

## News from the Secretariat

### CityApp Kathmandu 2014



CITYNET and Microsoft are harnessing the power of innovation to develop technological solutions to urban challenges in the Kathmandu Valley. This unique project brings together stakeholders from across the Kathmandu valley region to examine common urban challenges and build technology-based solutions to conceptualize, build and implement innovative mobile and web applications from March

13-15. [More.](#)

### Video: Welcome to CITYNET



Thanks to everyone who participated in the 2013 Congress Interview Project. With your wisdom and input, the Secretariat team crafted this video below to introduce new members and partners to the breadth and depth of the network. The Secretariat invites you to share the video with your networks and watch it [here](#).

### CITYNET National Chapter India



The CITYNET National Chapter India was formed on December 16, 2013 with HUDCO at the helm. About 30 delegates from a wide variety of sectors participated in the deliberations of the first meeting of CITYNET National Chapter India. During the first year of its development, the Indian National Chapter will develop a capacity building program and reach out to new city members. Check the [CITYNET website](#) soon for more updates.

### New Member City: Ulaanbaatar

The Secretariat warmly welcomes Ulaanbaatar to the CITYNET network. Ms. Khalian B. of the Ulaanbaatar city government commented, "As a member city of CITYNET, Ulaanbaatar will learn from the experiences and expertise of the network in urban development and city government administration. This will help implement the

Mayor's vision for the development and prosperity of the city. Training programs, study visits, international conferences, and expert advice from other member cities will play a significant role in confronting our urban challenges."



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## Upcoming Events

- March -

CityApp Kathmandu 2014

March 13-15, 2014  
Kathmandu, Nepal

CIFAL Jeju: Enhancing a Victim  
Centered Approach  
March 17-22, 2014  
Jeju, South Korea

CDIA: Cities and Climate Change  
March 26-28, 2014  
Singapore

- April -

CIFAL Jeju 2nd Workshop

April 28-May 1, 2014  
Jeju, South Korea

- May -

Temasek Foundation Leaders in  
Urban Governance

May 26-31, 2014  
Singapore

- June -

CLC: World Cities Summit

June 1-4, 2014  
Singapore

## CITYNET Blog

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Want to hear about urban resilience, development, and programs? Check out our blog, with

contributions from members, interns, volunteers and staff for a fresh and personal take on urbanization. [Read More](#)



## New Associate Member: NIUA



The National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) is headquartered in New Delhi, India, and works to create relevant

policies and innovations for integrated urban planning and effective municipal governance through research, knowledge exchange, training and capacity development. Dr. Debjani Ghosh of NIUA commented, "Being part of CITYNET and its outreach activities will provide an international platform and access to a broad resource pool of organizations, expertise and urban stakeholders especially from Asia-Pacific cities."

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## CITYNET Young Professionals Annual Report



The CITYNET Young Professionals program had an outstanding initial year in 2013. With 25 students and recent graduates from 14 countries, this diverse and highly-skilled group brought together knowledge and experience from a range of backgrounds. Officially introduced at the 2013 CITYNET Seoul Congress, they produced a number of excellently researched and written papers on a range of topics. To read their work and highlights from their first year, see the [CITYNET Young Professionals Annual Report](#).

## Secretariat Vacancy Notice Spring 2014



CITYNET is announcing a search for multiple vacancies this spring - Director of Programs, Program Officer, and Partner Development Officer. Please share these exciting positions with qualified candidates across your networks. For a full description of the three openings and application procedures, [click here](#).

## CITYNET Yokohama Project Updates

### Follow-up Simulation Evacuation Shelter Management Training in Iloilo

As the Community Based Adaptation and Resilience Against Disasters (CBARAD) Project comes close to the end of its second year, the Technical Assessment Visit III was conducted from February 11-15. All five pilot Barangays presented their outputs for the second year of the project which included flood drill, GIS mapping, profiling



of the PWDs, computer training at Central Philippine University among others. They also highlighted plans for the third year which include production of awareness raising materials and conducting evacuation drills. [Read more](#)

### CITYNET Youth Japan Conducts a Second Exchange Visit to the Philippines



In cooperation with Central Philippine University (CPU)



In cooperation with Central Philippine University (CPU), CITYNET Youth Japan (CYJ) visited Iloilo from February 10-14. During this visit, CYJ conducted discussion forums on Gender Gaps in Asian Cities, English Language Education in a Global Context and a Cultural Exchange Workshop. The visit strengthened the relationship between the Filipino and Japanese students and fostered the growth of future global

professionals. [Read more.](#)

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## Barangay level Evacuation Drill and Evacuation Shelter Management Training



CYO and Crisis Management Center officers from the City of Yokohama conducted the first Barangay level Evacuation Drill and Evacuation Shelter Management training in the Philippines as a part of the CBARAD Project. This training program encouraged Barangay residents to develop an Evacuation Manual, which has been presented to the Mayor Jed Patrick Mabilog of Iloilo. The event was supported and coordinated

by the City Government of Iloilo and various other Japanese and Filipino partners in Iloilo. [Read more.](#)

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## Mayor of Iloilo Inaugurates PWD-Friendly Toilet



The CBARAD Project is an inclusive project for the Barangays leaving no residents behind. In order to give equal and user-friendly access to the people with disabilities (PWDs) in the Barangays, the project has constructed PWD friendly toilets in the Barangay halls so that anyone will be able to use it conveniently particularly when people are taking shelter in the Barangay halls during the disasters. [Read more.](#)

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## 18th CITYNET Yokohama Japan Forum: Air Quality and its Management in Asia

The 18th CITYNET Yokohama Japan Forum was held on February 8, 2014 with speakers from Clean Air Asia and the City of Yokohama's Atmosphere and Sound Environment Division sharing their experiences to the Japanese public. This public



event is organised at least once a year to promote CITYNET activities and to raise awareness on the issues in development in the Asia Pacific Region. The forum next year will be a part of Yokohama International Forum being organised at JICA Yokohama Office. [Read more.](#)

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## News from CITYNET Members and Partners

### Seoul Magok District: Knowledge Industrial Green City, leading the future!



Seoul Magok District will be built as a self-sufficient knowledge industrial cluster, serving various functions as a



cutting-edge research center, quality living space and a large scale botanic park. Enterprises such as LG, Lotte and Daewoo Shipbuilding & Marine Engineering have already agreed to establish their research centers in the Magok District. [Read](#)

[more.](#)

## World Cities Summit



Join CITYNET partner Centre for Liveable Cities this June for the World Cities Summit. Under the theme "Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Common Challenges, Shared Solutions", the 4th edition of the biennial World Cities Summit will be held in

Singapore from 1 to 4 June 2014, in conjunction with the Singapore International Water Week and CleanEnviro Summit Singapore at the Sands Expo and Convention Centre, Marina Bay Sands. [Read More](#)

## Better Air Quality Conference 2014



Clean Air Asia and partners organize the biennial Better Air Quality (BAQ) conference, Asia's leading forum on air quality, climate change, transport, energy and cities. Conducted since 2002, the BAQ has brought together more than 600 practitioners, policy makers, and industry leaders to establish partnerships, guide policy, and exchange best practices

amongst cities. This year the BAQ conference is co-organized by Clean Air Asia, the Ministry of Environment and Renewable Energy of Sri Lanka, and Clean Air Sri Lanka together with development partners and other supporting organizations. It will be held from 19-21 November in Colombo, Sri Lanka. [Read more.](#)

## Pacific Cities Sustainability Initiative Forum



CITYNET partner Urban Land Institute in coordination with the Asia Society will host this special event to discuss

promising new approaches to creating cities that are both livable and resilient. The Forum will focus on action-oriented exchanges of best practices and lessons learned through keynote speeches, panels, and interactive problem-solving workshops. [Read more.](#)

## GIZ launches "CAPSUT" - The new portal on Capacity Building for Sustainable Urban Transport



CAPSUT (Capacity Building for Sustainable Urban Transport) is an international platform, dedicated to capacity building in sustainable urban transport. It has been created by GIZ-SUTP (Sustainable Urban Transport Project) and has contributions from various partners worldwide that range from bilateral and multilateral organizations to academia, NGOs and other relevant stakeholders. [Read more.](#)

## GIZ SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY INNOVATIONS



The world of sustainable mobility is full of innovations. On a daily basis, new tools, approaches and concepts are developed, tried and implemented to make the life of pedestrians, cyclists and public transport users more comfortable. As part of their daily routine, the mobility experts from GIZ, BMZ and Future-Makers are constantly looking for Sustainable Mobility innovations - please find

below their discoveries. [Read more.](#)

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