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MEDIA ADVISORY

Outcomes of the second Ministerial Meeting on Urbanization and Climate Change at COP28

Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 5 December 2023 — On 6 December, the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) – the United Nations entity responsible for sustainable urban development – along with representatives of national and local governments, will hold a press briefing to present the agreed outcomes of the second Ministerial Meeting on Urbanization and Climate Change.

WHERE: COP28, Press Conference Room 1, Zone B8

WHEN: 13:00 to 13:30 GST (UTC+4)

WEBCAST: Access the COP28 Press Conference webcast [here](#)

SPEAKERS: [Maimunah Mohd Sharif](#), Executive Director of UN-Habitat
[Jader Barbalho Filho](#), Minister of Cities, Brazil
[Abigail Binay](#), Mayor of Makati, Philippines
[Chilando Chitangala](#), Mayor of Lusaka, Zambia

Ministers of housing, urban development, environment, and finance, local and regional leaders, financial institutions, and non-government stakeholders are meeting at COP28 to highlight the critical importance of adaptation finance for urban areas and ensure cities are equipped to address the climate crisis.

Currently, as much as 90 per cent of cities are threatened by rising sea levels and storms, and their residents are exposed to temperatures 10 degrees higher than their counterparts in rural areas. Finance for adaptation remains a bottleneck, with only 21 per cent of climate finance allocated to adaptation and resilience, and only 10 per cent reaching the local level.

About UN-Habitat

UN-Habitat is the United Nations entity responsible for sustainable urbanization. It has programmes in over 90 countries supporting policymakers and communities to create socially and environmentally sustainable cities and towns. UN-Habitat promotes transformative change in cities through knowledge, policy advice, technical assistance, and collaborative action. To know more, visit www.unhabitat.org or follow us on X @UNHABITAT.

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