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Office of the Deputy Executive Director



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Dear Mr. Deputy Secretary-General,

The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), in collaboration with the Consortium for Sustainable Development (CSU) is organizing a high-level event on 25 October 2016, as part of the global observance of Urban October 2016.

This will be the first UN-Habitat event in New York after the formal adoption in Quito of the New Urban Agenda during the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III). By readdressing the way cities and human settlements are planned, financed, developed, governed and managed, the New Urban Agenda, as a key instrument for national and sub-national governments, including local governments, and all relevant stakeholders to achieve sustainable urban development, commits to a paradigm shift towards a new urbanization vision that can better respond to the above challenges as well as harness future potentials. For effective implementation, the New Urban Agenda also requires an enabling environment and enhanced international cooperation and partnerships among Governments at all levels, the private sector, civil society, the United Nations System and other relevant stakeholders.

We would be honoured if you could participate in this event and deliver the keynote speech about the United Nations perspective on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda.

The event will bring together high level representatives from Governments, the United Nations, local authorities, the private sector, civil society, academia, and other relevant stakeholders. It will take place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

In thanking you in advance, we attach the concept note and the draft programme of the event, and we remain at your disposal for any further information that you may require.

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With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Aisa Kirabo Kacyira
United Nations Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director

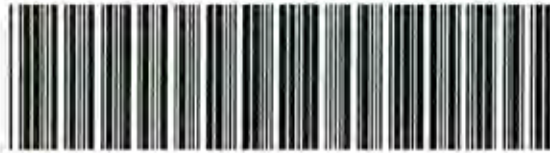
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