

'Re-imagining the City: A New Urban Order'



DAG National Conference 11–13 October, 2010 Cape Town Lodge

Imagine a city where all citizens have equal access to housing and land, employment, secure tenure, recreation, health, education, and opportunity to participate meaningfully in our democracy...

The Development Action Group, in collaboration with UN-HABITAT's Global Land Tool Network (GLTN), will host a three-day national conference entitled *'Re-imagining the City: A New Urban Order'*. Forty international and local experts on urban land management, democratic urban governance, land value capture and community-centered and medium-density housing will come together to share experiences and lessons in realising the right to the city. Participants from Brazil, Thailand, Mexico, the Netherlands and Kenya as well as national, provincial and local government, and a cross-section of civil society will attend the conference.

Who should attend: government officials, policy makers, CBOs, NGOs and academics

Guest speakers invited:

UN-HABITAT, Housing Development Agency, South African Cities Network, Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies, National Department of Human Settlements, University College of London, Lincoln Land Institute, City of Cape Town, City of Johannesburg Legal Resource Centre and others.

The conference will explore five critical dimensions to 'Re-imagine the City':

- Theme 1:** Land and property rights for a new urban order
- Theme 2:** Citizenship and the democratic management of cities in a new urban order
- Theme 3:** Instruments to finance a new urban order: land value capture
- Theme 4:** Reconfiguring a new urban order through medium-density housing
- Theme 5:** Community-centered housing in a new urban order

For regular updates on the conference, please join the DAG Discussion Forum at www.dag.org.za, where you are invited to participate in a series of topical debates. Registration forms can be downloaded from the DAG website or can be obtained directly from zinzi@dag.org.za. For more information contact Helen Macgregor on helenmac@dag.org.za or +27 21 448 7886.

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Land Value Capture and Land Management Mini-courses



Mini-courses: 14–16 October 2010, Cape Town Lodge

The Development Action Group, in collaboration with the Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS), in the Netherlands will host mini-courses on Value Capture and Land Management.

International urban land management specialists from Latin America, Europe and the USA, as well as South African municipalities will present five stand-alone mini-courses over three days. Participants will gain in-depth knowledge of value capture instruments and how they relate to revenue collection and land use management at both a theoretical and practical level. They will also develop an improved understanding of land markets, the growth of informality, and acquire a basic understanding of international value capture case studies. Participants will develop the skills to augment municipal revenue sources for improved service delivery, and strengthen their capacity to manage land in the interest of all citizens.

Who should attend: Government officials from departments including finance, properties, valuations, land use management, planning, housing and others

- Mini-course 1:** Urban land management and land value capture
- Mini-course 2:** The challenge of informality and urban land markets
- Mini-course 3:** Shortcomings and possibilities of the current municipal rating system
- Mini-course 4:** The state of municipal finance in South Africa: opportunities for land value capture and service delivery
- Mini-course 5:** Living Classroom: Cape Town under the spot light – opportunities for land value capture

Cost: R800 per mini-course

Registration for the Land Value Capture and Urban Land Management mini-courses opens on 1 August 2010. Forms will be available on request or can be downloaded from the DAG website. For more information contact Anzabeth Tonkin on anzabeth@dag.org.za. Please also visit DAG's website www.dag.org.za.