





### **European Committee** of the Regions

# **Evidence-based policies for sustainable housing and urban development in Europe** and beyond

Place and date: Committee of the Regions,

2 Rue Van Maerlant, 1040 Etterbeek, Brussels, Belgium

Room VM3

13 December 2018

2pm-6pm

14:00-14:15	Opening remarks
	<ul> <li>Ms Olga Zrihen, Chair of the CoR'S ECON commission and vice-President of the Belgian Senate</li> </ul>
	- Ms Gulnara Roll, Head, UNECE Housing and Land Management Unit
	- Mr Christophe Lalande, Leader, Housing Unit, UN-Habitat.
14:15 – 14:50	Presentations
	'Key Performance Indicators for Smart Sustainable Cities'
	- Ms Gulnara Roll, Head, UNECE Housing and Land Management Unit
	'UN-Habitat/UNECE guidelines on policies for sustainable urban development with focus on housing'
	- <b>Ms Agata Krause,</b> Consultant for the UNECE/UN-Habitat.
14:50 – 15.45	Presentations: Approaches to data collection and management in the context of SDG11. Reflection on policy frameworks, tools, methodologies in the EU.
	The session will discuss a range of issues: Europe 2020 and the EU sustainable development indicators, qualitative methodologies and scenario analysis; Key Performance Indicators of the United for Smart Sustainable Cities; review of statistics and data on cities; Public Private Partnership in statistics.
	Moderator: Ms Daniela Grabmullerova, Ministry for Regional Development, Czech Republic; Vice Chair of Bureau of the UNECE Committee of Housing and Land Management.
	<ul> <li>Ms Teodóra Brandmüller, Statistical Officer, Team leader - Regional and Urban statistics, European Commission Eurostat</li> <li>Mr Laurent Bontoux, Senior Expert, Joint Research Centre</li> </ul>
	- Mr R.P.P.J Hermans, Programme Director, CBS Urban Data Centre
	Questions and conclusions.
15:45 – 16:00	Coffee break

### 16:15 - 17:45

## Interactive discussion: Opportunities and challenges for evidence-based policy-making in urban development and housing.

During the discussion about opportunities and challenges for a better production, management and use of data for sustainable housing and urban development policies, references will be made to the following issues: the role of territorial impact assessment in policy monitoring in the EU; the role of case evidence in the State Aid for affordable housing; 'better regulation' and 'better knowledge' in the EU Urban agenda; achievements of the Urban Partnerships; localisation of SDGs.

**Moderator**: **Mr Matteo Tarantino**, Lecturer & Senior Research Associate, University of Geneva.

Discussion features the contributions of:

- Ms Wallis Goelen-Vandebrock, Head of Unit, Inclusive Growth, Urban and Territorial Development, DG REGIO
- **Mr Thomas Wobben**, Director, Committee of the Regions
- Mr Laurent Ghekiere, Director of European Affairs for the Union Sociale pour l'Habitat (USH)
- **Ms Michaela Kauer**, Co-coordinator of the EU Urban Agenda Housing Partnership, director of the "Vienna House" in Brussels
- Ms Barbara Steenbergen, Head of liaison office of the IUT to the EU
- Ms Alice Pittini, Research coordinator, Housing Europe.

### 17:45 - 18:00

#### **Conclusions**

- **Mr Andres Jaadla**, CoR member, Councillor of the city of Rakvere, Estonia, Board member of Housing Europe
- Ms Gulnara Roll, Head, UNECE Housing and Land Management Unit
- Mr Christophe Lalande, Leader, Housing Unit, UN-Habitat.