NETWORKING EVENT at Conference Habitat III

Wednesday, 19 October 2016
04:30 – 06:30 p.m.
Room R14

The Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction (GABC) supporting partners to deliver against multiple SDGs

Organised by the French Ministry of the Environment, Energy and the Sea, and the UN Environment Programme, this networking event will highlight the importance of the Buildings and Construction sector to supporting partners to deliver against multiple Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Responsible for over 20% of GHG emissions as a sector, harnessing the potential of 80% of CO2 emission reductions by 2050 (IEA) will be critical in implementing the Paris Agreement. Sustainable buildings are a key element of the draft outcome document of the New Urban Agenda to be adopted in Quito, as mentioned in the Articles 75, 76, 97, 101, 121 and 144, parties have expressed their commitment to encourage appropriate solutions. Many options are available, and the co-benefits of energy-efficient, green and resilient buildings are significant, and have been demonstrated in most regions of the world. An adequate policy action will be required after Habitat III Conference that calls for adequate, safe and affordable housing for all.

Partners of the Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction (GABC) will showcase experiences and activities that the Alliance members are taking in this direction, and how the GABC can help scale-up initiatives.

Agenda:

16:30 – 16:45 Introduction and presentation of the GABC

Mr. Yves Laurent Sapoval, Senior Advisor, Representing the Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction, Ministry of the Environment, Energy and the Sea, France

16:45 – 17:00 Setting the scene: Stakes and opportunities

Mr. John Dulac, Energy Efficiency, IEA
17:00 – 17:40 First session: Showcasing successful experiences and best practices
Moderator: Mr. Yves Laurent Sapoval

- Mr. Jorge Wolpert, SEDATU, Mexico
- Prof. (Mr.) Vanderley John, University of Sao Paulo, Latin America
- Energies 2050 or La voute Nubienne

17:40 – 18:15 Second session: How to scale-up action?
Moderator: Mr. Yves Laurent Sapoval

- Mr. Christian Fris-Bach, UN Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)
- Mrs. Dominika Czerwinski, World Green Building Council (WGBC)
- Mr. Kristtian Rada, International Finance Corporation, Latin America

18:15 – 18:30 Final remarks and next steps
Ms. Martina Otto, United Nations Environment Programme