The World Urban Forum is the premier global conference on the future of our cities and towns and the Tenth Session taking place in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 8 – 13 February 2020 will attract thousands of participants. This will be the first time that an Arab country will host the world’s most important conference on sustainable urbanization.

There will be opportunities for the media to attend a wide variety of exciting meetings featuring Ministers, Mayors from 50 cities from around the world, award winning architects, academics from leading universities, artists and writers, business leaders and community activists.

It will be a packed week featuring 6 Dialogue Sessions on themes ranging from frontier technologies and sustainable cities to urban planning and heritage preservation. 16 Stakeholder Roundtables bringing together key decision makers, practitioners and thought leaders, 10 Special Sessions on fascinating topics including the relationship and role of culture and innovation to inequality, migration, climate change and youth as well as sustainable urban development in the Arab region, and 5 Assemblies which will take place simultaneously bringing together women, youth, local and regional governments, grassroots groups and business leaders.

In addition there will be 400 Events Hosted By Partners including Networking Events, Side Events, One UN Room, Voices from Cities, the SDG Action Zone and Urban Library. There will also be the UN-Habitat Better Cities Film Festival and an Urban Expo featuring over 180 Exhibitors from 67 Countries.

For more information on the WUF10 programme visit https://wuf.unhabitat.org/, or contact unhabitat-wuf@un.org

Theme
The overall theme for WUF 10 is Cities of Opportunities: Connecting Culture and Innovation. Culture, which encompasses knowledge, art, belief, capabilities, habits, morals and behaviour, plays a key role in city growth. The cultural diversity of cities that encourage inclusivity, tolerance and participation, is a social asset. Urban areas contain the cultural diversity, creative capital, vitality, social infrastructure and opportunities to attract the skills and talent to generate innovation and solutions.
Media Credentials
To register as media please go to the registration page https://wuf.unhabitat.org/page/registration
Select ”Media” as your registration type and follow the instructions including uploading documents.
For queries on the registration process please contact unhabitat-wuf@un.org

The Media Centre
The WUF10 Media Centre has space and facilities for WUF10 accredited journalists with a WUF10 Media badge only.
The Media Centre located will remain open from 0730 to 2000 from 8 to 13 February 2020.
The Media Centre can accommodate 40 journalists at one time offering wifi connection, computers and printers.

Press Conference Room
All official press conferences and presentations to media will be held in the Press Conference Room, located next to the Media Centre. It is open to all delegates, not just the media and holds around 120 people.
Various organizations, Governments and partners will hold press conferences and presentations in Press Conference Room.
The Press Conference Room provides interpretation in six languages.
There is also an interview area.
Press Conferences are streamed live on UN TV http://webtv.un.org/live/.
The Press Conference Room schedule will be updated daily on https://wuf.unhabitat.org/wuf10-programme

Press briefings
A media background briefing session will be held each day if required at 0800 - 0830 in the Press Conference Room highlighting the main interesting sessions of the day.
The main press conference will take place every day at 13:00 – 13:30 in the Press Conference Room. There will be other press conferences and events taking place daily in the Press Conference Room.

Media in the venue
There will be live streaming of the Official Opening, High Level Dialogues, Assemblies, Roundtables, Special Sessions, Press Conferences and events at the UN-Habitat pavilion at the Urban Expo.
There are designated areas for the media in the bigger areas. Television and radio will be allowed to record sessions unless advised otherwise by the Media Unit.
The WUF10 Communication Unit will coordinate the media presence and ensure media equipment does not block the movement of participants

The main events and press conferences will be live-streamed by UNTV and available to watch on http://webtv.un.org/live/.
UN-Habitat will post all relevant information on the WUF10 website
https://wuf.unhabitat.org/page/media-centre. It will also send emails to registered
media with daily information.

Photos will be available on https://www.flickr.com/photos/unhabitat/ and dropbox.
Video on https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxkn7WgOdNdNB3AfG65NQ_A

A daily summary and photos will also be available every evening through IISD
Reporting Services on https://enb.iisd.org/. Check the photo credit requirements.

**Social Media**
Follow us on social media for the latest updates and stories
Facebook @worldurbananforum
Twitter @WUF_10 #WUF10

All social media messages, overall messaging, concept notes etc can be found on
https://trello.com/b/57nD0UMx/the-tenth-session-of-the-world-urban-forum-wuf10

**Logistics**
WUF10 is being held at the Abu Dhabi’s National Exhibition Centre (ADNEC) and there
are special rates for hotel and flights for participants:
Accommodation: https://mci.me.eventsair.com/wuf2020/accom-booking/Site/Register

Flights: https://www.etihad.com/wuf/

**The World Urban Forum**
The World Urban Forum is convened by the United Nations Human Settlements
Programme, UN-Habitat and hosted by UN Member States and held in a different city
of the world, every two years.

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