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Celebration of International Tenants' Day/World Habitat Day 4th October 2021 13.00-14.30 Brussels - Digital meeting

The International Union of Tenants (IUT) and organisations for tenants in Sweden, Bosnia-Herzegovina and North Macedonia in cooperation with Freja Forum Foundation are inviting you to celebrate the International Tenants' Day/World Habitat Day.

The United Nations have designated the **first Monday of October of every year as World Habitat Day** since 1985, and the IUT celebrates the International Tenants' Day as well.

This year the theme is *Accelerating urban action for a carbon-free world*, the global Race to Zero Campaign and UN-Habitat's ClimateAction4Cities. As housing is a fundamental right in every society it needs to be addressed locally, nationally and internationally. The aim with this seminar is to encourage tenants to increase their interest for the environment and climate change related to housing and living conditions.

Referring to the current situation this year we will have a digital seminar and celebrate World Habitat Day again on the same day and continuing the tradition.

PROGRAMME

- 13.00 Opening and Welcome moderator from the Freja Forum Foundation
- 13.10 World Habitat Day Theme 2021
 Mr Paulius Kulikauskas (tbc) Chief, Office for Europe and European Institutions
 United Nations Human Settlements Programme
- 13.20 Reflections on the International Tenants' Day/World Habitat Day 2021
 Ms Marie Linder, president International Union of Tenants
 IUT film about International Tenants Day
- 13.40 "Housing and environment from the tenants' perspective in Sweden"

 Mr Georg Hardt, Swedish Union of Tenants
- 13.50 Tenants' rights to a safe and clean environment and a decent living standard **Ms Maja Acevska** Housing and Tenants organisation HTO, North Macedonia

- 14.00 "How young people built a civil society organisation for tenants" movie

 Ms Jasminka Tadic-Husanovic, Censor/Tenants organisation Bosnia-Herzegovina
- 14.15 Panel discussion
- 14.30 Closing

Moderator from the Freja Forum Foundation

The seminar will be delivered via Microsoft Teams and therefore the participants will need a computer with access to a microphone, camera and headset. You will also need to have access to a reliable internet connection. You will be able to connect 30 min before the meeting to make sure that your connection works correctly.

Click here to join the meeting

Please contact <u>margareta.eklund@gmail.com</u> in case you need more information.

Welcome to the celebration of International Tenants' Day/World Habitat Day!



