



COLLABORATIVE HOUSING DAY

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Central Library Oodi, Helsinki



Global Platform for the Right to the City
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The Collaborative Housing Day is an initiative by the CoHabitat Network, through several of its partner organisations: Cooperative Housing International (CHI), Co-Lab Research - TU Delft (Co-Lab), European CLT Network (EUCLTN), Global Platform for the Right to the City (GPR2C), Habitat International Coalition (HIC), International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), MOBA Housing SCE (MOBA), urbaMonde, World Habitat.

Promoting and enabling collaborative housing is key to guaranteeing the right to adequate housing and the right to the city, and to ensuring that residents are at the core of the processes that shape their habitat and cities.

Past editions of the (European) Collaborative Housing Days have proven successful in bringing together a variety of actors working to promote re-

sident-driven, permanently affordable and sustainable housing solutions. They have provided opportunities for peer learning, knowledge exchange and project documentation, increasing the visibility of collaborative housing solutions among social and public housing providers, citizens and public authorities alike. In Helsinki we expect to create again a space for multi-actor and cross-sectoral dialogue.

TIMETABLE OVERVIEW

TIME	EVENT
09:00-09:30 (30')	Why a Collaborative Housing Day and why are collaborative housing models needed today? • INAUGURATION <i>World Habitat, Habitat International Coalition</i>
09:35-10:35 (60')	Collaborative Housing: building resilience against crises • ROUNDTABLE <i>UrbaMonde, Co-Lab Research</i>
10:40-11:55 (75')	Financial frameworks for collaborative housing in Central and Southeastern Europe: scaling up the MOBA Housing Development Fund • ROUNDTABLE <i>MOBA</i>
12:00-13:25 (85')	“Speed-dating” with collaborative housing projects and networks • NETWORKING EVENT <i>World Habitat, urbaMonde</i>
13:30-14:30 (60')	Co-Lab Mapping project: a visualisation tool for collaborative housing in Europe • WORKSHOP <i>Co-Lab Research</i>
14:35-15:50 (75')	What are the key conditions to foster collaborative housing? Lessons from across the globe • ROUNDTABLE <i>Co-operative Housing International, Habitat International Coalition</i>
16:00-17:15 (75')	Community Land Trusts and Social Housing: Collaborating for the Right to Housing • WORKSHOP <i>European CLT Network</i>

VENUE

Helsinki Central Library Oodi
Töölönlahdenkatu 4
00100 Helsinki
oodihelsinki.fi/en/arrival

REGISTRATION

Free registration at
socialhousingfestival.eu/registration

AFTER 17:15 ...



... Free informal networking and discussions outside the hall !

DETAILED PROGRAMME

9:00 - 9:30

WHY A COLLABORATIVE HOUSING DAY AND WHY ARE COLLABORATIVE HOUSING MODELS NEEDED TODAY?

Before we kick off the Collaborative Housing Day, we will start by addressing the key question that brings us here to discuss community-driven models of housing provisions. This overview aims to provide the bigger picture of how collaborative models fit in the challenges faced in the housing sector in European Cities - while also zooming out to a more global perspective, highlighting that housing dynamics are interlinked and share similarities worldwide.

Invited speakers

- Louise Winterburn, Deputy-Chief Executive of World Habitat, on behalf of CoHabitat Network (moderator)
- Bent Madsen, President, Housing Europe
- Adriana Allen, President, Habitat International Coalition (video message)
- Ulla Kuitunen, Head of the Housing Services Unit, City of Helsinki

9:35 - 10:35

COLLABORATIVE HOUSING: BUILDING RESILIENCE AGAINST CRISES

Introducing the day with a discussion about the benefits of collaborative housing forms for their residents in the pandemic and financial crisis contexts. Co-Lab and urbaMonde have generated resident's stories and a study about the benefits of living in a co-housing, a housing cooperative or a home on land managed by a Community Land Trust, in many aspects including security from evictions or foreclosure, tight communities, psychological support and self-help among direct neighbours and with vulnerable populations of the broader neighbourhood, income generating activities, etc. Evidence also showed the resistance of CLTs and Cooperatives to foreclosure and evictions during the 2008 financial and economic crisis.

Invited speakers

- Pierre Arnold, urbaMonde and CO-HOPE European research project, France (moderator),
- Darinka Czischke, Co-Lab Research, Netherlands
- Sara Zoni, Legacoop Abitanti, Italy
- Ona Cornellà, Sostre Civic, Barcelona, Spain

10:40 - 10:55

FINANCIAL FRAMEWORKS FOR COLLABORATIVE HOUSING IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH-EASTERN EUROPE: SCALING UP THE MOBA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND

In Central and Southeastern Europe (Balkans) there is hardly any social housing and no alternatives to the market provision of housing. Affordable collaborative housing could help fill this gap. However, given the lack of institutional support and adapted financial products, it is challenging to finance new affordable housing models. Through the example of the MOBA Housing SCE (MOBA), a network that federates pioneering cooperative housing initiatives in 5 countries (Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Serbia, Slovenia), this session will look at strategies to overcome the affordable housing finance challenge. These possible pathways

range from community-based finance linking people locally and across cities and countries; public policies at the municipal and national levels; and institutional support at the European level.

Invited speakers

- Ana Džokić, MOBA Housing SCE, Serbia (moderator)
- Maša Hawlina, MOBA Housing SCE, Slovenia
- Črtomir Remec, Housing Fund of the Republic of Slovenia
- Blaise Lambert, Confederation of Cooperative Housing, United Kingdom / Cooperative Housing International
- Guido Schwarzendahl, Bauverein Halle & Leuna, Germany / Cooperative Housing International

12:00 - 13:25

“SPEED-DATING” WITH COLLABORATIVE HOUSING PROJECTS AND NETWORKS

You want to find out more about what collaborative housing projects are all about? How do they work? What are their aims? How do they collaborate with social housing providers? What are their successes and obstacles?

This ‘speed dating’ activity allows attendants to meet three projects from different countries in a row. To facilitate the logistics, participants will choose one from four Groups (see table below) where representatives from collaborative housing initiatives will present their work and discuss with the attendees. After 20 minutes, in each table, another project representative takes the lead and the discussion follows around this other project. This dynamic will give opportunities for informal talks, networking and to discover what's happening in different countries in the field of Community-led Housing.

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
Habitat & Participation, BE Pascale Thys	Tafkoo architects, AUT, DEU, FI Otto Höller	Village Co-Living, FI JOAKIM BREITENSTEIN	Confederation of Cooperative Housing, UK Blaise Lambert
Middlemarch Community-Led Housing, UK Steve Watson	Community Land Trust Brussels, BE Sophie Ghyselen	MOBA Housing SCE, SRB Ana Džokić	MOBA Housing SCE, SVN Maša Hawlina
Athos Ry, FI Vesa Rutanen	Bauverein Halle & Leuna, DEU Guido Schwarzendahl	SOSTRE CIVIC, ESP Ona Cornelia	SOSTRE CIVIC, ESP José Téllez

We recommend having lunch during this networking event. Lunch and take-away options are available at [Food & Co](#), first floor of the library.

13:30 - 14:30

CO-LAB MAPPING PROJECT: A VISUALISATION TOOL FOR COLLABORATIVE HOUSING IN EUROPE

Quantitative data on collaborative housing forms are currently scattered, and there is a lack of standard definitions. This situation prevents a comparative understanding of the challenges and opportunities that these housing forms can offer. The [Co-Lab Mapping project](#) aims to tackle this problem. To do so, it proposes a classification of collaborative housing and a mapping tool, accessible through an interactive online platform. This session will start with the video of the [Project Together!](#) (25min), which summarises the 3-month programme carried out in Delft in 2021. Then, the [Co-Lab Research](#) team will present the mapping tool explaining the online platform, followed by a panel discussion with practitioners, policymakers, and residents. Panellists will be invited to reflect on the relevance of collecting data on collaborative housing forms at national and local level, and the role of evidence to improve decision-making.

Invited speakers

- Dr Darinka Czischke, Co-Lab Research (moderator)
- Sara Brysch, Co-Lab Research (screening)
- Alice Pittini, Research Director, Housing Europe
- Rossana Zaccaria, Legacoop Abitanti, Italy
- Dr. Jaana Nevalainen, Ministry of the Environment, Finland

14:35 - 15:50

WHAT ARE THE KEY CONDITIONS TO FOSTER COLLABORATIVE HOUSING? LESSONS FROM ACROSS THE GLOBE

It is key to advance on broadening the conversation and strengthening the linkages with experiences from other regions under the scope of collaborative housing. In particular, the long-standing initiatives and experiences related to social production of habitat, especially in Asia, Latin America, and Africa, have much to add in terms of identifying connections regarding key components of collaborative housing, such as community and resident leadership and affordability. This event aims to promote an exchange between experiences from different regions in order highlighting the key necessary conditions for advancing collaborative housing. From governance and planning, to finance and community leadership, some key aspects will be highlighted to pinpoint possible enabling environments for the flourishing of an enlarged conception of collaborative housing.

Invited speakers

- Léa Oswald, urbaMonde, Switzerland (moderator)
- Sophia Torres, Habitat International Coalition, Global Platform for the Right to the City
- Nina Quintas, urbaMonde, Switzerland
- Julie LaPalme, Cooperative Housing International, Canada
- Florence Assen, Coop Cameroon, Cameroon

16:00 - 17:15

COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS AND SOCIAL HOUSING: COLLABORATING FOR THE RIGHT TO HOUSING

This workshop seeks to explore how Community Land Trusts (CLTs) and social housing organisations can work together to deliver on the right to housing. The core message is that partnerships between CLTs and social housing organisations can create strong housing projects that put residents at the centre. It will start with brief presentations on concrete collaborations between CLTs and social housing organisations, followed by a panel discussion with CLT and social housing representatives on how to ensure sound collaboration. This discussion will also involve the audience.

Invited speakers

- Joaquin de Santos, European Community Land Trust Network and CLT Brussels, Belgium (moderator)
- Steve Watson, Partner, Middlemarch Community-Led Housing, UK
- Tom O'Donnell, Self-organised Architecture, Ireland
- Javier Burón, Housing Manager, Barcelona City Council, Spain
- Lele Turati, UniAbita housing cooperative, Italy



CoHabitat is a network of community-led housing organizations and allies from across the world, who work together to secure housing rights through collective, non-speculative, people-led solutions. Our mission is to make community-led housing more attainable and widespread.

COOPERATIVE HOUSING INTERNATIONAL

CHI promotes cooperative housing as an economic and social solution to the problem of providing shelter. It aims to demonstrate the successes and best practices of housing cooperatives throughout the world and raises awareness about the potential of housing co-ops as widely as possible.

CO-LAB RESEARCH

Located in the Department of Management in the Built Environment, Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment, at the Delft University of Technology, Co-Lab Research is a research group working on the development, discussion and valorisation of knowledge on Collaborative Housing.

EUROPEAN COMMUNITY LAND TRUST NETWORK

The network gathers a wide variety of actors actively developing the Community Land Trust (CLT) model, either directly working with CLTs, networks of CLTs, or supporting the creation of new CLTs, with the aim of being the voice of the European CLT movement.

GLOBAL PLATFORM FOR THE RIGHT TO THE CITY

The GPR2C is an open, flexible, diverse network of civil society and local government organizations committed to political action and social change through the promotion, defense and fulfillment of the Right to the City at all levels, paying special attention to people and communities affected by exclusion and marginalization.

HABITAT INTERNATIONAL COALITION

Through solidarity, networking and support for social movements and organizations, HIC struggles for social justice, gender equality, and environmental sustainability, and works in the defence, promotion and realization of human rights related to housing and land in both rural and urban areas.

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

IIED is an independent research organisation that aims to deliver positive change on a global scale through rigorous research that helps to drive progress, support sustainable development and protect the environment.

MOBA HOUSING SCE

MOBA is a network of pioneering housing cooperatives from Belgrade, Budapest, Ljubljana, Prague and Zagreb promoting an innovative and anti-speculative cooperative housing model for the region, providing solutions to the challenges of housing affordability and accessibility.

URBAMONDE

UrbaMonde is a French-swiss international cooperation NGO which promotes community-driven processes in the fields of participatory planning, neighbourhood improvement and housing. It facilitates the CoHabitat Network to disseminate community-led housing worldwide.

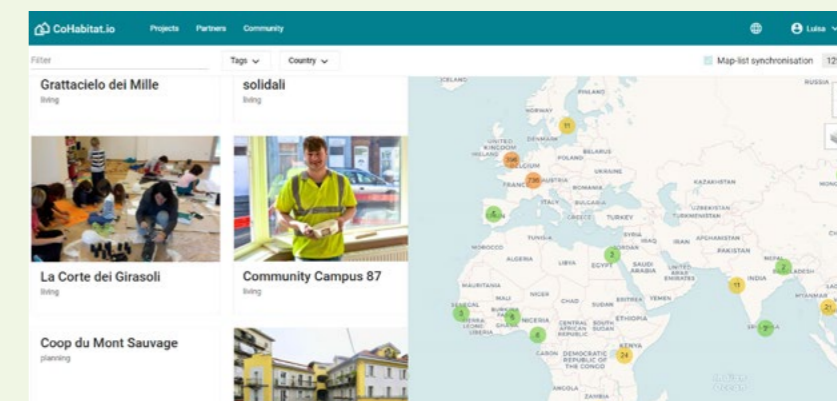
WORLD HABITAT

World Habitat is an independent charity working internationally to help bring the best housing to the people who need it the most. World Habitat is the organizer of the annual World Habitat Awards rewarding inspiring initiatives from across the world and providing opportunities for peer learning.

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- » Global study: Community-led Housing in the COVID-19 context
- » Study on citizen financing mechanisms for affordable housing production in Africa
- » The Growth of Community Land Trusts in England and Europe

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