



Crises in cities and cities in crisis: towards a collaborative urban response

Location: Mary Ward House, 5-7 Tavistock Place, Bloomsbury, London WC1H 9SN

Parallel sessions stream A: Brewer & Smith Room

Parallel sessions stream B: Voysey Room

Event agenda

Day 1	Wednesday 15 November	
0930-1000	Arrivals and registration	
1000-1200	Welcome and introductions Plenary discussion: overarching global frameworks shaping urban response Ewen MacLeod, UNHCR Lucy Earle, DFID Lina Liakou, 100 Resilient Cities Alyoscia D'Onofrio, IRC (facilitator)	
1200-1300	Lunch	
1300-1430	Parallel 1a - City as an opportunity - building partnerships with local actors	Parallel 1b – Protection and empowerment
1430-1500	Coffee break	
1500-1630	Parallel 2a – Data for more effective urban response	Parallel 2b – Responses in conflict-affected contexts
1630-1645	Brief break	
1645-1800	Plenary discussion: perspectives from government Dr Jennifer Musisi, Kampala Capital City Authority, Uganda Mr Francis Kabia, Ministry of Social Welfare, Gender and Children's Affairs, Sierra Leone Dr Arch Mahad Jama, Banadir Authority, Somalia	
1800-2000	Launch of <i>Environment and Urbanization</i> special issue Evening reception	

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Day 2		Thursday 16 November	
0900-0915	Introductory remarks and summary of previous day		
0915-1045	Parallel 3a – From crisis to community resilience	Parallel 3b – Area based approaches – the way forward?	
1045-1115	Coffee break		
1115-1215	<i>Plenary discussion: research and learning in humanitarian practice – and the Urban Crises Learning Partnership</i> Andrew Norton, IIED Cathrine Brun, CENDEP, Larissa Pelham, Oxfam John Twigg, ODI Helen Stawski, IRC (facilitator)		
1215-1330	Lunch		
1330-1500	Parallel 4a – Urban integration through livelihoods	Parallel 4b – Urban resilience through crisis response	
1500-1600	<i>Closing plenary: reflections from the conference and looking ahead</i> Garima Jain, IIHS Samer Saliba, IRC David Dodman, IIED		
1600-1630	Coffee break and departures		

Parallel session outlines

Parallel session 1 – Wednesday 15 November, 1-2.30pm			
Session 1a: City as an opportunity - building partnerships with local actors – Harriette Purchas, RedR UK		Session 1b: Protection and empowerment – Julia St John, IRC	
Hanzade Germiyanolu, Support to Life	Leveraging Advocacy for Efficient Urban Humanitarian Response; Allying with the Unconventional; the State	Nourhan Abdel Aziz, American University Cairo	Hidden refugees in Egypt and their protection
Anne Burlat, Groupe URD	What role can humanitarian actors play in an urban crisis – the case of Bangui	Joseph McCarthy, SLURC	Empowerment outcomes of Urban Humanitarian Responses
Yara Mourad, Issam Fares Institute	The collaboration mechanisms in addressing the Syrian refugee crisis in urban settings in Lebanon	Mr Francis Kabia, Ministry of Welfare, Sierra Leone	The disaster response in Freetown
Tilly Alcayna, Futureproof	An assessment of collaboration between local and humanitarian actors in Colombia, South Sudan and the Philippines	Sharif Ismail, Syrian Public Health Network	Rebuilding health workforces in crisis: Syrian health workers in Lebanon

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Parallel session 2 – Wednesday 15 November, 3-4.30pm			
Session 2a: Data for more effective urban response - David Dodman, IIED		Session 2b: Response in conflict-affected contexts – Marcus Skinner, IRC	
Bina Desai, IDMC	Urban displacement monitoring	Chas Morrison, Coventry University	Civilian Protection in Urban Sieges- capacities and practices of first responders: A cross-country analysis in Aleppo, Syria
Tom Muller, What 3 Words	What 3 Words for emergency response	Saagarika Dadu Brown, independent	Exploring the nexus between humanitarian and development goals during on-going conflict in Aleppo
Yvonne Su, University of Guelph	The Remittance Gap: Lessons for Urban Disaster Recovery in the Context of Typhoon Haiyan	Markus Geisser, ICRC	Sustainable urban development during armed conflict and chronic urban violence
		Peter Mackie, Cardiff University	Informal economies, conflict recovery and absent aid: the case of Somaliland
		Ammar Azzouz, ARUP	Everyday urban resilience in Homs (Syria) at the time of crisis

Parallel session 3 – Thursday 16 November, 9.15-10.45am			
Session 3a:- From crisis to community resilience – Diane Archer, IIED		Session 3b: Area based approaches - the way forward? – Richard Luff	
Lajana Mandahar, Lumanti Support Group for Shelter	Rising from the rubble: Learning from Rebuilding Lives and Homes in Nepal	James Schell, IMPACT	Operationalising ABAs to assessments, coordination and response implementation in cities in crisis
Oxfam Bangladesh	Earthquake simulation in Dhaka – lessons from process	David Smith, NTNU	Policy lessons for building marketplace resilience for petty traders and low-income consumers in Port-au-Prince.
Garima Jain, IIHS	Implications of humanitarian responses in the long-term: Case of Chennai	Loan Diep, UCL	Water programming in the MENA region
Wale Osofian, IRC	The “Rakhine Early Recovery Activity” (RERA) project	Leah Campbell, ALNAP	How humanitarians choose an area and define its boundaries
		Maggie Stephenson, independent	Haiti Urban Response: Learning from Community Planning

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Parallel session 4 – Thursday 16 November, 1.30-3.00pm			
Session 4a: Urban integration through livelihoods – Aline Rabhany, World Vision		Session 4b: Urban resilience through crisis response - Samer Saliba, IRC	
Andrea Rigon, DPU	Refugee Self-Reliance and Humanitarian Action in Urban Markets	Sachin Bhoite, ARUP	Resilience as an outcome of urban crises
Anubhav Tiwari, OP Jindal University	Refugee (self-)support in the city: Exploring where humanitarian norms meet development needs. A New Delhi case study.	Nicholas Taylor, Working for Cities	Two sides of the same coin? Driving resilience through coordinating relief and urban logistics in Asian cities
William Monteith, Queen Mary University	Refugee and IDP participation in local markets in urban Uganda	Innocent Silver, Kampala City	The case of Kampala city
Alison Brown, Cardiff University	Urban Refugee Economies in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Konstantina Karydi, 100 RC	100 Resilient Cities

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