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Side Event 12

BOTSWANA'S HOLISTIC APPROACH TOWARDS SLUM TRANSFORMATION: IMPROVING SETTLEMENTS AND LIVELIHOODS THROUGH THE PARTICIPATORY SLUM UPGRADING PROGRAM (PSUP), CASE OF BOIKHUTSO & MONARCH WARDS, FRANCISTOWN.



5 JUNE 2023, 18:15-19:15



Conference Room 9

SUMMARY

The side event will consist of government officials such as the Minister, the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Town and Country Planning together with a representative and leader of the community. A discourse will be held to elevate the debate on slum transformation through a panel discussion: improving settlements and livelihoods through the Participatory Slum Upgrading Program (PSUP: the Case of Boikhutso & Monarch wards, City of Francistown, Botswana. The session will bring together government officials, the community technocrats and community leaders to dissect the PSUP initiative in Botswana, highlighting the different outcomes achieved through community participation, partnerships with local authorities, and ensuring inclusive development strategies. Through the sharing of experience and practices, the side event aims at inspiring other countries and stakeholders to adopt similar approaches that Botswana have implemented, in improving settlements and the livelihoods of the urban poor communities and tackling slum transformation. This will open conversation of the role each stakeholder plays in the implementation of PSUP.

This side event aims to achieve the following:

- To probe how the Participatory Slum Upgrading Program ensures sustainable and long-term impacts on settlements and livelihoods by exploring the measures taken to ensure the program's effectiveness and sustainability.
- To monitor the progress and impact of slum transformation efforts. This can be done by establishing mechanisms for regular monitoring, evaluation, and feedback from the community to ensure the effectiveness and sustainability of the Participatory Slum Upgrading Program. This helps in identifying areas for improvement and making necessary adjustments to achieve better outcomes.
- To highlight challenges or limitations encountered during the implementation of the program.





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Organizer(s)

Department of Town and Country Planning, Ministry of Lands and Water Affairs, Government of Botswana.

Moderator

Director, Department of Town and Country Planning.

Speaker(s)

- Minister, Lands and Water Affairs
- Mayor, City of Francistown
- Urban Planner
- Francistown Community Representative



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