
International Workshop on Housing, Health and Climate Change

Developing guidance for health protection in the built environment
Mitigation and adaptation responses

13 - 15 October 2010, WHO HQ Geneva, Switzerland

Meeting Room Salle G

DRAFT MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday 13 October

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| 09:00 -09:15 | Introduction of participants, chair election and adoption of the agenda – Carlos Dora, Coordinator IHE, WHO

Chair: He Jianqing, China |
| 09:15 -09:45 | Background to the workshop - Carlos Dora, Coordinator IHE, WHO <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aims, objectives, expected results - |
| 09:45 – 10:30 | Overview of housing and health issues as they connect to climate change mitigation and adaptation measures <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key questions and relevant experience |
| 10:30 -11:00 | Coffee break |
| 11:00 – 11:45 | Policies and measures listed in the IPCC reports regarding mitigation in housing and the built environment – Nathalie Röbbel, IHE, WHO |
| 11:45 - 12:30 | Roundtable discussion: How the work of other international agencies connect to housing and health issues (ILO, UNHABITAT, UNECE, UNEP) |
| 12:30 -14:00 | Lunch break

Chair: Hina Zia, India |
| 14:00 - 15:30 | Main programs and initiatives to improve the built environment to mitigate and adapt to climate change, at national/regional/global levels – David Ormandy, Institute of Health, UK <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Example of measures being planned/implemented |
| 15:30 - 16:00 | Break |
| 16:00 - 17:30 | Existing guidance and building codes, from government, industry and civil society organizations, that may have relevance for health - Rebecca Morely,,NCHH |
| 17:30 - 18:00 | Wrap up /overview of the day
<i>Reception</i> |

Thursday 14 October

Chair: David Jacobs, USA

- 8:45 – 9:00 Welcome - Maria Neira - Director PHE, WHO
- 9:00 – 10:30 Group discussion
Gap analysis - identification of areas where health issues are not yet considered by the building stakeholders but would provide added value to the proposed building improvements
- 10:30 -11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00 - 13:00 Strengthen health protection in the built environment improvements about to take place to mitigate and adapt to climate change
- Parallel working groups
- A) Recommendations by geographical areas (Chair: Nisha Naicker, South Africa)
- B) Recommendations by stages of the life cycle of buildings (planning, construction, use, demolition/recycling) (Chair: Amer Hussein Al-Hammady, United Arab Emirates)
- 13:00 - 14:00 Lunch break

Chair: Paul Wilkinson, UK

- 14:00 - 15:30 Roundtable discussion: Discussion and agreement on recommendations about areas of public health that can be protected and promoted through the building improvements that respond to climate change
- 15:30 - 16:00 Break
- 16:00 - 16:30 Roundtable discussion: Mechanisms whereby the proposed health promotion and protection can be achieved
- Discussion of matrix summarizing– governance, mechanisms, actors
- 16:30 - 17:00 Roadmap to promote and disseminate the above measures, and monitor the uptake of those recommendations
- 17:00 - 17:30 Closing remarks: what we can recommend today on the basis of the existing knowledge - Carlos Dora (WHO)

Friday 15 October WHO housing and health guidelines

Chair: Philippa Howden-Chapman, NZ (tbc)

- 09:00 -09:30 Opening of the meeting - – Carlos Dora, Coordinator IHE, WHO
Need and opportunity for WHO housing and health guidelines?
Key questions that needs to be addressed?
What are the steps to be followed for the guidelines development?
- 09:30 – 10:00 WHO guidelines
Their role, use and criteria for identifying expertise and knowledge – Regina
Kulier, GRC
- 10:00 – 10:30 Existing science-based health guidance (WHO guidelines on water, air,
noise etc.) and criteria that can be applied for housing and health – Matthias
Braubach, WHO EURO
- 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00 – 11:30 Housing and health guidelines - key questions to be addressed -
Nathalie Röbbel, IHE, WHO

Which types of buildings you be covered by the guidelines?
What are the other options?
What format should the guidelines have?
How are the guidelines going to address regional variations, materials,
building styles, climates, and affordability?
How to take account of emergencies/ locations/ land use planning
issues?
- 11:30 -12:30 Roundtable discussion: Member states' and stakeholders view on the
applicability of housing and health guidelines
- 12:30 – 13:30 Lunch break
- 13:30 – 15:00 Parallel working groups: setting priorities for the guidelines
- 15:00 - 15:30 Coffee break
- Chair: Emmanuel Briand, France
- 15:30 – 17:00 Reporting back by the working groups and identification of priority areas
to be covered by the WHO housing and health guidelines
- 17:00 – 17:30 Group discussion: Roadmap for the development, testing, review and
dissemination of the guidelines
- 17:30 – 18:00 Closing remarks – Carlos Dora, Coordinator, IHE