

Nairobi, 1 April 2015

Dear Mr. Pradeep Mohapatra,

**Participation as Observer at the Twenty-fifth Session of the
Governing Council of UN-Habitat**

Following my letter dated 19 January 2015 inviting your organization to participate as an Observer at the Twenty-fifth Session of the Governing Council (GC25) of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), which will be held at the headquarters of UN-Habitat in Nairobi, Kenya, from 17 to 23 April 2015, I have the pleasure to forward to you a copy of the “Notification by the Executive Director”, which contains the provisional agenda, organizational structure and timetable for the GC25.

I would like to draw your attention specifically to paragraph 8, which outlines the Dialogue on the special theme on human settlements and the two sub-themes of the Dialogue. Additionally, Annex IV, paragraphs 8 to 15, also contain further information on partner engagement in the high level segment and the dialogue, which will take place during the plenary session on 21 April 2015 in the morning and afternoon.

In addition to each representative of your organization registering as a participant at www.unhabitat.org/gc25, please submit a full list of the representatives of your organization by 7 April 2015, if not already submitted. Online registration for GC25 will close on 8 April and we encourage participants to get registered by that date. On-site registration will also be available starting from 14 April, 2015 at the United Nations complex at Gigiri.

Kindly note that in order to be granted access to the United Nations complex, you will be required to present your formal identification and proof of your organization's accreditation status (either consultative with ECOSOC, accredited to Habitat II, or a copy of ad-hoc accreditation for GC25). You are also encouraged to bring a copy of your online registration confirmation.

Pradeep Mohapatra
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In order to encourage active participation in the discussions of this session of the Governing Council by accredited local authorities and other Habitat Agenda partners, note that arrangements have been made for organizations interested in making oral statements on relevant agenda items within their respective areas of competence to apply online starting from 6 April 2015, on the GC25 website www.unhabitat.org/gc25.

I look forward to meeting and welcoming you to the UN-Habitat headquarters in Nairobi.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joan Clos', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dr. Joan Clos
Under-Secretary-General and
Executive Director

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