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IHS NEWSLETTER APRIL 2010

'Making Cities Work'

Dear Ms. Sarah Steendam,

Spring greetings from Rotterdam. We are happy to send you the second edition of the IHS e-newsletter featuring the World Urban Forum V which recently took place in Rio de Janeiro and some other IHS news.

IHS e-newsletter editorial committee
(Sharon Welsh, Saskia Ruijsink, Ellen Geurts, Alonso Ayala, Cocky Adams, Yicheng Guo, Sarah Steendam)

Urban professionals

World Urban Forum V in Rio de Janeiro "The Right to the City- Bridging the Urban Divide"

The World Urban Forum was established by UN-HABITAT to examine the issue of rapid urbanization and its impact on communities, cities, economies and policies. See World Urban Forum Brochure.

Training
"Training is key to urban development; about the growing significance of urban management training": The 'World Urban Forum Daily' posted an interview with Carley Pennink (IHS, head of Advisory Services). At their press conference, IHS and UN-HABITAT announced to be looking forward to make innovative training courses and tools for urban management accessible for Brazilians. IHS is working together with IHS Alumni and is currently looking for Brazilian partners.

Training events with the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy and UN-HABITAT: "EQUIURBE, achieving equitable distribution of costs and benefits", and "Towards Preventive Housing Policies to Mitigate Informality". IHS staff Carlos Morales-Schechinger is looking forward to the summer course on the same topics

Networking & Research
IHS actively participated in the networking event and book launch 'count

COURSE AGENDA

MAY
Urban Management Tools for Climate Change (UMTCC)

Short Course, 2010

JUNE
Making Housing Affordable For All (MHAA)

Short Course, 2010

Preparing Bankable Public Private Partnership Projects (PPP)

Executive Course, 2010

me in for planning my city' by the Community Organizations Development Institute (CODI) and "the right to adequate housing: tools for succesful urbanization" that was organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and UN-HABITAT. In the latter event IHS staff Maartje van Eerd presented the interim findings of a scoping study on Evictions, Acquisition, Expropriation and Compensation that IHS is currently working on.

Other

IHS Alumni International (IHSAI) was launched during a large international alumni meeting assembling more than 90 IHS alumni at the biannual IHS International Alumni Meeting. Read about the other activities IHS engaged in at WUF V

Conference news

IHS is located in Rotterdam, a city that actively engages in worldwide city platforms and aims to be the World Capital of CO_2- free energy. In February Rotterdam hosted the WACAP, the 7th Forum of the World Alliance of Cities Against Poverty in which IHS students participated. IHS is a partner institute of the Municipality of Rotterdam.

Education, Research & Advisory

IHS Education

A range of new courses will be offered in 2011. Among the courses is Urban Management Tools for Climate Change, a joint course with UN-HABITAT, of which the first edition is about to start in May.

IHS Research

IHS and the Tilburg School of Politics and Public Administration based at the Tilburg University are currently undertaking a research project titled 'Urban Democracy and the Quest for Good Governance in the City'. The aim of the project is to investigate the essential characteristics of good governance systems at city level by exploring and analysing six international cases. For further information please contact Dr Alberto Gianoli (gianoli@ihs.nl) and check IHS Research.

IHS Advisory

IHS recently started the composition of the City Development Strategy for the city of Tbilisi, Georgia for guiding the future development of Tbilisi. financed by the World Bank. The consortium implementing the project consists of IHS Rotterdam, fielding Dick ter Steege, IHS Romania (IHS Alumnus Nic Taralunga), CoPlan from Albania, the Rebelgroup and One Architects. The project is innovative in the sense that all local consultants will be provided by the City Hall. After the inception, the activities of the team focus on the composition of a City Profile and a Stakeholder Analysis to start the integrated participatory approach. Read more about IHS Advisory

JULY

Land Management and Informal Settlement Regularisation (LMISR)

Short Course, 2010

OCTOBER

Urban Management and Development (UMD)

MSc Programme, 2010

Refresher Courses for IHS Alumni

Sustainable Housing in Times of Climate Change - A Gender Perspective; in Bangkok Thailand (postponed)

Alternatives for Forced Evictions in Sub-Saharan Africa; in Nairobi Kenya (18-29 October 2010)

Livable and Sustainable Inner-Cities in Southern African Countries; in Johannesburg South Africa (16-27 August 2010)

Making Settlements work for the Poor - were Land Reforms enough in West Africa; in Kumasi Ghana (25 October- 5 November 2010)

Pro-poor PPPs for Public Service Delivery in South Asia; in Bangalore India (6-17 December 2010)

IHS Portrait

IHS staff Saskia Ruijsink (11 May 1978) studied in Eindhoven (Technical University) and in Leuven, Belgium. She worked as a consultant in the field of neighbourhood development planning in the Netherlands before entering IHS in 2007. From October 2009 until February 2010 she did an assignment at the UN-HABITAT headquarters

What is happening at IHS, Rotterdam?

- Support for Haiti; a call to IHS alumni to contribute;
- IHS and Cordaid offer fellowships in 2010 and 2011;
- International student barometer shows students are very satisfied with IHS student support;
- ICHUD 92 and UMD6 particpants battle in competition at international students sportsday.

in Nairobi, Kenya. Read her story

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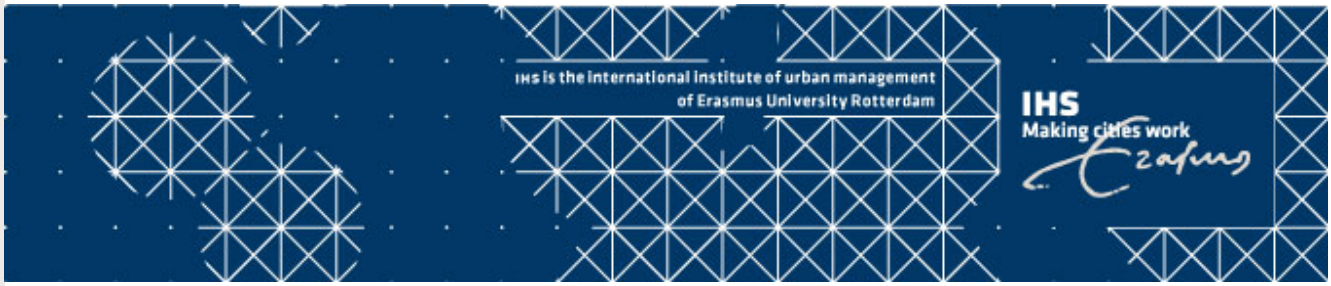

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