



URBAN OCTOBER REPORT 2024



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It's really important that cities are not synonymous with disconnection with nature, that they're not synonymous with just concrete.

*Xiye Bastida,
Climate justice activist,
Age 22*



Youth, climate, and urbanization: Key figures

Our world is rapidly changing towards urbanization. While this brings both challenges and opportunities, youth – who are the most adversely impacted by these issues – are at the forefront of a global movement for change:



50%+
of the world's population
resides in urban areas today,
and this figure is expected to rise to
70% by 2050
with growth concentrated in Asia,
Africa, and Latin America.

85%
of the current world's
youth population
lives in developing countries.



50%+
of the population in Africa
is under 25 years old.
*More than 80 per cent of the
unemployed are youth.*

80%+
of global GDP is
generated in cities,
with higher levels of urbanization
generally correlating with
increased GDP per capita.



80%+
of young people (ages 16-25)
experience climate anxiety¹,
influencing decisions on career paths and
family planning. Furthermore, 1 billion
children live in countries at extremely
high risk due to climate change².



¹ The Lancet Planetary Health (2021)
² UNICEF (2021)



Climate action, powered by youth

Cities are at the forefront of climate change, and the key to addressing this global issue will be found within urban areas and by those who are impacted the most – youth.

With over **42%** of the global population under 25 years of age, youth represent a powerful force for change

With a focus on urbanization and human settlements, UN-Habitat works to build inclusive, safe, and resilient cities, which includes prioritizing climate action given its tremendous impact on life in urban settings.

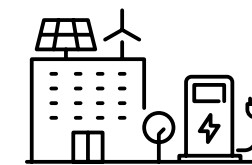
Central to this is the role of young people, who are at the frontlines of a global movement demanding action. With over

42 per cent of the global population under 25 years of age, youth represent a powerful force for change.

Young activists have made major strides in ensuring climate change is part of the global agenda, by calling on international organizations and governments to rethink and discuss climate-related policies.

A core aspect of youth activism has been mobilizing for change in urban areas and highlighting the links between urbanism and climate change. With over half of the world's population residing in urban areas, cities are major contributors to greenhouse gas emissions due to factors including transportation use and energy demands. At the same time, urban areas are highly vulnerable to climate change impacts such as extreme weather events. As a result, youth – who represent a significant portion of urban populations – are sounding the alarm on how climate change is shaping all aspects of life in urban areas.

Understanding how youth are directly impacted by climate change and sustainability issues is crucial to including this generation in the global agenda. Beyond activism, young people have demonstrated they are capable of taking direct action to create solutions



With **50%+** of the world's population residing in urban areas, cities are major contributors to greenhouse gas emissions due to factors including transportation use and energy demands

and most importantly, are willing to be part of the solution. For instance, **youth-led environmental programmes have mobilized close to half a million young people globally³**, implementing sustainability projects in schools and communities.

Young people are not just the leaders of tomorrow – they are leading today. Their activism, leadership, and transformative ideas are shaping climate action and helping build a more sustainable future. Youth-led initiatives have inspired young people globally to learn about, and take action on climate change. For example, the organization Fridays for Future was founded by activist Greta Thunberg when she was just 15 years old. Ms. Thunberg sat in front of the Swedish parliament every day for three weeks to protest against the lack of action on climate change. Her bold stance inspired children around the world to do the same – starting Fridays for Future protests everywhere from Kampala (Uganda) to Karachi (Pakistan).

The bold actions of youth around the world, whether through climate protests, starting sustainability initiatives at a community level, or participating in local environmental efforts, have shaped global discourse on climate action in recent years. Without youth, there is no climate movement. An inclusive, sustainable world involves youth leadership on climate matters.

With youth at the forefront of climate action, UN-Habitat recognizes that supporting their initiatives, investing in youth-driven climate action, and ensuring their voices are heard on the international agenda are crucial steps towards a more equitable world for future generations.

³ The Lancet Planetary Health (2021)

Urban October: An overview



Urban October is an opportunity for everyone to engage in discussions about the challenges and opportunities arising from the rapid transformation of cities and towns. Each October, individuals and organizations committed to sustainable urbanization, including national and local governments, universities, NGOs, and community groups, are encouraged to hold or participate in activities, events, and discussions. The month begins with World Habitat Day on the first Monday of October and concludes with World Cities Day on October 31.

The United Nation’s Agenda for Sustainable Development and Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 11 – “to make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable” – identifies sustainable urbanization as one of the key priorities for global development. However, the realization of SDG 11 is dependent on stakeholders at all levels harnessing their resources to address the challenges posed by urbanization.

UN-Habitat, as the UN agency responsible for sustainable urbanization, is at the forefront of helping cities achieve the vision of sustainable and equitable urban futures for all by exploring innovative financing solutions, tackling climate action through waste management, and “building back better” through urban planning in post-crisis urban recovery. This holistic framework that encourages the integration of all facets of sustainable development to promote equality, welfare, and shared prosperity is paved in the New Urban Agenda, which was adopted by the United Nations in 2016.

In 2024, Urban October events, including World Habitat Day and World Cities Day, embraced themes relating to youth engagement and participation in climate action and creating a better future. Inspired by youth around the world who are not only adversely impacted by climate changes, but who are also boldly leading the charge on sustainability efforts, Urban October 2024 was marked by youth

participation across a range of activities and events and discussions centred around recommendations by youth.

On 7 October 2024, the global observance of **World Habitat Day** was held under the theme “**Engaging youth to create a better urban future**”. As the world rapidly urbanizes, a significant portion of urban residents today are young people, particularly in some countries in Africa and Asia. The observance focused on

ways to involve the new generation in shaping their urban present and future through participatory processes and local leadership opportunities. A key highlight of the World Habitat Day global observance is the **UN-Habitat Scroll of Honour Award**, which recognizes outstanding contributions to sustainable urban development.

In 2024, **World Cities Day** was observed in Alexandria, Egypt, under the theme “**Youth leading climate and local action for cities**”. The event highlighted the role of youth in leading climate action within cities, showcasing innovative youth-led initiatives that promote urban sustainability and practical solutions for building climate-resilient cities. The discussions emphasized the importance of integrating youth perspectives into urban policies and strategies to advance meaningful local climate action.

The global observance of **World Habitat Day 2024** was broadcasted live on UN Web TV and Zoom: [Opening Ceremony - World Habitat Day 2024 \(Querétaro, Mexico\) | UN Web TV](#)

The global observance of **World Cities Day 2024** was streamed live on UN Web TV: [Opening Ceremony - World Cities Day 2024 \(Alexandria, Egypt\) | UN Web TV](#)

Global reach and accessibility



Worldwide, 130 cities in 71 countries hosted

193
Urban October events
in 2024, including World
Habitat Day and World Cities
Day.



The hashtag
#DíaMundialdelHabitat
(Spanish for “World
Habitat Day”) reached

24.3
million people.



Content from this year’s
global observances was
viewed over

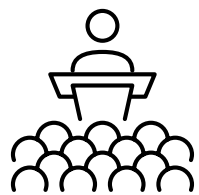
6,500
times across various
platforms within 24 hours,
including YouTube, X, and
UN Web TV.

Since 2020, global observance events have been held in a hybrid format (virtual and in-person), significantly expanding their reach and impact. These events were inclusive and accessible as the UN Web TV broadcasts featured International Sign Language interpretation and Zoom events included real-time captioning and translations into multiple languages. The World Habitat Day 2024 events were held in English, with simultaneous translation into Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian, and Spanish. The World Cities Day 2024 events were held in Arabic, Chinese, English, and French.





World Habitat Day



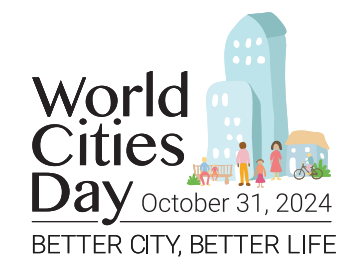
2,500+
participants from
88 countries, 288
cities

Designated by the United Nations, World Habitat Day is observed annually to reflect on the state of cities and human settlements, and to promote the right to adequate shelter. The programme included a high-level ceremony followed by two roundtables addressing youth-led initiatives in climate action and sustainable urban mobility.

In recognition of the youth at the helm of climate action, the 2024 World Habitat Day theme was “**Engaging youth to create a better urban future**”.

Date: 7 October 2024
Global observance of World Habitat Day 2024: Querétaro, Mexico
Total participants: 2,500+ from 88 countries, 288 cities

Co-organized by the State of Querétaro, the Municipality of Querétaro, and the Government of Mexico, the event took place in the Educational Cultural Center of the State of Querétaro.



Youth leading climate and
local action for cities

World Cities Day

60%
of people will live
in urban areas
by 2030, with up
to 60% of urban
dwellers under 18
years of age

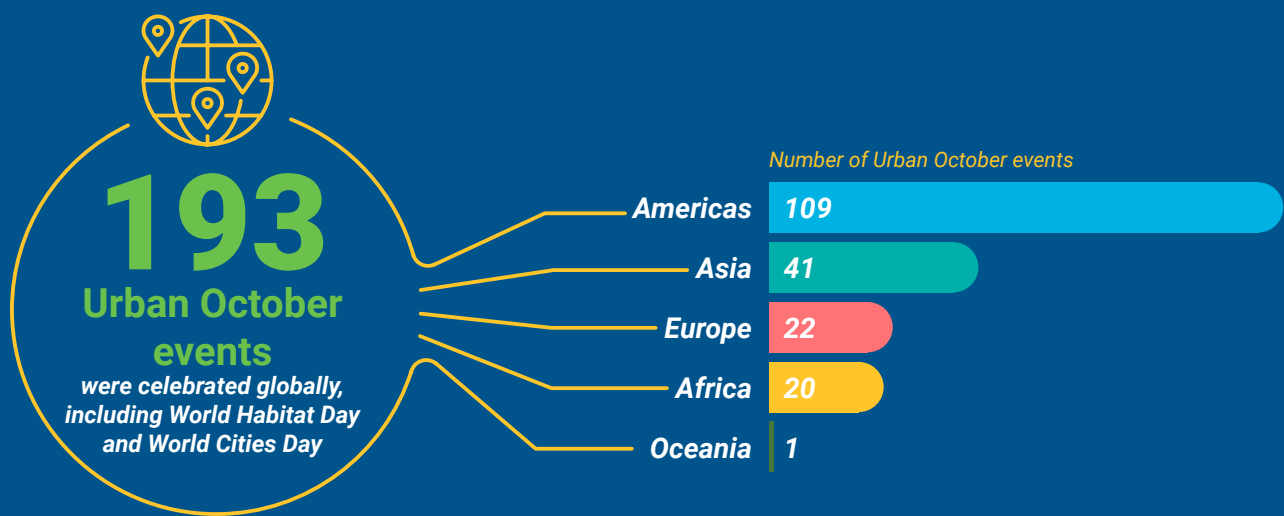
By 2030, an estimated 60 per cent of people will live in urban areas, with up to 60 per cent of urban dwellers under 18 years of age, exposing these populations to unprecedented challenges in the context of climate change. Despite progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals, cities – particularly in the Global South – continue to grapple with poverty, inequality, and environmental degradation, necessitating urgent action.

World Cities Day brings Urban October to an end on 31 October each year. As with World Habitat Day, a global observance is held in a different city each year and the day focuses on a specific theme.

The global observance of World Cities Day 2024 was held under the theme “**Youth climate changemakers: Catalyzing local action for urban sustainability**”. The event highlighted the key role of local governments and young people in addressing the climate crisis in cities.



Urban October 2024 in numbers



130
cities
hosted events



38
World Cities Day
events



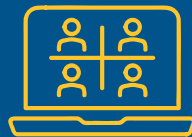
26
events hosted
at World Habitat Day



2,500+
participants from 88 countries
joined World Habitat Day 2024 celebrations



3,000+
participants attended
the global observance of World
Cities Day 2024, from
214 cities in 55 countries



18,000
online viewers
tuned in as part of the global
observance of World Cities Day
and World Habitat Day



127
nominations received
for the UN-Habitat Scroll of
Honour Award 2024



5
winners selected
for the UN-Habitat Scroll of
Honour Award 2024



192
worldwide initiatives
recognized
in the UN-Habitat Scroll of
Honour Award award over a 30+
year period



Urban October 2024 recommendations

Cities are shaping our present and future, but as they grow, they are confronted with challenges of providing basic services for urban populations. By 2050, one in three young people worldwide will be African, with a significant and growing percentage living in cities. Below are some of the main challenges and recommendations discussed during Urban October 2024.

The challenges:


- As cities expand, they face increasing challenges in providing infrastructure and essential services such as adequate housing, water, sanitation, education, security, and jobs.
- Climate change impacts cities and vulnerable youth through:
 - More frequent extreme weather events
 - Food and water insecurity
 - Escalation of climate-related health issues
 - Displacement due to extreme weather events
 - Psychological impacts and climate anxiety

The recommendations:


1. **Localize the SDGs.** The path to accelerating the achievement of the SDGs is through localization. This enables local governments, in partnership with youth and communities, to be catalysts for change.
2. **Invest in urban youth.** With many young people living in informal settlements and slums, cities should train youth and support youth-led enterprises through targeted programmes to enhance their skills. Strengthening these youth-led enterprises can create livelihoods and boost local economies, helping young people lift their communities out of poverty.
3. **Engage youth in urban governance.** Youth are increasingly recognized as key evidence-builders, contributing valuable data and solutions that drive innovative urban development. Involving youth in local governance through initiatives such as Youth 2030 Cities and the Young Gamechangers Initiative is essential for advancing the localization of the SDGs by empowering them to participate in urban planning and decision-making.
4. **Prioritize affordable housing development.** National and local governments must prioritize the development of affordable housing, ensuring that all urban residents, particularly youth and marginalized communities, have access to safe, adequate, and affordable living conditions.
5. **Increase digital access.** Investment in digital infrastructure is crucial to bridging the digital divide in urban areas. Policies should focus on improving access to ICT for all to ensure equal opportunities for education and employment.
6. **Adapt essential services for vulnerable youth.** With 2.6 million people in Africa affected by climate disasters, especially in informal settlements and slums, governments must prioritize adapting essential services like water, sanitation, and health systems to protect their well-being.

World Habitat Day 2024

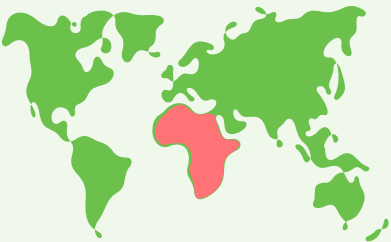
Important information



50%+
of the world lives in cities today. This figure is expected to rise to **70% by 2050**



Developing countries are home to **85%** of the world's youth



In Africa, **50%+** of the population is under 25, and youth make up 80% of the unemployed

Global observance 2024

On 7 October 2024, UN-Habitat invited everyone interested in sustainable urban development to join the global observance of World Habitat Day, under the theme “Engaging youth to create a better urban future”. The event, held in Querétaro, Mexico, focused on empowering youth to take the lead in shaping their urban present and future through participatory processes and local leadership.



“This World Habitat Day, we celebrate you – the young, the brave, and the changemakers of today and tomorrow. You are the heartbeat of our cities, the force driving us toward a better future.”

Ms. Anacláudia Roszbach,
UN-Habitat Executive Director



“As we celebrate World Habitat Day, let us support youth everywhere, include young people in decision-making, and build cities where people of all ages can thrive.”

António Guterres,
United Nations Secretary-General



World Habitat Day roundtables

World Habitat Day 2024 included two roundtable discussions that brought together key stakeholders to emphasize the pivotal role of youth tackling climate change challenges in urban environments and promoting sustainable practices.

Roundtable 1

Youth power: Leading the charge against climate change

During this roundtable, speakers discussed the essential elements needed to empower youth leadership in climate advocacy and decision-making, including education and leveraging technology. Youth activism in marginalized communities was highlighted as a crucial factor in enabling young people to become agents of change. Speakers also reflected on strategies to prioritize achieving the SDGs within the six years remaining until 2030. These strategies included the need for data-driven decision-making and economic action plans that prioritize both people and the environment.

Recommendations that emerged from the discussion:

- 1. Commit to green infrastructure.** By integrating nature-based solutions and sustainable transportation into urban planning, cities can demonstrate their commitment to green infrastructure in urban development, which enhances climate resilience, supports long-term environmental sustainability, and enhances overall quality of life for residents.
- 2. Engage stakeholders.** By increasing collaboration among diverse stakeholders, cities can ensure effective urban planning and development that is inclusive and responds to the diverse needs of various populations living and working in urban settings.
- 3. Empower communities and engage youth.** Sustainable, long-term change can be achieved through community-led and youth-led initiatives. All stakeholders working towards achieving sustainable, climate-adaptive cities should work closely with youth and communities to understand their needs and equip them as they implement local solutions.



“When you teach a child, a girl, a boy or adolescent, about climate change and sustainability, there is a very interesting phenomenon, because those children, these adolescents, they teach their parents, they teach their uncles or grandparents or siblings.”

Mr. Luis Antonio Ramírez García,
Coordinator for the Latin America and the Caribbean Agenda, UN-Habitat, Mexico

Roundtable 2

Moving forward: Youth-driven solutions for sustainable urban mobility

The primary objective was to highlight the essential role of young people in promoting innovative solutions to enhance urban mobility, reduce private car dependency, and lower CO2 emissions, ultimately creating more sustainable and accessible urban environments.



“We need to start designing the cities we want to live in.”

Mr. Pablo Marín Escobar,
Founder and CEO, Pluralio, Mexico

Recommendations that emerged from the discussion:

- 1. Engage youth in urban planning.** Governments, civil society organizations, and other stakeholders should focus on the role of youth shaping urban policies and planning, recognizing their ability to contribute innovative ideas and fresh perspectives to improve urban living conditions.
- 2. Collaborate through public-private partnerships.** Promoting partnerships between the public and private sectors can facilitate urban expansion and address housing shortages, while ensuring the effective integration of transportation systems into urban planning.
- 3. Embrace technology for urban development.** Technology can be used to enhance the quality of life in urban settings, including enhancing communication between governments and the public, streamlining urban planning processes, delivering remote education and telemedicine, and improving transportation efficiency. Governments should consider how to maximize existing technology so it can advance urban development goals.

Youth dialogue session

Creating a better urban future

The objective of the *Youth dialogue: Creating a better urban future* was to explore various approaches, practices, and impactful stories that highlight the effective participation of young people in local-level decision-making. The session emphasized that providing young people with access to such opportunities is crucial for shaping both the present and future of our cities. It ensures that urban life remains sustainable, inclusive, and responsive to the needs of children, youth, and young adults.

“International cooperation needs spaces for young persons not as observers but as actors... Youth voices must be tangible in public policy.”

Mr. César Enrique Calvo Aspiros,
Youth Ambassador, Querétaro, Mexico





Scroll of Honour Award 2024

The UN-Habitat Scroll of Honour Award, launched in 1989, is one of the most prestigious human settlements awards in the world. It aims to recognize initiatives that have made outstanding contributions to improving human settlements, providing housing, addressing the challenges faced by people living in poverty or displacement, and enhancing the quality of urban life. The Award aligns with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly emphasizing **Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities**.

The Award is presented during the Global observance of World Habitat Day, a day designated by the United Nations to remind the global community of our collective responsibility to reflect on the state of our cities and towns and to shape their future.

In 2024, UN-Habitat received 127 nominations from across Africa, Asia, Europe, the Americas, and Oceania. Five winners were recognized for embodying best practices and innovative approaches **contributing to sustainable cities and communities**.

Winners of the 2024 UN-Habitat Scroll of Honour Award:

- **Ville de Rabat from the Kingdom of Morocco**, for its pioneering approach to integrated and sustainable urban development, exemplified by its “Rabat a Sustainable and Inclusive City” vision.
- **Alcaldía de Santiago de Cali, from Cali, Colombia**, for addressing urban and housing challenges by transforming public spaces, legalizing informal settlements, and promoting sustainable development.
- **Majlis Bandaraya Ipoh from Ipoh Perak, Malaysia**, for its efforts to transition the city from a resource-intensive economy to a regenerative model focused on health, waste management, and ecotourism, while aligning with the Sustainable Development Goals.
- **Allen Kong from Ocean Grove, Australia**, for his pioneering work in socially and environmentally sustainable architecture, mentorship, and leadership in inclusive design through global programmes and indigenous advocacy.
- **David Satterthwaite from London, United Kingdom**, for revolutionizing urban development by advocating for improved housing and living conditions for marginalized urban residents.

Case study

Advancing urban development and social housing initiatives in Colombia

The Municipality of Santiago de Cali, through its Secretariat of Social Housing and Habitat, leads efforts in urban development and social housing, guided by the MIHabitat policy. The programme focuses on legalizing informal settlements, urban renewal, and enhancing public spaces. Projects such as the “Bulevar de Oriente” have improved the quality of life for over 300,000 residents by transforming underdeveloped areas into more functional and accessible urban spaces.

With over 40 per cent of Cali’s population living in precarious conditions, the MIHabitat programme addresses the challenges of informal settlements and relocates families from high-risk areas. Initiatives around the Pondaje and Charco Azul lagoons combine housing reforms with public space improvements, fostering social cohesion and promoting environmental sustainability.



“Receiving this award reflects the joint effort of the Cali Mayor’s Office and the communities to make our city a more inclusive and sustainable place.”

Ms. Maria Del Mar Mozo Muriel,
Secretary of Social Housing and Habitat, Cali, Colombia



Cali, Valle del Cauca, Colombia © Shutterstock

World Cities Day 2024

World Cities Day 2024 served as a call to action for youth and local governments to collaborate in addressing the climate crisis. As climate change challenges increase, especially in rapidly growing cities, the event emphasized the critical role of youth in driving urban adaptation and building climate resilience.



Cities produce over **80%** of the global GDP, with urbanization linked to higher GDP per capita



With **2.6 million people** in Africa impacted by climate disasters, governments must adapt essential services to safeguard those in informal settlements

“By empowering young people, we can accelerate climate action and drive global progress for the Sustainable Development Goals.”



Mr. Antonio Guterres,
United Nations Secretary-General

Roundtable 1

Public-Private sector panel dialogue

This discussion emphasized the importance of centralized decision-making frameworks that involve civil society, youth, and the private sector. It also advocated for decentralized governance to encourage local solutions for climate adaptation. Participants called for increased funding and multi-sectoral partnerships to support climate initiatives at the local level.



“We need strategies that not only adapt to climatic changes but also bring every sector – civil society, youth, and the private sector – on board for sustainable impact.”

Mr. Hesham El-Helbawy,
Assistant Minister of Local Development in Upper Egypt

Roundtable 2

Youth panel dialogue discussion on climate and cities

This discussion highlighted the crucial role of youth in driving climate action within urban settings. It provided a platform to share best practices and advocate for next steps to transform ideas into tangible outcomes. The roundtable inspired collaborative, youth-centred approaches across multiple sectors.



“Empowered youth are the architects of solutions and the heart of resilient urban societies.”

Ms. Sarah Syed,
UN-Habitat Youth Advisor, Canada



Championing climate action in Africa

UN-Habitat, together with Cities Alliance and UNOPS, organized a campaign on African youth championing climate action for World Cities Day. It included a series of videos, online articles, and social media posts featuring youth activists, and an op-ed written by the regional directors from the three organizations which highlighted solutions-oriented action taken by young climate activists.

Urban October Speakers

Global Observance of World Cities Day 2024

Alexandria, Egypt

- Manal Awad, Minister of Local Development of Egypt
- Hesham El-Helbawy, Assistant Minister of Local Development, Egypt
- Ni Hong, Minister of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of China
- Ahmed Khaled, Governor of Alexandria
- Mostafa Madbouly, Prime Minister of Egypt
- Elena Panova, United Nations Resident Coordinator in Egypt
- Felipe Paullier, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Youth Affairs
- Anacláudia Roszbach, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN-Habitat
- Ahmed Zayed, Director, Bibliotheca Alexandrina

Global Observance of World Habitat Day 2024

Queretaro, Mexico

- Fernando Carrera Castro, Representative of the United Nations Children's Fund in Mexico
- Fernando González Salinas, Secretary of Urban Development and Public Works, Government of the State of Queretaro
- Mauricio Kuri González, Governor of the State of Queretaro
- Peter Grohmann, Resident Coordinator of the UN System in Mexico
- Virginia Hernández Vázquez, Youth Secretary, Government of the State of Queretaro
- Felipe Fernando Macías Olvera, President of the Municipality of Queretaro
- Anacláudia Roszbach, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN-Habitat
- Enrique Javier Ochoa Martínez, Undersecretary of Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico
- Edna Elena Vega Ragel, Minister of Agrarian, Territorial and Urban Development

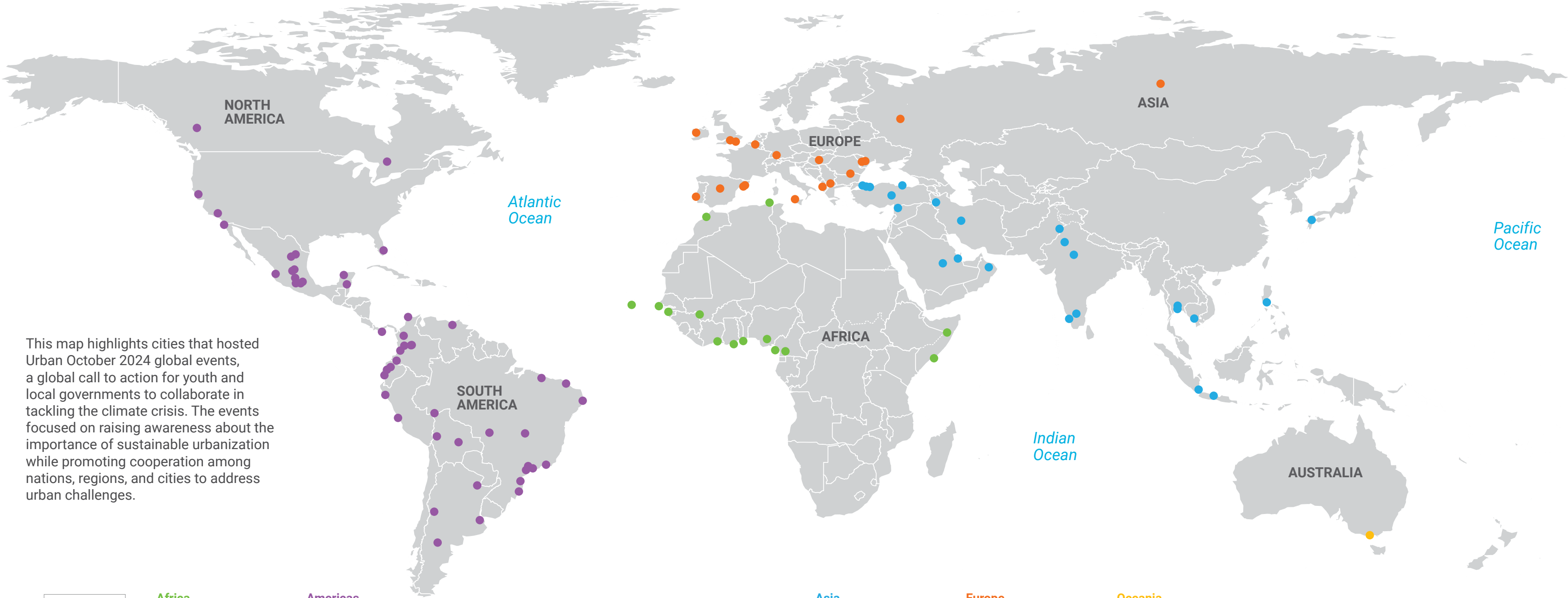
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For me, quality of life [includes] access to health services, basic education, and decent transportation where not only safe and planned communities are built, but where social inclusion is emphasized and above all, care for the environment is prioritized.”

Hazael Castellanos,
Age 21



Urban October 2024 global events



This map highlights cities that hosted Urban October 2024 global events, a global call to action for youth and local governments to collaborate in tackling the climate crisis. The events focused on raising awareness about the importance of sustainable urbanization while promoting cooperation among nations, regions, and cities to address urban challenges.

- Africa
- Americas
- Asia
- Europe
- Oceania

Africa

- Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire
- Accra, Ghana
- Annaba, Algeria
- Bamako, Mali
- Bargny, Senegal
- Buea, Cameroon
- Comé, Benin
- Dakar, Senegal
- Garowe, Somalia
- Mogadishu, Somalia
- Nsukka, Nigeria
- Praia, Cape Verde
- Rabat, Morocco
- Sao Domingos/Mansoa, Guinea-Bissau
- Yaoundé, Cameroon

Americas

- Arcadia, United States
- Armenia, Colombia
- Barranquilla, Colombia
- Bogotá, Colombia
- Brasília, Brazil
- Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Burnaby, Canada
- Cali, Colombia
- Chía, Colombia
- Ciudad de México, México
- Cobija, Bolivia
- Cuenca, Ecuador
- Criciúma, Brazil
- Cuiabá, Brazil
- Ecatepec de Morelos, Mexico
- Ensenada, Mexico
- Estado de Mexico, Mexico
- Formosa, Argentina
- Fortaleza, Brazil
- Guayaquil, Ecuador
- Honolulu, United States
- Itu, Brazil
- Jaraguá do Sul, Brazil
- Lake Worth, United States
- La Paz, Bolivia
- Lambayeque, Peru
- Lima, Peru
- Mendoza, Argentina
- Mérida, Mexico
- Mexico City, Mexico
- Monterrey, Mexico
- Neuquén, Argentina
- Panamá, Panama
- Pasto, Colombia
- Puerto La Cruz, Venezuela
- Querétaro, Mexico
- Quintana Roo, Mexico
- Quito, Ecuador
- Recife, Brazil
- Resistencia, Argentina
- Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- Saltillo, Mexico
- San Francisco, United States
- San Luis Potosí, Mexico
- Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia
- Sabanalarga, Colombia
- São Paulo, Brazil
- São Caetano do Sul, Brazil
- Tapiraí, Brazil
- Tepic, Mexico
- Toronto, Canada

Asia

- Avçılar, Türkiye
- Bangkok, Thailand
- Bengaluru, India
- Budaiya, Bahrain
- Calicut, India
- Delhi, India
- Fukuoka, Japan
- Istanbul, Türkiye
- Jakarta, Indonesia
- Kayseri, Türkiye
- Lahore, Pakistan
- Manama, Bahrain
- Muscat, Oman
- New Delhi, India
- Ordu, Türkiye
- Pathum Thani, Thailand
- Phnom Penh, Cambodia
- Quezon City, Philippines
- Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- Sakarya, Türkiye
- Tehran, Iran
- Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Europe

- Barcelona, Spain
- Bucharest, Romania
- Budapest, Hungary
- Brussels, Belgium
- Chişinău, Moldova
- Criuleni, Moldova
- Galway, Ireland
- Lisbon, Portugal
- London, United Kingdom
- Madrid, Spain
- Moscow, Russia
- Oxford, United Kingdom
- Palermo, Italy
- Reutlingen, Germany
- Skopje, North Macedonia
- Tirana, Albania
- Vilafranca del Penedès, Spain

Oceania

- Melbourne, Australia



For a full list of all the events that took place during Urban October 2024, use the QR code.

*Any reference to Kosovo in United Nations documents and United Nations websites, whether to the territory, institutions or population, is to be understood in full compliance with Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo. Kosovo is therefore not listed as a country.

**The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations. Final boundary between the Republic of Sudan and the Republic of South Sudan has not yet been determined. Final status of the Abyei area is not yet determined.

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