



World Urban Forum
Sixth Session
Naples, 1 - 7 September 2012

Side Event

The CITY between MEMORY & INNOVATION

Naples, **September 5th**, 2012
h 12.00 am - 1.30 pm
Pavilion 6 - Room 6
Mostra d'Oltremare - Via Kennedy, 54

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Content

The event focuses on the need to rethink the role of urban life in supporting the development of a democratic culture oriented to innovation. To be effective, such culture has to be both rooted into the cities' cultural heritage and opened to the constant exchange of diverse ideas, lifestyles and options characterizing today's global knowledge society and its dynamics.

The event will address three major topics:

- how to assure a democratic and inclusive governance of the social, political and demographic transitions occurring in contemporary cities;
- how can gender perspective and women's leadership help in managing such transitions;
- how cultural heritage and scientific and technological research can cooperate in fostering innovation for sustainable and equitable urban development.

Program

Chairperson

GIOVANNA DECLICH, Executive Director of ASDO, Assembly of Women for Development and the Struggle against Social Exclusion, Italy

Speakers

PATRICIA CHAVES, Founder and Executive Director of Espaço Feminista, Member of Huairou Commission, Brazil

ENRICO COSTA, President of the Master Course in Urban Planning, Mediterranean University of Reggio Calabria, Italy

VINCENT KITIO, Chief of Urban Energy Unit, UN-HABITAT

Discussion

Concluding remarks

ALFONSO ALFONSI, Vice President of CERFE, Italy

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