Armenia*)

- **13:00-13:15**  
  - Andrey Ivanov, Adviser, Department of the Territorial Planning and Development, Russian Housing Development Foundation (Moscow) (*Legal zoning of land-use as an efficient tool of urban regulation. Examples from CIS / Opportunities in Armenia*)

**Q&A**

**13:15-13:25**  
Concluding session. Wrap-up and future steps

- Gulnara Roll, Head, Housing and Land Management Unit, UNECE

- Ruzan Alaverdyan, Deputy Minister of Urban Development of RA

**13:25-14:15**  
Lunch

**Session 4. Roundtable**

- **14:15-15:15**  
  - Members of Steering Committee and National Experts

- **Irina Gentsler**, Institute of Urban Economics, Moscow, Russian Federation

- **Evgenia Zhelezova**, Agency for Housing Mortgage Lending, Russian Federation

- **Julie Barry**, HM Land Registry, UK

- **Keith Thorpe**, Department for Communities and Local Government, UK

**16:00**  
Leaving for Goris