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Habitat III News

PrepCom 3, the most important conference leading up to Habitat III, is coming up very soon. It will take place from July 25-27 in the Grand City Convex in Surabaya, Indonesia. Announcements regarding applications to side events and other issues will be made this week. Find out more information about the conference [here](#).

Ahead of Prepcom 3, Citiscope has received a leaked draft of a compilation of government-recommended changes to the revised draft of the New Urban Agenda. Click [here](#) to read their briefing.

To register for Habitat III, click [here](#). The deadline for individual registration is October 1, 2016. For more information, visit our website's Habitat III page [here](#).



Action for Sustainable Development Upcoming Events

Action for Sustainable Development is hosting several workshops and meetings throughout the month of July, as part of the High-Level Political Forum in New York from July 11-20. The events, occurring July 16th through July 19th, are intended to help plan civil society's role in monitoring and implementing the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Climate Commitments. The events are as follows:

- 16 July Morning: NGO Major Group Annual Meeting - What is the NGO Major Group and how can you engage in UN processes on sustainable development? [Agenda & RSVP](#)
 - 16 July Afternoon: Action for Sustainable Development - update on the civil society platform and planning sessions for the Working Groups. [Agenda & RSVP](#)
 - 17 July Full day: How can we ensure the Leave No-one Behind promise is delivered? Connecting national perspectives to enable mutual learning and joint action. [Agenda & RSVP](#)
 - 19 July Lunchtime: Leave No-one Behind launch event to examine, engage and empower civil society's efforts in protecting the world's most marginalised communities. [Agenda & RSVP](#)
 - 19 July Evening: Action for Sustainable Development reception and panel discussion on civil society's engagement in the monitoring and implementation of the UN's sustainable development commitments. [Agenda & RSVP](#)
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New Health Report on the New York Region Released by RPA

The Regional Plan Association (RPA) has released a report detailing the current state of the health of the New York Metropolitan region. According to the new report, the New York region is healthier than ever before, and a lot of it has to do with the urban environment that surrounds its citizens. This report serves as an opportunity for other urban areas to adapt New York's best practices, but it also serves as a reminder of the issues New York has yet to tackle- especially housing inequity.

Read the full report [here](#).

Event: Webinar for Africa Economic Outlook 2016

Green Growth Knowledge platform is hosting Africa Economic Outlook 2016: Sustainable Cities and Structural Transformation, a webinar that will discuss the economics of a rapidly urbanizing Africa. The webinar will feature Henri Bernard Solignac-Lecomte (OECD Development Center), Kookie Habtegabber (WWF), and Anton Cartwright (African Centre for Cities).

WHEN: 20 July 2016, 2:00-3:30PM (Geneva, Switzerland Time)

To register, click [here](#).

In the News and Around the Web

- Watch a Bloomberg interview with Rockefeller Foundation president Judith Rodin on planning Asia's urbanization at the Singapore World

Cities Summit [here](#).

- See how urban alleyways are being given new, beautiful life [here](#).
- Click [here](#) to see how eight cities have proven that dying cities can be brought back to life.
- Read about the "curse of the urban sprawl," and why it has to change [here](#).



Urban sprawl of Shanghai, China. China is one of three countries in which 37% of all future urban growth is expected to take place. Photo Credit: Guardian Cities

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