

Cities Alliance

Cities Without Slums

Executive Committee Meeting
11 -13 July 2011

Meetings Overview

Venue: XXX Hotel
Accra, GHANA

SUNDAY, 10 JULY 2011

Arrival Day

MONDAY, 11 JULY 2011

08h30 – 17h30 Executive Committee Meeting

Venue:

08h30 - 09h00 WELCOME

1. Opening of the meeting

09h00 – 09h30 AGENDA

2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Review and Approval of March 2011 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

09h30 – 12h30 BUSINESS MATTERS

4. Business Plan, 2012 - 2014
5. Review of Budget and Work Programme FY12
6. Grant Facility Options

12h30 - 14h00 LUNCH

Venue:

14h00 – 15h30 NEW BUSINESS MODEL UPDATES

7. Country Programme Update
8. Catalytic Fund Update
9. Knowledge Resources/Joint Work Programme Updates

15h30 – 16h00 COFFEE/TEA BREAK

16h00 – 17h00 PARTNERSHIP MATTERS

10. Charter Update
11. Update on the Independent Evaluation 2011
12. Membership Issues

As of 31 May 2011

13. Secretariat Staffing Update

17h00 – 17h30 CLOSE OF MEETING

14. Next EXCO Meeting and Consultative Group Meeting
15. Any other business
16. Closing Remarks

20h00 GROUP DINNER

Venue: To Be Confirmed

TUESDAY, 12 JULY 2011

09h00 – 17h00 Site Visits

1. Ghana Country Programme Presentation and Discussion
2. Old Fadama Walking Tour
3. Visit and Discussion with AMA Mayor and City Officials
4. Bus Tour of Accra led by the Mayor (may include the Waterfront, Jamestown, Gamashie and Nima)
5. Group Dinner

WEDNESDAY, 14 JULY 2011

9h30 – 16h30 – Special Session of the Ghana Urban Platform/1st Policy Advisory Forum

Theme: Planning for an Urban Future

Venue: TBC

1. Welcome – Hon. Samuel Ofose-Ampofo, Minister of Local Government and Rural Development, (tbc)
2. Opening Remarks – Jean-Pierre Elong-Mbassi (tbc)
3. Keynote Address - Paul-Victor Obeng, Chair, National Development Planning Commission (tbc)
4. Coffee/Tea/Snack
5. Roundtable Debate, Clare Short, Facilitator
6. Meeting Wrap-up, William Cobbett
7. Lunch

14-15 JULY 2011

Optional Habitat for Humanity “Build Louder Trip” to Kumasi, Ghana (tbc)

Venue: Nkwantakese (in the Afigya Sekyere District in the Ashanti Region of Ghana). It is situated to the south west of Agona Ashanti the District Capital.

Habitat for Humanity Ghana, an affiliate programme to Habitat for Humanity International, believes it is possible to eradicate sub-standard or poverty housing in Ghana: with the support of everyone of course! The impelling conviction is that no development strategy or programme can succeed in the absence of attention to housing. Productivity, the hallmark of economic and social progress will remain a mirage if families are not adequately housed. Our goal therefore is to eliminate poverty housing in Ghana.

Habitat’s goal is eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the face of the earth by constructing and building adequate and basic housing. Furthermore, all of our words and actions are for the ultimate purpose of putting shelter on the hearts and minds of people in such a powerful way that poverty housing and homelessness become socially, politically, and religiously unacceptable in our nation and world

Habitat for Humanity Global Village trips to Ghana give participants a unique opportunity to become active partners with warm and friendly Ghanaians to build homes, communities, love and hope. Team members work alongside members of the host community, raising awareness of the burden of poverty housing and building decent, affordable houses. Participants experience a unique working trip that also gives them the opportunity to learn about the host community's culture, language and social practices as well as developing new skills and confidence.

Most days are spent working side-by-side with future homeowners and local volunteers. Itineraries are balanced with work, rest, cultural activities and free times. Most teams also spend a couple of days (depending on the length of their trip) visiting local historic sites and participating in recreational activities.

Habitat for Humanity Ghana has over the years hosted many Global Village teams, some numbering as many as 44 from countries as the Netherlands, The United States, Canada and Northern Ireland, etc.