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Associations of Inhabitants

The Inhabitants Associations & Local authorities
towards Quito

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Panel

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Rapporteur: Mike DAVIES, Coordinator
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Speakers:

Victoria OHAERI, Executive Director,
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Soha BEN SLAMA, Coordinator Tunisia,
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Massa KONE, NOVOX, Mali

Muziwakhe NDLALOSE, Deputy
president, Abahlali baseMjondolo (AbM),
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Edward MOLOPI, Research and
Advocacy officer, Socio-economic Rights
Institute (SERI), South Africa

Sheila MAGARA, National community
leader, Zimbabwe Homeless People's
Federation, Zimbabwe

Program 3 hour session:

1 hour - presentations from panellists

90 minutes – Debates and Assessment of
the Recommendations of the Inhabitants
Africities VI Dakar, 05 December 2012

30 minutes - Development of
Recommendations for the Political
Sessions

The session will bring together representatives of social movements, NGOs, elected officials and local government officials to discuss the promotion of dialogue between the parties as a concrete contribution to shape an agenda for the Future of Africa with the People, as well as a regional contribution to the World Urban Social Forum and Habitat III in Quito, in 2016.

The session is grounded in the context of the Recommendations developed by the inhabitants session at AFRICITIES VI, referred to local authorities, the National Governments of Africa, the International Development Partners, and the UCLG-A, to recognize the role of and support the associations and networks of inhabitants, encouraging community-led initiatives and participatory and inclusive urban planning, prioritising the needs of the poorest residents in development, defending the rights of all inhabitants to security of tenure and to dignity, by alternative policies and tools (eg., a multi-actor Advisory Group to monitor and assess local authorities, inhabitants organisations and other stakeholders in order to prevent forced evictions)

Objectives:

- Strengthen the convergence, the voice and the impact of local associations of inhabitants from poor and marginalized urban neighbourhoods facing the impact of neo-liberalism in the continent in the development of housing policies and urban planning based on human rights and the protection of the environment and the redistribution of resources, in particular, towards the World Urban Social Forum and Habitat III in Quito, in 2016.
- Jointly evaluate the recommendations of the 2012 Africities Session and whether or not any of these recommendations have been adopted by local and/or national governments, or international development partners.
- Identify local authorities to engage in a policy debate regarding Habitat III and the WUSF within the context of human rights, the defence of the commons, the equitable redistribution of resources, and our responsibility towards future generations, and especially the need for alternative paradigms to the destructive policies of neo-liberalism and neo-colonialism.