International Union of Architects (UIA) International Forum
AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACTIVATION (AHA)
Removing Barriers
18-20 May 2022
Teatro Principe Pío, Madrid, Spain

Provisional programme
(as of 9 March 2022)

Wednesday, 18 May 2022

9 a.m. – 10 a.m. Opening ceremony

10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Barrier 1: Mismatches

Chair: Sara Topelson, director, Fundación Centro de Investigación y Documentación de la Casa, México

Speakers

- Amira Osman, Professor, Tshwane University of Technology
- Balakrishnan Rajagopal, UN Special Rapporteur on Adequate Housing (tbc)
- William O. Rodríguez, Secretary of Housing, Puerto Rico
- Gulnara Roll, Regional Adviser, Forests, Land and Housing Division, UNECE
- Saskia Sassen, Robert S. Lynd Professor of Sociology, Columbia University (tbc)
- Cameron Sinclair, Co-Founder, Architecture for Humanity (tbc)

Cases: Sao Paulo and Barcelona

12 p.m. – 12.30 p.m. Coffee-break

12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. Barrier 2: Policies and Regulations

Chair: Joan Clos, former Mayor of Barcelona and UN-Habitat Executive Director, Spain

Speakers

- Assem El-Gazar, Minister of Housing, Utilities and Urban Communities, Egypt (tbc)
- Robert Lewis Lettington, Chief, Land, Housing and Shelter Section, UN-Habitat
- Carlos Bruce Montes de Oca, former Minister of Housing in Perú
- Kwan Ok Lee, Dean’s Chair Associate Professor of Urban Planning, National University of Singapore
- Orna Rosenfeld, Global Advisor on Housing
- Claudia Sheinbaum, Head of Government of Mexico City (tbc)

Cases: Singapore and Madrid
2.30 p.m. – 4 p.m.  Lunch break

4 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.  Social Sustainability
Chair: Richard Florida, professor, Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto (tbc)

Speakers
- Fatou Dieye, Affordable Housing Specialist
- Camila Jordan, Executive director, TETO Brazil
- Onno Ruhl, General Manager Aga Khan Agency for Habitat (tbc)
- Inés Sánchez de Madariaga, director Cátedra UNESCO de Género, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid
- Richard Sennett, Senior Fellow of the Center on Capitalism and Society, Columbia University
- Alfonso Vegara, Founder, Fundación Metropoli

Invited architects: Ben van Berkel (tbc); Francis Kéré (tbc) and David Adjaye (tbc)

7 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.  AHA Talks

Thursday, 19 May 2022

10 a.m. – 12 p.m.  Barrier 3: Financing
Chair: Luiz de Mello, director, Economics Department, OCDE

Speakers
- Julie Lawson, Associate Professor, RMIT University
- Jonathan Malagón, ministro de Vivienda de Colombia
- Jyoti Patel, Senior Director, Impact Investments, Habitat for Humanity (tbc)
- Christoph Schmid, Professor, University of Bremen (tbc)
- Elena Szolgayova, Co-Chair, Housing 2030 Initiative
- Simon Walley, Lead Financial Sector Specialist, Finance & Markets, World Bank (tbc)

Cases: Rotterdam and Mexico

12 p.m. – 12.30 p.m.  Coffee-break

12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.  Barrier 4: Urban Design
Chair: Martha Thorne, dean, IE School of Architecture and Design

Speakers
- Nathalie De Vries, Founding Partner, MVRDV (tbc)
- Odile Decq, Founder, Studio Odile Decq
• Cheryl S. Durst, Executive Vice President and CEO, IIDA (tbc)
• Dietmar Eberle, Vice Chair, Baumschlag Eberle Architekten (tbc)
• Paul Karakusevic, Founding partner, Karakusevic Carson Architects
• Assumpta Nnaggenda-Musana, Professor, College of Engineering, Design, Art and Technology, Makerere University (tbc)
• Juhani Pallasmaa, architect, Finland (tbc)

Cases: Reinventing Cities

2.30 p.m. – 4 p.m. Lunch break

4 p.m. – 6.30 p.m. Economic Sustainability

Chair: Felipe Vera, Housing and Urban Development Specialist, Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (tbc)

Speakers

• Lim Chze Cheen, Director, ASEAN Connectivity Division, ASEAN Secretariat (tbc)
• Grzegorz Gajda, Senior Urban Specialist, European Investment Bank (EIB) (tbc)
• Kecia Rust, Executive Director, Centre for Affordable Housing Finance in Africa (tbc)
• Carme Trilla, president, Fundación Hábitat3
• Juan Verde, government and corporate strategist

Invited architects: Anne Lacaton (tbc) Carme Pinós & Norman Foster

7 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. AHA Talks

Friday, 20 May 2022

10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Barrier 5: Promotion and Production

Chair: Marja Hoek-Smit, Director, International Housing Finance Program, Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania (tbc)

Speakers

• Güldehan Atay, Faculty of Art, Design and Architecture, Isik University (tbc)
• Johann Baar, Director Affordable Housing and Technology, Hilti Foundation
• Reinhard Goethert, MIT Architecture
• Kate Henderson, National Housing Federation UK (tbc)
• Sergio Magalhaes, former Housing Secretary of Rio de Janeiro
• Raul Manlapig, Director, Ove Arup & Partners (tbc)

Cases: Vienna and Thailand
12 p.m. – 12.30 p.m.  Coffee-break

12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.  **Barrier 6: Ownership and Tenure**

**Chair:** Stuart Gabriel, Director, UCLA Ziman Center for Real Estate (tbc)

**Speakers**

- Danny Ben-Shahar, Professor, Coller School of Management, Tel-Aviv University (tbc)
- Margrit Hugentobler, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH)
- Sergio Nasarre, Catedra UNESCO Vivienda, Univ. Rovira i Virgili
- Michelle Norris, Director of the Geary Institute for Public Policy, University College Dublin (tbc)
- Martin O. Smolka, Director, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy (tbc)
- Spela Videcnik, OFIS Architects

**Cases:** Oslo, Stockholm and Mauritius

2.30 p.m. – 4 p.m.  Lunch break

4 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.  **Environmental Sustainability**

**Chair:** Carlos Sallé, Spain

**Speakers**

- Christina Cheong, Green Cities Specialist, Green Buildings Lead, Global Green Growth Institute (tbc)
- Ani Dasgupta, President & CEO, World Resources Institute (WRI) (tbc)
- Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary, UNFCCC (tbc)
- Cristina Gamboa, CEO, World Green Building Council (tbc)
- Cassie Sutherland, programme director, energy and buildings, C40

**Invited architects:** Alejandro Aravena (tbc), Stefano Boeri, César Ruiz Larrea

6.30 p.m. – 7 p.m.  Closing ceremony

7 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.  AHA Talks