











# EUROPEAN HOUSING CHALLENGES AND A BETTER URBAN FUTURE

# Celebration of World Habitat Day and International Tenants' Day Monday the 3rd October, 2022 from 13.00-14.30 Digital event

International Union of Tenants, organisations for tenants in Sweden, Bosnia-Herzegovina and North Macedonia in cooperation with Freja Forum Foundation are inviting you to a celebration of World Habitat Day and International Tenants' Day.

The United Nations has designated the **first Monday of October of every year as a World Habitat Day,** since 1985. On the same day, we are celebrating International Tenants' Day.

This year on the 3rd October 2022, the Global Observance of World Habitat Day, under the theme Mind the Gap. Leave No One and Place Behind, will look at the problem of growing inequality and challenges in cities and human settlements.

Housing is a fundamental right in every society and therefore needs to be adressed locally, nationally and internationally.

#### **PROGRAMME**

#### 13,00 OPENING AND WELCOME WORDS

**Moderator: Ms Aslihan Tekin,** Legal and Policy Adviser EU/International Affairs and Freja Forum partner

World Habitat Day and Future strategies for the international and Swedish Tenants-

**Ms Marie Linder**, President International Union of Tenants and chairman of Swedish Union of Tenants

#### **IUT Press release**

• <a href="https://www.iut.nu/news-events/iut-calls-for-moratoria-on-evictions-energy-price-caps-and-long-term-climate-allowances-for-low-and-middle-income-households/">https://www.iut.nu/news-events/iut-calls-for-moratoria-on-evictions-energy-price-caps-and-long-term-climate-allowances-for-low-and-middle-income-households/</a>

#### 13.20 EUROPEAN HOUSING CHALLENGES

- Europe for people concerning housing and living 2022 and planning for the future
- Situation of tenants in the EU: politicies to prevent evictions, unaffordability and insecurity"
- Mr Hans Dubois, Research manager, Social Policies Unit, Eurofound.













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- Link to Eurofound <a href="https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/about-eurofound/who-we-are">https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/about-eurofound/who-we-are</a>
- <a href="https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/publications/report/2023/affordable-and-adequate-homes-the-cost-of-and-access-to-housing-in-europe">https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/publications/report/2023/affordable-and-adequate-homes-the-cost-of-and-access-to-housing-in-europe</a>

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## 13.40 HOUSING CHALLENGES in Western Balkan

How is the situation for tenants 2022 and what do we expect from a better urban future? Tenants rights to a safe and clean environment and decent living –

**Ms Jasminka Tadic-Husanovic** President Center for Support Organizations (CENSOR), Tuzla, Bosnia- Herzegovina

**Ms Maja Staleska**, President at Organization for housing and tenants HTO, Skopje, North Macedonia

## 14.00 Q&A and discussions

14.20 "MESSAGES" to forward to governments and EU

### 14.30 **CLOSING**

The seminar will be delivered via Microsoft Teams and therefore the participants will need a computer with access to a microphone, camera and headphones. You will also need to have access to a reliable internet connection. You will be able to connect 15 min before the meeting to see if your connection works correctly.

# Microsoft Teams Click here to join the meeting

For more information please contact <a href="margareta.eklund@gmail.com">margareta.eklund@gmail.com</a>

Welcome to celebration of World Habitat Day and International Tenants' Day!