



**Mr Denis Coderre**

President Communauté  
métropolitaine de Montréal

Nairobi, 15 April 2015

Dear Mr. Denis Coderre,

I would like to thank you for the interest of the Communauté métropolitaine de Montréal in hosting a high-level thematic meeting in the process towards the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) to be held in Quito, in October 2016.

Following the procedures established by the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee for Habitat III and given the quality of your proposal which better fulfills all specifications and requirements needed for hosting such meetings, I am pleased to inform you that your candidacy has been selected to organize a Habitat III meeting.

Regional and thematic meetings are meant to ensure an inclusive and focused discussion among all actors on sustainable urban development contributing to the final outcome. The Habitat III Conference will be of particular relevance towards reinvigorating the global commitment to sustainable urbanization and focusing on the formulation and implementation of a New Urban Agenda.

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I hope you will achieve successful discussions that bring new perspectives, reflections and experiences into the Habitat III preparatory process, as well as increased awareness of the role of cities and human settlements.

I would appreciate if the preparations for the event could be initiated by a conversation with Ms Ana B. Moreno (moreno3@un.org), Habitat III Coordinator, to discuss the details of your proposal as well as next steps.

Cordially,

Dr. Joan Clos

Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on  
Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

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