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For the first time, culture, creativity and innovation will be at the centre of the global conversation about the liveability, vitality and sustainability of cities. Creativity and cultural diversity have always been key drivers of urban success. While technology shapes the invisible infrastructure of smart cities, culture and creativity are necessary to protect the quirkiness that gives cities their own character that connects and inspires us.



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In many respects, culture can be regarded as the fourth pillar of sustainable development.¹ The 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and the New Urban Agenda have placed culture at the forefront of current debates on urbanization. Culture and cultural diversity are sources of enrichment, grounded in human rights principles and therefore provide an important contribution to the sustainable development of urban areas.² Today, the notion of culture – understood ³ in its broad sense of knowledge, art, belief, capabilities, habits, morals and behaviors – plays a key role in city growth more than ever before. The cultural diversity of cities that fosters inclusivity, tolerance and participation, is therefore widely viewed as a social asset....[Read more](#)

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(Deadline: November 15, 2019)

UN-Habitat invites governments, subnational governments, non-governmental organizations, the United Nations family, international organizations, private sector, academia and other stakeholders to present and display innovative projects, establish connections and look at how we can reshape the future of our cities and communities.

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(February 8th-13th 2020)

The World Urban Forum, which is convened by UN-Habitat, is the world's most important conference on cities. As a non-legislative forum open to all, it provides the opportunity for thousands of participants involved in all aspects of urbanization to share practices and knowledge on how cities are built, planned and managed

- [Smart Cities Conference 2019](#) (16th September 2019)
- [Cities 4.0: Unlocking Functional and Sustainable Cities](#) (23rd to 24th September 2019)
- [Walk 21](#) (7th- 10th October 2019)
- [EcoCity World Summit 2019](#) (7th to 11th October 2019)
- [C40 World Mayors Summit](#) (9th - 12th October 2019)
- [Asia-Pacific Urban Forum \(APUF7\)](#) (15 - 17 October 2019)
- [16th International Conference on Urban Health](#) (4th to 8th November 2019)
- [3rd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SMART AND SUSTAINABLE PLANNING FOR CITIES AND REGIONS 2019](#) (9th to 13th December 2019)

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