



Opening of the exhibition
Art for Smart Sustainable Cities

5 October 2015

**Building A, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland
Hall in front of Delegates Bar, Third Floor**

The “Art for Smart Sustainable Cities” exhibition is organised by the Cittadellarte and the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Housing and Land Management Unit. It will be open to visitors from 5th to 24th October 2015. The exhibition will be opened on 5th October, the [World Habitat Day](#).

The exhibition will demonstrate creative, artistic approaches to interpreting and communicating urban development challenges. It will also inform about important UN documents and events promoting sustainable urban development. These includes the [Sustainable Development Goals](#), to be adopted by the UN General Assembly in September 2015, especially the goal on *making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable*; the recently endorsed [Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing](#); and the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development – [HABITAT III](#) (Quito, Ecuador, 17-22 October 2016).

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13.00-13.40 Official opening of the exhibition

Opening remarks by the Master of Ceremonies Mr. Marco Keiner, Acting Director, UNECE Forests, Land and Housing Division

Welcome speech by Ms. Charlotte Warakaulle, Director, UNOG Library

Welcome speech by Mr. Christian Friis Bach, UNECE Executive Secretary

Welcome speech by Mr. Mr. Paolo Naldini, Cittadellarte Foundation Director

Dance performance by the “Dansons comme Noureev” Dancing School (Geneva)

13.40 – 15.00 Lunch reception