



URBAN THINKERS CAMPUS THE FUTURE OF DOHA

THE CITY WE NEED Gearing for a Resilient City

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Qatar Green Building Council - QGBC was awarded to host the 2nd Urban Thinkers Campus in Qatar - **The Future of Doha, Gearing for a Resilient City** - under the umbrella of the World Urban Campaign and UN-Habitat. The campus is an open platform for action driven discussions of topics and trends that can impact and shape the future city we need. UTC Doha main themes will focus on two themes: The Resilient City and Livable Neighborhoods.

Overview

In January 2018, the Ministry of Municipality and Environment officially launched the Qatar National Development Framework (QNDF) as the spatial translation of the Qatar Vision 2030 and the National Development Strategy of the State. UTC-Doha 2018 will focus on discussing and identifying means of implementing the framework using the New Urban Agenda – action-oriented UTC 2.0 guidelines.

Objectives

UTC 2018 in Doha will be a continuation to a successful campus that was held in May 2017 and was attended by 130 participants from more than 53 organizations exploring implementable urban solutions that are economically feasible, replicable and scalable using the urban transformation of Doha city. UTC-Doha 2018 will serve as the platform to coordinate the stakeholders' commitments, roles & responsibilities in delivering the QNDF's strategic plans. Being the platform for critical exchange, UTC-Doha 2018 will be driving the discussion from the related Commitments related to UN's SDG Goal #3 Environmentally Sustainable and Resilient Urban Development.

From a campus reporting perspective, the main objective will be to showcase the proposed urban solutions in a clear structured Road Map, Action Plan, Responsibilities, Commitments and Priority Actions.

Topics of discussion



Program Outline

Time	UTC – Doha 2018	
07:30 – 08:00	Registration	
08:00 – 09:00	Opening Plenary: Welcome and Agenda Setting	
09:00 – 09:15	Coffee break	
09:15 – 09:45	Urban Lab (Theme 1)	Urban Lab (Theme 2)
09:45 – 10:45	Urban Thinker Session (Theme 1)	Urban Thinker Session (Theme 2)
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 – 11:30	Urban Lab (Theme 1)	Urban Lab (Theme 2)
11:30– 12:30	Urban Thinker Session (Theme 1)	Urban Thinker Session (Theme 2)
12:30 – 13:00	Coffee break	
13:00 – 14:30	Roundtable Theme 1	Roundtable Theme 2
14:30 – 15:00	Open feedback session, Closing plenary/Final conclusion	
	Lunch	

Participation and Attendance

Registration will be open for a limited number of attendees. further details will be published soon.

For further details check <http://qatargbc.org/outreach/utc>

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Themes Overview

Theme 1: The Neighborhood We Need

The neighborhood corporeal experiences and spirits within the built environment of Doha are being drastically alerting. This is also affecting the social structure of local characteristics in Doha which poses a challenge to the general quality of neighborhoods. Therefore, it was suggested that aspects of urban quality in neighborhood could be assessed and fostered to guarantee a well-functioning neighborhood structure, leading to a high quality of urban environment. Means of guiding nationhood improvements will be discussed through three main topics:

- 1- **Implementation of the Masterplan on micro-level "neighborhoods"**: discussing the effectiveness of the governing policies and regulations specially those in relation to public and private sector partnership (PPP). Additionally, exploring introducing intensives for funding the missing amenities within the neighborhood boundary.
- 2- **Wellbeing oriented Public Realm**: discussing the quality of the physical built environment while assessing the livability performance and defining the key links with the national health strategies that has a direct impact on creating a wellbeing conscious sustainable urban canvas.
- 3- **Retrofitting Existing Neighborhoods**: exploring means of gearing the process towards a diversity in land use that can foster local economy. This diversity will help in increasing the quality of the neighborhoods livability and build the social coherence and sense of belonging within the community.

Theme 2: The Resilient City

The purpose of this theme of the UTC is to discuss the city-level planning and design of Doha, with an emphasis on the newly released Qatar National Development Framework, the Climate Change Strategy under development with the Ministry of Municipality and Environment (MME), and the UNESCO Learning Cities platform to enable resilient urban development. The session will focus on three main topics, all within the context of the QNDF:

- 1- **City-Level Mobility**: One of the overarching aims of this session is for all participants to first develop an understanding of the stakeholders, key players, governance structure and latest plans and projects that are driving and managing the city-level transformation. This session will explore the likely long-term impacts of such projects (such as the Rail Transit Oriented Development TOD and Qatar's 2022 FIFA World Cup) and their role in shaping and transforming the flows of people, products, services, and vehicles throughout the city. What are the impacts that are expected, both in terms of physical changes and on the long-term resilience of the City?
- 2- **Economic Resiliency – The Role of the Special Economic Zones**: Many cities around the world are currently exploring and implementing the opportunities to attract new domestic and foreign investment by improving opportunities for new industry and innovation with access to infrastructure, services, communication, and logistics networks. As the development of SEZ's is an emerging opportunity for Doha, this session offers a chance to strengthen the knowledge and understanding of the sessions' stakeholders in their understanding of the long-term impacts.
- 3- **Education – The Learning Cities Guidelines: Green and Healthy Learning Cities**: Thinking of the long-term future of Doha, this session will explore the solutions for skills development in terms of the skills that are expected for development of a green and healthy city. How will Qatar determine the long-term skills requirements that will result from the current and ongoing transformations? Through forecasting of long-term economic and social development, the skills requirements and related educational requirements can be assessed. With the national vision of transforming to a knowledge economy, what are the necessary mix of skills, education, and training that will be required and for what timeframe?