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UNECE Subregional Online Workshop Policies for housing affordability in Russia and CIS

*10 March 2021, 10:00 a.m.-12 p.m. CET (Geneva time)
Languages: Russian and English with simultaneous interpretation*

Introduction

The UNECE Subregional Online Workshop for Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) will discuss policies and programmes for housing affordability in the CIS subregion. This subregional workshop is organized by the Ministry of Construction, Housing and Utilities of Russia in cooperation with UNECE. The workshop will support the subregional exchange of experiences and good practices in CIS countries on promoting access to decent, adequate, affordable and healthy housing. It will also serve as a preparatory meeting to the Ministerial Meeting on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management 2021 “Affordable, adequate, and resilient housing in liveable cities, including cities which face extreme weather conditions” for the CIS subregion. The Ministerial Meeting will take place on 6-8 October 2021 in Geneva, Switzerland.

Draft programme

10:00-10:10 Opening

- Mr. Nikita Stasishin, Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities of Russia
- Ms. Paola Deda, Director of the UNECE Forests, Land and Housing Division

Moderator: Ms. Gulnara Roll, Secretary to UNECE Committee on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management

10:10-11:00 Session 1. National housing policies and practices in Russia and CIS countries

Guiding questions to speakers:

- Provide a short overview of a housing governance or regulatory policy in your country which helps to promote housing affordability
- Highlight a best practice in improving housing affordability
- Formulate key challenges on housing affordability which will need to be addressed in the future.

Speakers

- Mr. Nikita Stasishin, Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities of Russia
- Mr. Davron Adilov, First Deputy Minister of Construction of Uzbekistan
- Mr. Mihail Lupascu, State Secretary, Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure of the Republic of Moldova



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11:00-11:10 Virtual coffee break

11:10-11:50 Session 2. International initiatives on housing in the UNECE region

Guiding questions to speakers:

- What are your organization key programme(s) supporting housing affordability?
- What are the key activities relevant to the CIS subregion?
- Who are your key partners?

Speakers

- Ms. Elena Szolgayova, #Housing2030 Initiative Co-Chair; and Ms. Julie Lawson, Lead Writer of the study report - Overview of the #Housing2030 Initiative
- Mr. Aleksandr Myasnikov, Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Council on Construction for CIS countries
- Mr. Vladimir Chik, Director, Institute of Housing NIPTIS named after S.S. Atayev
- Ms. Soo-Jin Kim, Deputy Head of Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities, OECD
- Ms. Katja Shaefer, UN-Habitat Regional Advisor

Questions and answers. Discussion.

11:50-12:00 Wrap up and closing of the workshop by the organizers

- Ms. Gulnara Roll, Secretary to UNECE Committee on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management
- Mr. Nikita Stasishin, Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing and Utilities of Russia