Global Platform for Right to the City Asia Regional Meeting II

Surabaya, Indonesia, 22-23 July 2016

Place:

SANTIKA PREMIERE GUBENG HOTEL SURABAYA

PROPOSED AGENDA

Friday, 22 July 2016

8:30-9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00-9:15 a.m. Welcome and general introduction

Meeting agenda and methodology, participants, expected outcomes -15'

Speaker: Ahmad Rifai (Kota Kita Foundation)

9:15-10:45 a.m. Plenary Session I: Introduction to the Right to the City concept and to the GPR2C

Points to be addressed:

- * What does the Right to the City mean? Connecting the R2C with the human rights already existing and relevant to the habitat contexts inventorying the existing human rights and how the R2C fills a gap in regular approaches to human rights and corresponding state obligations 15'
- * What's the concept, principles and the strategic components of the Right to the City from the current GPR2C perspective? -15'
- * GPR2C background information and work done so far 10'
- * Challenges and limitations of the Platform's approach 15'
- * Lessons learned so far African and European Meetings 20'
- * Questions & answers -40' in total

Moderators: Ahmad Rifai (Kota Kita Foundation)

Speakers: Joseph Schechla (HIC-HLRN) and Nelson Saule Jr. (Polis Institute)

10:45-11:00 a.m. Coffee-Tea break

11:00-13:00 a.m. Plenary Session II: Perspectives of Right to the City in the Asia Region – why it can't be a "one-size-fits-all" concept

- * Does it make sense to talk about the Right to the City in Asia? Does the R2C concept relates to Asia reality? Broadening the scope of the R2C and making it more inclusive and relevant to the Asian region -15'
- * How to connect and dialogue with the different concepts, approaches and initiatives already existing in Asia: Human Rights Cities, urban rights, rights of cities, Human Rights Habitat, HR and local government, etc.? 20'

* Debate – open floor – 60'

Moderators: Lena Simet (The New School)

Speakers: Shivani Chaudhry (HIC-HLRN), Rita Padawangi (Asia Research Institute) and Indu Prakash Singh (ActionAid)

13:00-14:00 p.m. Lunch



14:00-16:30 p.m. Working groups I: The Right to the City in the Asia region

Definition and introduction of the working groups (themes, participants, moderators and rapporteurs, questions for debate) -15'

Based on the questions and comments raised by the previous panel, the working groups will try to deepen the following questions

* What are the main elements/components of the R2C from an Asia perspective?

* How the R2C connects with the different struggles for the realization of Human Rights in Asia?

* What are the main challenges for the Right to the City implementation in Asia? What are the main struggles?

16:30-16:45 p.m. Coffee-Tea break

16:45-18:15 p.m. Plenary Session III: The Right to the City in the Asia region

Presentation from the Rapporteurs of the working groups — 10'each

Debate on the groups analysis and conclusions - 50'

Moderators: Kayan Nadem Cunanan (Urban Poor Resource Centre - TBC) and Varghese

Theckanath (Montfort Social Institute)

Saturday, 23 July 2016

9:00-9:15 a.m. Plenary: Recap from day 1 and agenda for the day

Moderators: Ahmad Rifai (Kota Kita Foundation)

9:15 -11:15 a.m. Working groups II: The Right to the City - An Asian Action Plan (Part II)

Definition and introduction of the working groups (themes, participants, moderators and rapporteurs, questions for debate) -15

Perspectives, initiatives and proposals from social movements, civil society organizations, international networks, academics, local governments

* How to build a solidary and democratic city? What do we need to advance the R2C in the region?

* Are there initiatives regarding the Right to the City implementation in the region? Which articulations, dialogues, actions?

* Proposing common strategies & main actions (incl. advocacy, mobilization and networking, research and capacity-building, communication).

11:15-11:30 a.m. Coffee-Tea break

11:30-13:30 a.m. Plenary Session IV: The Right to the City - An Asian Action Plan (Part II)

Presentation from the Rapporteurs of the working groups — 10'each

Debate on common strategies, main actions (advocacy, mobilization and networking,

research and capacity-building, communication) -80°

Moderators: Chandan Kumar (ActionAid) and Somsook Boonyabancha (Asian Coalition for

Housing Rights - TBC)

13:30-14:30 p.m. Lunch





14:30-17:00 p.m.

Plenary Session V: The Right to the City – the needed human rights approach for a New Habitat Agenda coming from Habitat III

Some topics to be addressed:

- * Evaluation & discussion on the Habitat III process why a New **HABITAT** Agenda instead of a New **URBAN** Agenda? -15'
- * Our concerns/expectations for the New Agenda how to push the Right to the City and a Human Rights Framework into the Agenda? 15'
- * Common action during PrepCom 3 and until Habitat III Conference (advocacy, roles, strategies) 30'
- * People's Alternative Social Forum & other related events (Quito, October 2016) 15'
- * Debate open floor 75'

Moderator: Shivani Chaudhry (HIC-HLRN)

Speakers: Yen Tung-Lin (Taiwan Alliance of Anti-Forced Eviction), Fides Bagasao (Huairou Commission), Pilar Balbuena (WIEGO) e Hirotaka Koike (UN Children Youth - TBC)

17:00-17:30 p.m.

General evaluation and closure

* What lessons do we take from our meeting?

Moderators: Nelson Saule Jr. (Polis Institute) and John Taylor (Kota Kita Foundation)

