



NATIONAL URBAN FORUM

Vranje, April 23-24, 2026

AGENDA

Day 1 – Thursday, 23 April 2026			OPENING
Time	Topics	Speakers	
10.30-11.00	Registration for the first day of the Forum and welcome coffee		
11.00-11.30 Room 1	OPENING REMARKS	Predrag Matović, Assistant Minister for Spatial and Urban Planning, Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure (MCTI) Đorđe Milić, Director of the Agency for Spatial and Urban Planning of the Republic of Serbia, ASUPRS (video message) Slobodan Milenković, Mayor of the City of Vranje Ivan Milivojević, Vice secretary general of the Standing Conference of Towns and Municipalities (SCTM) Matilde Mordt, UN Resident Coordinator in Serbia (video message) Anaclaudia Rossbach, Executive Director, UN Habitat (video message)	
Day 1 – Thursday, 23 April 2026			PLENARY SESSION
Time	Topics	Room 1	Speakers
11.30-12.10	HOUSING ISSUES AND OVERVIEW OF THE HOUSING POLICY IN SERBIA		Dušan Radonjić, Assistant Minister for housing policy, MCTI Svetlana Ristić, expert for housing policy
12.10-12.20	Exhibition Housing 25		Slaviša Kondić, Faculty of Civil Engineering and Architecture (GAF), Niš
12.20-13.00	European perspective and Vienna Housing Policy		Michaela Kauer, director of the Vienna Liaison Office in Brussels (video message)
	Global perspective on housing		Ombretta Tempa, UN Habitat (on-line presentation)
13.00-14.00	Lunch		
Day 1 – Thursday, 23 April 2026			SPECIAL SESSIONS
Time	Topics	Speakers	
14.00-15.30 Room 3	YOUTH ON HOUSING POLICY AND HOUSING POLICY FOR YOUTH <i>Moderator: Anđela Stevčić</i>	Vukašin Stefanović, GAF, PhD student Julija Ilić, GAF, PhD student Marko Marković, GAF, student of the final year	
14.00-15.30 Room 1	INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING POLICY <i>Moderators: Tijana Živanović Milić, Klara Danilović</i>	Jelena Šćepanović, representative of the Union of Municipalities of Montenegro Levan Asabashvili, Spatial and Urban Development Agency, Georgia Borjan Maksimović, City of Biljeljina, Republika Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina Julijana Stavervski, Agency for Spatial Planning of the Republic of North Macedonia Michael Engel, GIZ	
14.00-15.30 Room 2	IMPACT OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT DATA ON HOUSING POLICY – EXAMPLE OF VLR NIŠ <i>Moderators: Siniša Trkulja, Jovana Antić</i>	Tanja Obradović, MCTI Ivan Radulović, City of Kragujevac Mirjana Spasić, Municipality of Surdulica Rada Manić, ASUPRS Telman Maharramov, UN Habitat	

Day 2 – Friday, 24 April 2026		PARALLEL SESSIONS
Time	Topics	Speakers
9.30-10.00	Registration for the second day of the Forum	
10.00-13.00 Room 1	NATIONAL URBAN DEVELOPMENT POLICY	<i>Moderators:</i> <i>Tijana Živanović Milić, Žaklina Gligorijević</i>
10.00-10.20	Findings of the <i>Ex-post</i> analysis of Sustainable Urban Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia (SUDSRS), expert input and status of the SUDSRS revision and development of the new Action Plan	Tijana Živanović Milić, ASUPRS
10.20-10.40	Presentation of the program EU INTEGRA – EU Support to Integrated Territorial Development	Aleksandra Koneski Mladenović, advisor for infrastructure in EU Integra
10.40-11.00	URBACT program with examples from Sombor (development of the Great Bačka Canal)	Rade Mirković, Ministry of European Integration, Dragana Siljanović Kozoderović, PUC Prostor, Sombor
11.00-11.20	Discussion	All participants
11.20-11.40	Coffee break	
11.40-12.00	Green, Liveable and Resilient Cities Programme – Public Spaces	Igor Miščević, World Bank
12.00-13.00	Challenges of spatial and urban planning from the local to the national level - panel discussion	Jelena Marković, chief city planner Vranje Zoran Radosavljević, MCTI Olivera Školjević, MCTI Nikola Krunić, IAUS Tatjana Cvetković, Public enterprise Urbanism Construction, Vranje
10.00-13.00 Room 2	LOCAL URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING POLICY	<i>Moderators:</i> <i>Siniša Trkulja, Tanja Obradović</i>
10.00-10.20	Alignment of local policies with Sustainable development goals – from data to action	Aleksandra Šiljić Tomić, UNEP Representative of Čićevac municipality
10.20-10.40	Local Infrastructure and Institutional Development Project (LIID) – achieved results	Milica Minić, Marijana Radovanović, LIID Project Implementation Unit
10.40- 11.00	Resilient Cities	Michael Engel, Danica Belić, GIZ
11.00-11.20	Local Urban Development and Housing Policy in the Municipality of Mtskheta in Georgia	Gogi Abuashvili, Mayor of Mtskheta municipality, Georgia
11.20-11.40	Coffee break	
11.40-12.00	Urban study of open public spaces and a manual for their design	Danijela Bobić, UNDP Branislav AntoniĆ, Faculty of Architecture, Belgrade
12.00-12.20	Guidelines for adapting to climate change at local level	Slobodan Milutinović, SCTM Associate
12.20-12.40	Open public spaces and quality of life in the cities of Serbia and their residential zones	Sonja Jovanović, Faculty of Economy Milena Dinić Branković, Faculty of Civil Engineering, University of Niš
12.-40-13.00	Discussion	All participants

10.00-13.00 Room 3	NATIONAL HOUSING POLICY	<i>Moderators:</i> <i>Klara Danilović, Sonja Golubović</i>
10.00-11.20	Panel discussion: 10 years of the Housing and Building Maintenance Act	Marko Arsenijević, Association of Professional building managers Aleksandar Vešović, Serbian Chamber of Commerce Register of professional building managers Maja Petković, MCTI Danijela Bandović, energy manager City of Vranje
11.20-11.40	Coffee break	
11.40-12.40	Social housing policy and new housing models	Sonja Golubović, Dijana Veljković, MCTI Dejana Đorđević, Statistical Office of Serbia Ana Džokić d.i.a. Zlata Vuksanović Macura, Institute of Geography Jovan Cvijić, SASA
12.40-13.00	Results of the implementation of the Regional Housing Programme	Danijela Nedić, vice-commissioner, Commissariat for Refugees and Migration
13.00-14.00	Lunch	
Day 2 – Friday, 24 April 2026		Room 1
14.00-15.00 Room 1	CONCLUDING REMARKS	Parallel Session Moderators Audience Discussion ASUPRS/MCTI City of Vranje SCTM UN Habitat - Regional office for Eastern Europe and Central Asia

Room 1 – Main stage of the "Bora Stanković" Theater

Room 2 – Great Hall of the Vranje City Assembly

Room 3 – Hall of the Pčinjski District Administration

Participants who are unable to attend in person can follow the Forum via Zoom links.

Presentation „Study on Protection of Cultural Heritage of the Central Zone of the City of Vranje” Ivana Cvetković, Institute for Protection of Cultural Heritage, Niš, Biljana Stojanović, PE for Urban Planning and Construction, 23rd of April at 15.30 followed by the city tour of Vranje at 16.00.

Exhibition “Housing 25”, Gallery of National Museum, Heroja sa Košara street, bb