



Greetings from the Participatory Slum Upgrading - Team!

We are pleased to introduce our first Newsletter, a quarterly collection of events, updates, achievements, and upcoming actions from the Participatory Slum Upgrading Programme (PSUP).



"We transform cities, we leave no one behind"

Our Motto for the **3rd International ACP/EC/UN-Habitat Tripartite Conference** from November 14th to 16th 2018 in Brussels

1 Billion people live in slums today – these are **one in eight people** worldwide! We take action to create a change. Ministers, Mayors, representatives of NGOs, of the private sector, from universities and our financing partners from across the globe joined in a common dialog for the same vision: To better the lives of slum dwellers all over the world and halve the number by 2030. As a result of this international conference, we signed the **Brussels Declaration and Action Framework**

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New roads for Old Accra Our Workshop in Ghana

Two settlements, James Town and Ussher Town are part of Accra's famous historic district Ga Mashie. In 2008, we initiated a series of changes to upgrade this unique part of the city. A major milestone: new roads in almost the whole of Ga Mashie. In **October 2018**, the Mayor of Accra, Mr Mohammend Nii Adjei Sowah and the Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development, represented by Deputy Minister Hon. Kwasi B. Adjei, hosted us for a workshop where participants from seven countries came together to learn from



Ghana's experiences in upgrading a city: since Accra is amongst the best practice in the PSUP implementation.

Esteemed visitors from Pointe Noire



Mayor Jean François Kando and a government delegation from the Republic of Congo visited us in **January 2019** at the Headquarters of UN-Habitat for several days. Together with the Congolese politicians, we discussed ways to implement country wide the PSUP Phase III, especially in the city of Pointe Noire. In a jointly signed Memorandum of Understanding, the government agreed to support PSUP projects with a substantial financial contribution.

New from the PSUP

The last few months have seen the launch of several exciting new publications including:



Addressing the most vulnerable first: Pro-Poor Climate Action in Informal Settlements

Published in November 2018, this thematic guide to climate change adaptation is the first in a series of resources to discuss how to build resilience for the billion urban dwellers who are estimated to live in informal settlements.



Prosperity for All: Enhancing the Informal Economy through Participatory Slum Upgrading

In partnership with UN-Habitat, Cardiff University published this report exploring the intersection of slums and the informal economy to raise awareness of the potential of the local economy in slums as a key component of participatory slum upgrading.



As we approach these upcoming events, do not hesitate to visit our website or get in touch with us.

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