

## 6<sup>th</sup> Urban Research and Knowledge Symposium 2012

### Cities of Tomorrow: Framing the Future

Barcelona, Spain | October 8-10, 2012

*Select an option and return to [urks6@worldbank.org](mailto:urks6@worldbank.org) by **March 30, 2012:***

1. **Lead a Session:** Convene, co-host and sponsor a session on one of the three identified analytic clusters of economic, social, and spatial transformations. Governance, finance and sustainability are cross-cutting key themes to each of these pillars.
2. **Present a Paper:** Present a research, policy and/or practice paper in one of the three identified analytic clusters – economic, social, and spatial.
3. **Innovation Exhibition:** Showcase innovations and initiatives that have helped in the economic, spatial, and social transformation of cities at the exhibition space of the Symposium.
4. **Corporate Sponsorship:** Become a sponsor of the URKS6. Different sponsorship tiers are available and will be shared upon request.

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#### Participant Information (please type or print clearly)

**Salutation** (Dr., Mr., Mrs., Ms.) \_\_\_\_\_

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(DD/MM/YYYY)

If you would like to be considered for **funding to travel** to Barcelona, select this box:

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Please email the completed form to [urks6@worldbank.org](mailto:urks6@worldbank.org) by **March 30, 2012.**

For more information, visit [www.urbanknowledge.org/urks6](http://www.urbanknowledge.org/urks6).

## Abstract and specific submission deadlines

Complete the relevant sections and submit to [urks6@worldbank.org](mailto:urks6@worldbank.org) by **April 30, 2012**.

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### 1. Lead a Session

**Deadline for Proposals: April 30, 2012**

If you would like to convene and lead a session at the Symposium, **submit this form along with a 300-word abstract of the proposed session outline, and suggested speakers** by April 30, 2012. Selections will be announced by May 30, 2012.

**Session to be convened at 6<sup>th</sup> Urban Research and Knowledge Symposium 2012  
Cities of Tomorrow: Framing Future**

<<Title of session>>

<<Convenor(s)>>

Please indicate the Cluster(s), which your proposal addresses.

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The Symposium is looking for key partners to take the lead on convening and hosting a session during URKS6. Each session will last for approximately 90 minutes, and will focus on one of the three analytic clusters of economic, social, and spatial transformation. Governance, finance and sustainability are cross-cutting key themes to each of these pillars.

Specific requirements for each session:

- The partner institution will *propose and convene suitable participants (i.e. academic/researcher, private sector/practitioner, policymaker from developed and developing country)* to join the session and clearly outline their roles (e.g. presenter, panel discussant, chair). (Note: In addition to individuals identified by you, the World Bank may issue individual invitations to selected key speakers for your session.)
- The partner institution will organize the *content* (e.g. presentation materials, discussion questions, etc.) for the session.
- The partner institution will choose *a suitable session format* for the session (e.g. presentation/discussion, moderated debate, etc.).
- The partner institution will be responsible for the travel costs of the proposed session speakers.

**Check all that apply:**

#### **Analytic Clusters**

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- 1. **Economic Structure:** Examine how to effectively confront the opportunities and threats of the systems of cities, and maximize cities' comparative advantages in a positive sum game that contributes to local and national objectives of job creation, innovation and entrepreneurship.
- 2. **Social Structure:** Explore social dimensions of cities in the face of uncertainty, and how to effectively reduce persistent inefficiency and social exclusion associated with demography, migration, and social mobility, among others.
- 3. **Spatial Structure:** Explicate how to maximize national and local benefits of urbanization and mitigate its negative impacts in the context of a city's physical structure, considering elements such as urban planning (form, density, optimum size, etc.), transportation systems, energy, and resource efficiency, among others.

- 4. **Governance:** Evaluate the effects of metropolitan management and multi-level urban governance innovations and partnerships in changing the macro environment for sustainable urban development.
- 5. **Sustainability:** Enable environmental sustainability, and the development of livable, productive and inclusive cities in the face of climate change and other unexpected challenges. Distill key urban policies and lessons from cities that could help inform rapidly urbanizing cities in developing countries to achieve sustainability.

**Knowledge Clusters:**

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- Research**
- Policy**
- Practice**

**Proposed Session Participants**

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<b>Academic</b>	(Name, Name of Institution)
<b>Practitioner</b>	(Name, Name of Institution)
<b>Policymaker (developed country)</b>	(Name, Name of Institution)
<b>Policymaker (developing country)</b>	(Name, Name of Institution)

**Session Outline  
(Maximum 300 words)**

## 2. Call for Papers

**Deadline for Abstracts: April 30, 2012**

If you would like to present a paper at the Symposium, submit this form along with a 300-word abstract of the proposed paper by April 30, 2012. Selections will be announced by May 30, 2012.

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**Paper to be presented at Sixth Urban Research and Knowledge Symposium 2012  
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<<Title of paper>>

<<Author(s)>>

Please indicate the Cluster(s), which your proposal addresses.

Your contribution can be on the state-of-the-art research (urban knowledge/research gaps and frontier research), policy (current public policy debates, gaps and innovations) and/or practice (transformative practices, gaps and evidence-based approaches adaptable to various contexts) in any of the three analytic clusters – economic, social, and spatial – and two cross-cutting clusters of governance and sustainability.

**Check all that apply:**

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**Abstract**  
**(Maximum 300 words)**



**3. Innovation Exhibition**  
**Deadline for Proposals: April 30, 2012**

If you would like to showcase innovations and initiatives that have helped in the economic, spatial, and social transformation of cities at the exhibition space of the Symposium, please submit this form along with a 300-word description of the proposed showcase by April 30, 2012. Selections will be announced by May 30, 2012.

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**Innovation to be exhibited at Sixth Urban Research and Knowledge Symposium 2012**  
**Cities of Tomorrow: Framing Future**

<<Title of exhibition>>  
<<Exhibitor(s)>>

If applicable, explain how the innovation has leveraged and benefited from public-private-third sector-community partnerships and collaborations. Please indicate the Cluster(s), which your proposal addresses.

**Check all that apply:**

**Analytic Clusters**

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