Working Party on Territorial Policy in Urban Areas

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

7th SESSION

1 June 2005
Nagoya, Japan

The Provisional Annotated Agenda is submitted for APPROVAL to Delegates of the Working Party on Territorial Policy in Urban Areas at its 7th Session on 1 June.

The meeting is hosted by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, Government of Japan, Aichi Prefecture, City of Nagoya, Urban Renaissance Agency, Chubu Economic Federation and the Nagoya Chamber of Commerce and Industry. It is being held back to back with an OECD International Symposium on Enhancing City Attractiveness for the Future on 2-3 June.

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Morning Session: 10:00 – 13:00

1. Adoption of the Agenda

2. Election of the Bureau

10:00 - 10:40

3. Approval of the Summary Record of the 6th Session

4. Opening Remarks by the Chair and Statement by the Director of the Public Governance and Territorial Development Directorate (GOV)

11:00 - 11:30

5. Towards the Sustainable Use of Building Stock

11:30 – 13:00

6. Metropolitan Competitiveness and Governance

   • Ongoing work: Territorial Reviews, conferences and forthcoming Horizontal Synthesis Report on metropolitan regions "Competitive Cities in the Global Economy"

11:30 – 13:00

   • The Case of Seoul

Afternoon Session: 14:30 – 17:30

14:30 - 17:15

7. Roundtable on the Urban Policy Agenda: Key Issues

17:15 - 17:30

8. Other Business

Morning and afternoon coffee breaks will take place at approximately 10:40 and 16:00

Documents for information:

- Agenda and Background Note on the International Symposium on Enhancing City Attractiveness for the Future, 2-3 June 2005 [GOV/TDPC/URB/RD(2005)3]
7th SESSION OF THE WORKING PARTY ON TERRITORIAL POLICY IN URBAN AREAS

ANNOTATIONS

Morning Session: 10:00 - 13:00

Item 2: Election of the Bureau

The current constituency of the Bureau is as follows:

Chair: Mr. T. Hara (Japan)
Vice-Chairs: Ms. C. Bersani (France)
 Ms. B. Helff (Germany)
 Ms. A. Ruden (Norway)
 Mr. S. Baruah (U.S.)

➢ Action required: The Working Party is requested to elect the Bureau following the proposals received from member countries.

Item 4: Opening Remarks by the Chair and Statement by the Director

1. The Chair, Mr. Takayuki Hara, will open the meeting and present the agenda of the 7th Session and that of the International Symposium on Enhancing City Attractiveness for the Future, on 2-3 June. He will report on the recent and ongoing work of the Working Party, in particular on the outcome of the International Conference on City Competitiveness, 3-4 March 2005, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain. He will also inform delegates of the organisation of a forthcoming Conference in Montreal in October 2005 concerning the Sustainable Competitiveness of Cities, which will focus on the social dimension of city competitiveness.

2. Mrs. Odile Sallard, Director of the Public Governance and Territorial Development Directorate (GOV) will brief the Working Party on the latest developments within the OECD. She will report on the 2004 Programme Implementation Reporting (PIR) and the OECD In-depth Evaluation Process currently underway and describe the implications for the TDPC and its Working Parties. Based on the TDPC Programme of Work for 2005-2006 [GOV/TDPC(2004)3/REV2], the debate will focus on the achievements of the Working Party, the evaluation of activities undertaken and the Working Party’s contribution to the TDPC work programme over the next biennium.

Coffee Break: 10:40 – 11:00

Item 5: Towards the Sustainable Use of Building Stock

3. The Secretariat will present a report and executive summary on the Sustainable Use of Building Stock. The report focuses on policies promoting the use of existing buildings and lengthening their real service lives. The report aims to provide recommendations for designing better government policies to encourage environmentally sustainable ways of using building stock, which should contribute to sustainable development objectives.

Action required: for discussion and approval
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Item 6: Metropolitan Competitiveness and Governance:

4. The Secretariat will sum up ongoing work on metropolitan competitiveness and governance. It will present an outline for the preparation of the forthcoming Horizontal Synthesis Report on Metropolitan regions "Competitive cities in the Global Economy" a “flagship” publication, due to be released end of 2006 based on the analysis draws on completed and ongoing policy studies in metropolitan areas. The Secretariat will inform about the ongoing and forthcoming territorial reviews on metropolitan regions as well as the Montreal conference on city competitiveness and social cohesion that will be held on October, 2005.

Action required: for discussion

5. The Secretariat will present an interim report of the Territorial review of Seoul. The study analyses how Seoul is striving to upgrade its positioning from a national mega-capital towards a “world city” and a business hub in Northeast Asia. In order to best exploit agglomeration economies while addressing congestion costs, Seoul needs to build an innovation-driven economy based on complementary knowledge-intensive activities, to upgrade the quality of its urban assets and to design a territorial branding strategy. Considering that the national agenda framework gives priority to balanced development across the country (including the project to relocate administrative functions outside Seoul), the national government's challenge is to maintain an internationally competitive capital region, while promoting regional competitiveness and overall national growth in a globalised economy. The report will be commented on by the Seoul Metropolitan City Government, followed by a presentation by the Secretariat.

Action required: for discussion

Lunch break: 13:00 – 14:30
Afternoon Session: 14:30 – 17:30

Item 7: Roundtable on the Urban Policy Agenda: Key Issues

6. The Chair will introduce a roundtable discussion on issues of rising importance on the urban policy agenda. Member countries will present examples of urban policy development from their country’s perspective. The discussion will provide guidance to the Secretariat on the future activities of the Working Party and its contribution to the programme of work of the TDPC for the 2007-2009 biennium.

Action required: for discussion

Coffee break 15:45 – 16:10 (the roundtable discussion will resume after the coffee break until approximately 17:15)