



The Tenth Session of the World Urban Forum

Cities of Opportunities: Connecting Culture and Innovation



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WUF

// since 2001, is the world's premier conference, for exchanging views and experiences on urban challenges and issues

// is the key platform to discuss the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the urban dimension of the Sustainable Development Goals

OBJECTIVES

Raise awareness of sustainable urbanization among stakeholders and constituencies, including the general public

Improve the collective knowledge of sustainable urban development through inclusive open debates, sharing of lessons learned and the exchange of best practices and good policies

Increase coordination and cooperation between different stakeholders and constituencies for the advancement and implementation of sustainable urbanization.



TARGET AUDIENCE

The WUF10 expects to draw participation of national leaders, government officials, mayors, pioneering entrepreneurs and other policy and decision makers and stakeholders at all levels from around the world.

- Civil Society Organizations
- National Governments
- Professionals & Academia
- Parliamentarians
- Regional and Local Governments
- Private Sector
- International Organizations



HOST CITIES

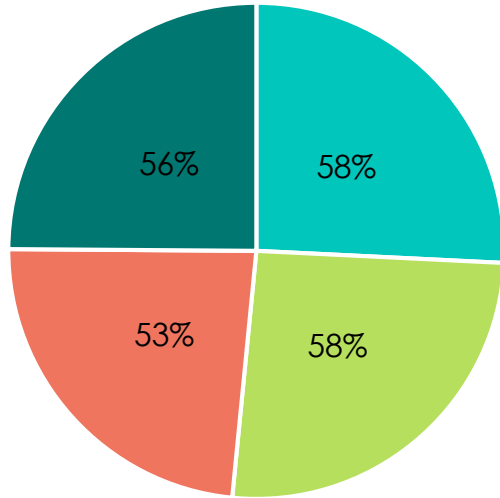
The World Urban Forum (WUF) was established by the United Nations to examine the pressing issue of rapid urbanization and its impact on communities, cities, economies and policies globally.



FACTS & FIGURES

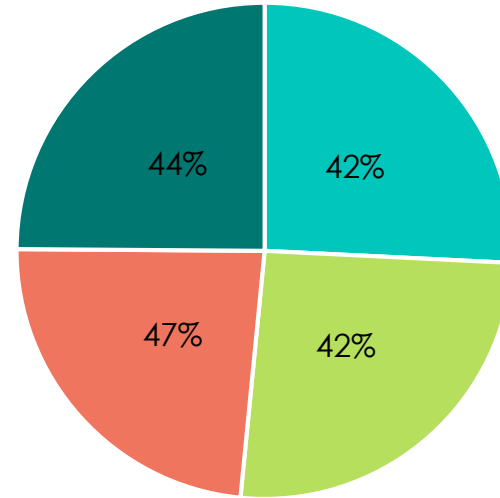
Participants by Gender

Male Participants



- WUF5 (Rio, Brazil)
- WUF6 (Napples, Italy)
- WUF7 (Medellin, Columbia)
- WUF9 (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

Female Participants



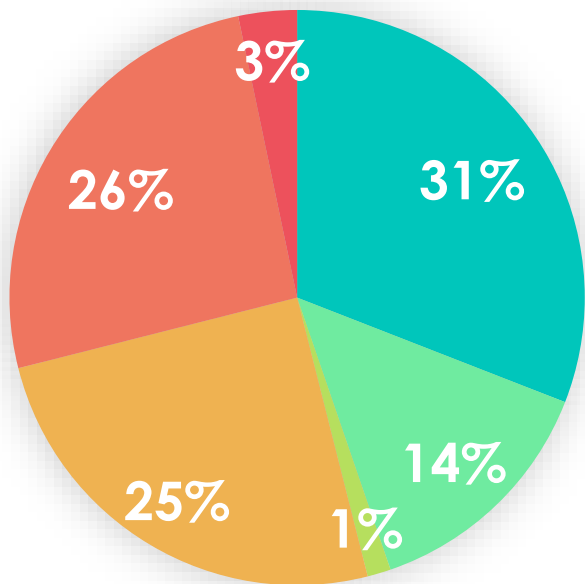
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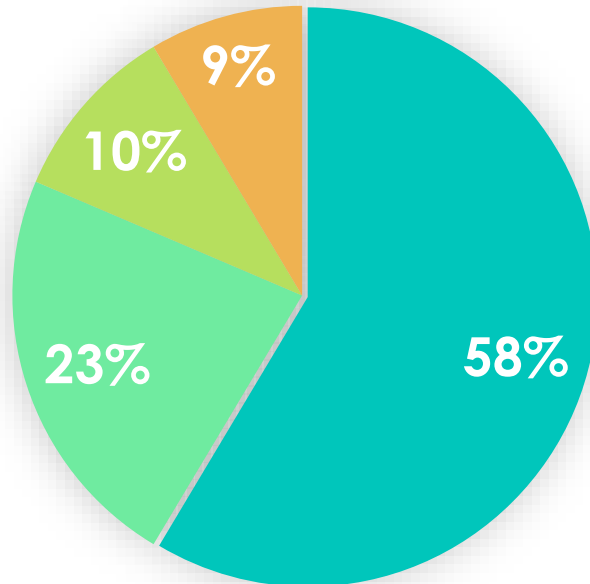
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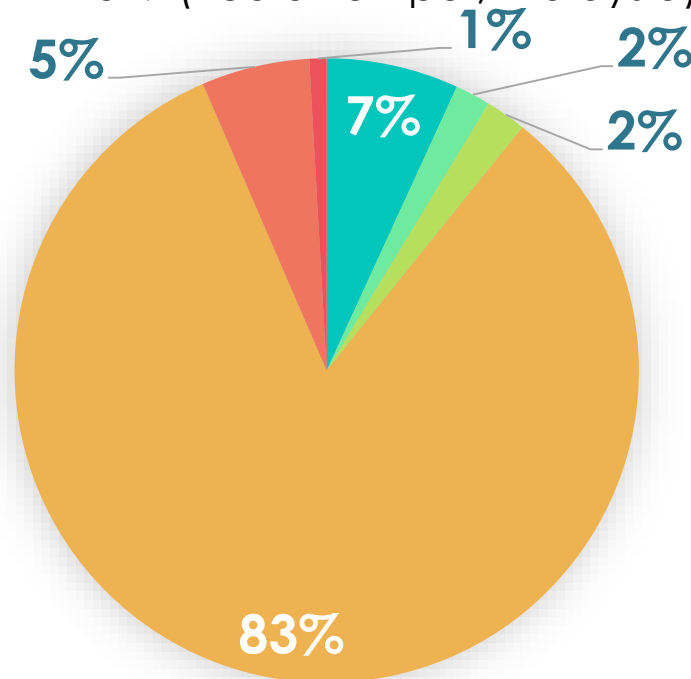
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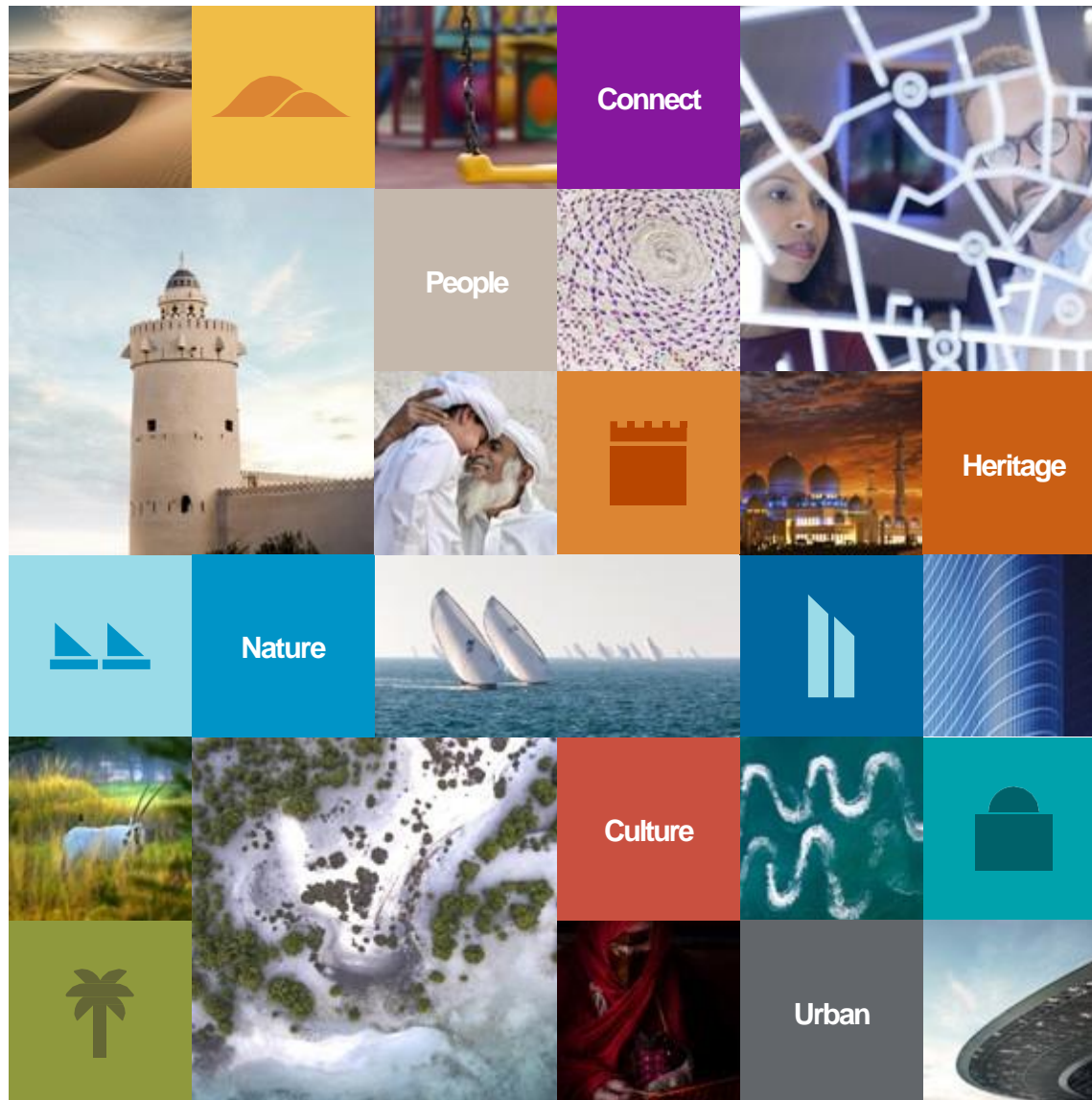
- Africa
- Latin America
- North America
- Asia
- Europe
- Oceania



WUF¹⁰ THEME & RELEVANCE

Cities of Opportunities: Connecting Culture and Innovation

- advocacy and networking opportunities for all stakeholders on sustainable urbanization
- collect inputs from the multilateral organizations and stakeholders into the reporting of the implementation of the New Urban Agenda
- opportunity to integrate UN-Habitat's Strategic Plan 2020-2023 into the WUF process
- launch of the flagship programmes



MILESTONES (Last three months)



- WUF10 Task Teams established
- Concept Paper
- Background Paper
- Communication Strategy



- Concept Paper on the Website
- Online applications: side, networking & training events open
- Online registration open
- Application for exhibition open



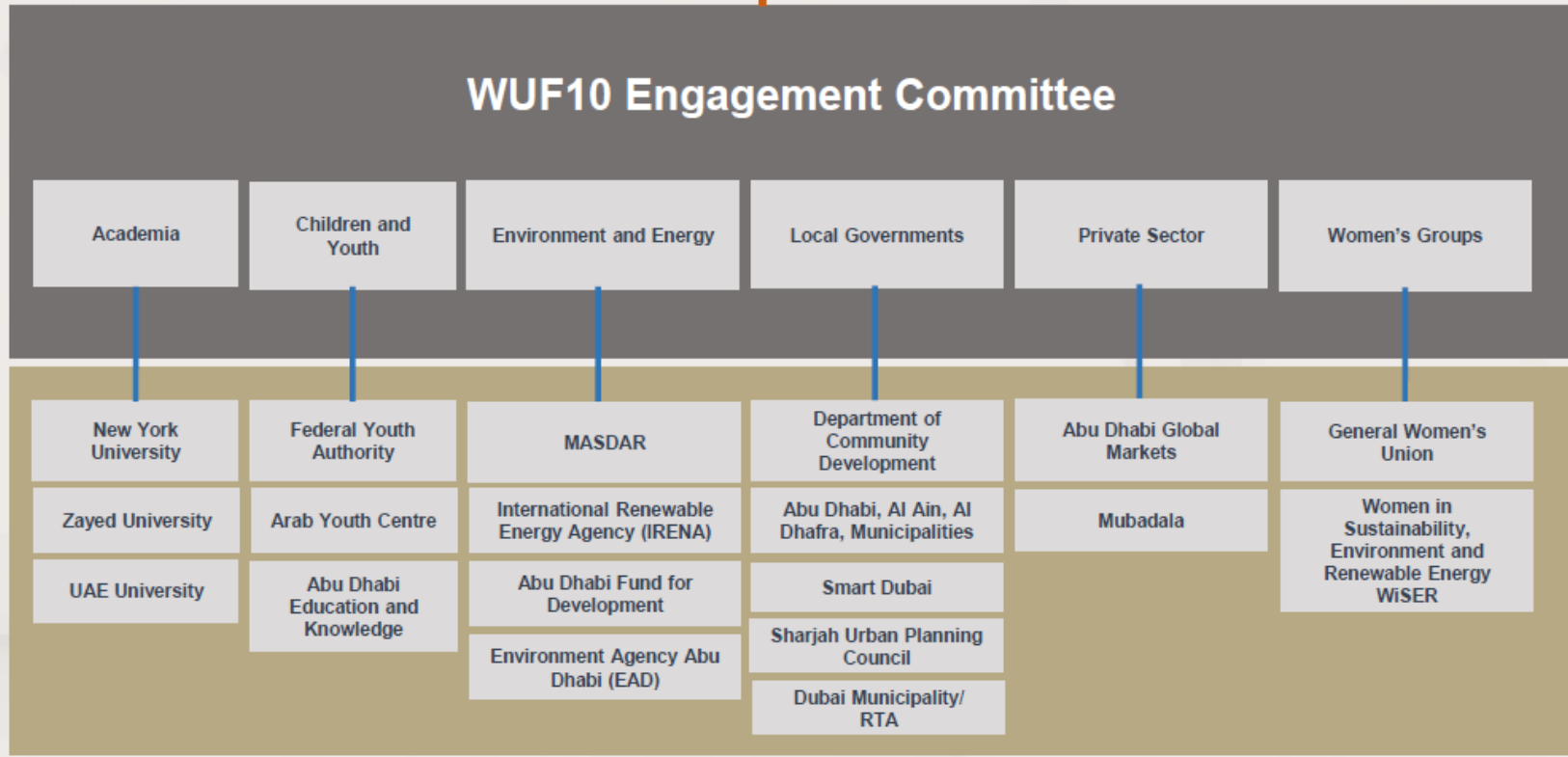
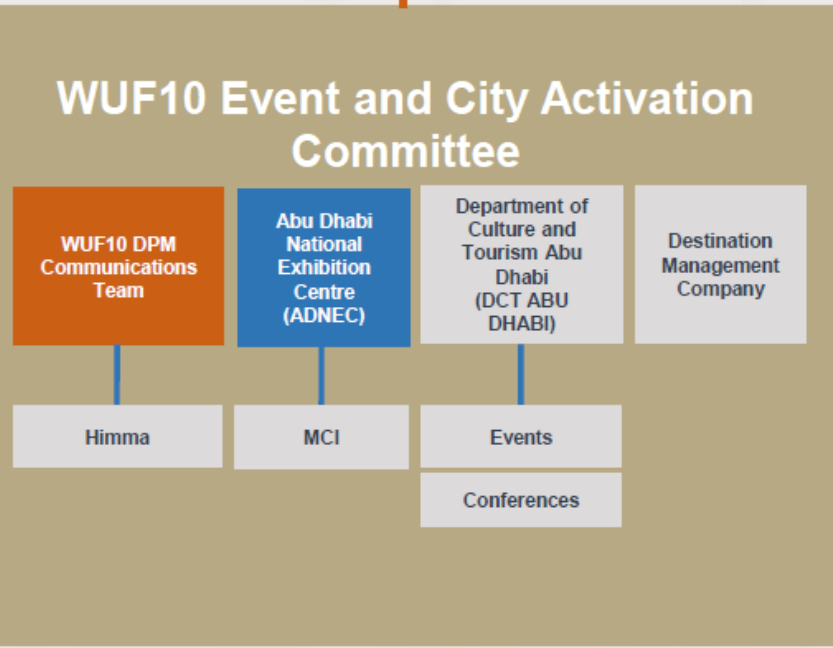
- First Local Organizing Committee (UAE) meeting on 18 Sept.
- Substantive Session Focal Points appointed
- Session Concept Notes under review
- Collecting proposed speakers
- Invitations on-going



LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE STRUCTURE



Department of Urban Planning and Municipalities



WUF10 SESSIONS

Dialogues

The Dialogues are high-profile events to discuss policy recommendations with focus on policy actions and innovative means for the effective implementation of the New Urban Agenda to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. The Dialogues intend to collect inputs on key aspects of sustainable urbanization from the debate on the main theme of WUF10, and to deepen the knowledge on the sub-themes of the Dialogues.

Dialogues

- 1 Urbanization, Culture and Innovation (co-lead: UNESCO)
- 2 Driving Sustainable Change in Cities through Culture and Innovation
- 3 Tradition and Modernity: A Creative Convergence for Sustainable Cities
- 4 Frontier Technologies and Sustainable Cities
- 5 Urban Planning and Heritage Preservation/Regeneration (co-lead: UNESCO)
- 6 Partnerships and Initiatives Supporting Culture and Innovation in Cities



WUF10 SESSIONS

High-level Roundtables

The High-Level Roundtables are the highest-level segment, featuring key decision makers and the most iconic figures, to deliberate on a set of subjects in line with the theme of the World Urban Forum 10, including high profile emerging issues and global trends. The High-Level Roundtables aim to take the debate on the linkages between sustainable urbanization and the development agenda to the next level, collecting key reflections on the status of and way forward to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.

High-Level Roundtables

- 1 Ministerial Roundtable
- 2 Local and Regional Governments Roundtable
- 3 One UN Roundtable
- 4 Traditional Authorities Roundtable



WUF10 SESSIONS

Special Sessions

The Special Sessions generate debate on specific technical aspects of the urban issues with aim of in-depth discussions on specific issues on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda. The Special Sessions also provide substantial discussions on the implementation of initiatives in each identified topic and consider the strategic delivery of the New Urban Agenda in the light of the respective topics.

Special Sessions

- 1 Sustainable Urban Development in the Arab World
- 2 Addressing inequality through culture and innovation
- 3 Driving shared urban prosperity through cultural lens
- 4 Urban culture and climate change action
- 5 Culture, the creative industry and their impact on urban reconstruction and resilience
- 6 Migration, culture and urban development
- 7 Youth, culture and urbanism
- 8 Financing for sustainable urban development



WUF10 SESSIONS

Assemblies

The Assemblies are featured and created to provide voice to key stakeholder groups from broader segments of the society, particularly instrumental to support an inclusive and participatory decision-making process for a scaled-up implementation of the New Urban Agenda at all levels. Recommendations from the Assemblies are expected to inform the participation and contributions of the related groups across the successive programme of sessions during the World Urban Forum.

Assemblies

- 1 Gender Equality Action Assembly
- 2 World Urban Youth Assembly
- 3 Local and Regional Governments Assembly
- 4 Grassroots Assembly
- 5 Business Assembly



WUF10 SESSIONS

Stakeholders' Roundtables

The Stakeholders' Roundtables hold an array of roundtable meetings with various partner constituent groups. These roundtables have an opportunity to present key partners' projects, initiatives and research on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda. The roundtables also promote strong participation of stakeholders ensuring their inclusion in the identification of new issues, the sharing of lessons learned and the exchange of urban solutions and policies for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Stakeholders' Roundtables

- 1 Women
- 2 Children and Youth
- 3 Business and Industries
- 4 Civil Society Organizations
- 5 Foundations and Philanthropies
- 6 Indigenous Peoples
- 7 Older Persons
- 8 Parliamentarians
- 9 Persons with Determination
- 10 Professionals
- 11 Research and Academia



WUF10 SESSIONS

Integrated Initiatives

WUF10 is expected to enhance the common vision on sustainable urban development and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development by contributing to implementation of concrete innovative solutions for the commitments made in the New Urban Agenda to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. Since its first session in 2002, a series of the past sessions of the Forums have laid a solid foundation for bringing together a wide range of urban actors, experts and relevant stakeholders with diverse views to gather substantive discussions.

Integrated Initiatives

Legacy Projects

- 1 WUF Alumni Initiative
- 2 Cities Investment Platform
- 3 Culture and Urban Development Initiative

Integrated Spaces

- 1 Listen to Cities Room
- 2 One UN Room
- 3 Urban Cinema
- 4 Urban Library



WUF10 MOBILIZATION

Events engagement



Logistics

1. Venue
2. Registration
3. Visa
4. Accommodations
5. Events application
6. Exhibition



WUF10 VENUE

Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Center

The Forum will be held at Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Center- **ADNEC**,
Khaleej Al Arabi Street, Abu Dhabi.

More information can be found
at: www.adnec.ae and on WUF 10
website under 'practical info' section



WUF10 REGISTRATION

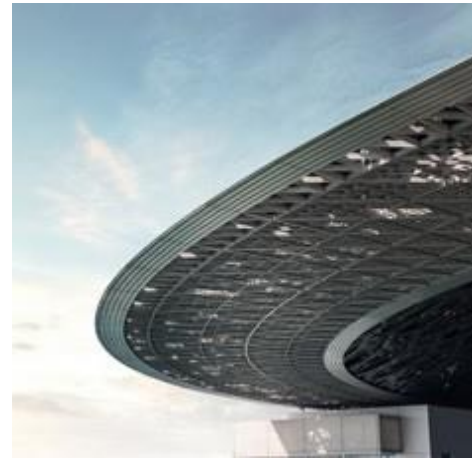
<https://unhabitat.org/wuf>

As from 31 July, the registration for participation in WUF10 is open with a deadline of 21 January 2020.



EVENTS APPLICATION

As from 31 July, the registration for participation in WUF10 and the call application for **Side Events, Networking Events and Training Events** is open with a deadline of 14 October 2019



EXHIBITION APPLICATION

The WUF10 exhibition will offer a unique opportunity to showcase urban solutions and to network with other urban experts facing similar challenges in the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals

Deadline of applications for exhibition space: **15 November 2019**

*Exhibition Guidelines is available at <https://wuf.unhabitat.org/page/expo>



ACCOMMODATION

Prospective participants to use on-line search websites for information on hotels in Abu Dhabi



VISA PROCESS

Before traveling to the U.A.E., check your visa requirements and make sure you have a valid visa if needed, or if your passport needs to be valid for a minimum period.

Holders of non-standard passports and travel documents may also have different entry requirements, please visit: <https://www.mofa.gov.ae>



IN THE NEXT 3 MONTHS

October

- Finalize Concept Paper (based on received comments)
- Session concept notes published on the website

November

- Confirmation of invited participants (e.g. Member States and other stakeholders)
- Confirmation of speakers
- Confirmation of Side, Training and Networking events
- First detailed Programme on line

December

- Regional WUF briefings with Member States
- WUF10 Mobilization
- Onsite operations and logistics





Horizontal Version

