

Sustainable Building Practices in Affordable Mass Housing (Latin American, Caribbean and other developing countries)

Programme

Dr. R.K. Pachauri, Chairman, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), Director General The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) and Director, Yale Climate and Energy Institute

Opening remarks and welcome

Mr. Juan Pablo Bonilla, Chief, Sustainable Energy and Climate Change Unit, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

Initiatives for a sustainable living

Ms. Sylvie Lemmet, Director, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Division of Technology, Industry and Economics (DTIE)

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Ms. Mili Majumdar, Director, Sustainable Habitat Division, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)

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Strategies to promote resource and energy efficiency in mass housing.

Panel discussion

Refreshments will be served after the event.

Venue: Pitaya, Cancun Messe

Wednesday, 01 Dec 2010, 8:15pm-9:45pm

Strategies for affordable mass housing

According to the IPCC, the building sector has the greatest potential for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, using available technologies, and at the lowest cost. In developed countries, the sustainable buildings agenda has attracted considerable attention, leading to the development of highly-efficient building projects.

However, the largest volume of construction takes place today in developing countries, where housing provision is a priority as large segments of the population still lack access to affordable housing and essential services.

Currently little consideration is given to sustainability in affordable housing projects, although healthy and resource-efficient buildings can deliver significant environmental, social and economic benefits.

This session will present strategies and initiatives for governments and building sector stakeholders to ensure efficient energy and resource use while providing affordable housing to all.

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