# SAFETIPIN NEWSLETTER

Building a world where everyone can move around without fear especially women and other excluded groups.

## **New@ Safetipin**

### MySafetipin App now in 3 new languages for the World Urban Forum!

The MySafetipin App is now available in three new languages - Polish, Ukrainian, and Romanian in addition to English, Hindi, Spanish and Khmer. Download the app on <u>Playstore or Appstore now</u>.



### World Urban Forum 11

The World Urban Forum (WUF) is the premier global conference on sustainable urbanization convened by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat). The WUF was established in 2001 by the United Nations and is held every two years. This year the 11th session of WUF will be held in Katowice, Poland from 26-30 June 2022. This is the first time WUF is organized in a hybrid model and users can participate by registering for the events. To know more about the forum, click <u>here</u>.

# Women's Assembly: Women Leading Peace, Security, Resilience, Care, & Economic Recovery: A Pathway to Transform Cities for Better Future - June 26, 11:00-18:00 CET

The Women's Assembly at the Eleventh World Urban Forum (WUF11) is a key meeting point for participants working to build sustainable, gender-responsive, and inclusive cities. In line with WUF11's theme of "Transforming our cities for a better urban future", it will focus on how the implementation of the New Urban Agenda (NUA) plays a key role in contributing to inclusive urban development. The meeting aims to discuss gender inclusion through a wider lens which accounts for the multiple exclusions women face while living in cities worldwide. Click <u>here to know more about the event</u>.

## Safetipin @ World Urban Forum 11

The Safetipin team will be in Katowice, Poland at the World Urban Forum (WUF11) from 25th to 30th of June, 2022 and will be participating at the following sessions. If you are at WUF11, join us for the events!

### Panel Discussion at the NIUA Pavilion: Building Capacities for Universally Accessible and Inclusive Cities - June 27, 14:00-15:00 CET

At WUF, NIUA is collaborating with the All India Institute of Local Self Government (AIILSG) to host a session on 'Building Capacities for Universally Accessible and Inclusive Cities.'

The session will discuss the need for training and capacity building in designing universally accessible and 'Inclusive for ALL' cities. Further, it will discuss the learning of the ongoing training programs under the BASIIC program in collaboration with various partners and stakeholders.



## **Urban Library:** Shaping the Future of Mobility - Data Governance for Sustainable Development - **June 28, 14:15-15:15 CET**

In the Global South, detailed data on movement patterns and mobility exist but are often not accessible to decision-makers and cities lack the know-how to use them correctly. In this sense, the event aims at showcasing the importance of harnessing the power of more accurate data. Through better and more inclusive data collection, planning and monitoring, cities can kick-start a transformative change in the transport sector by enabling data-driven decision-making for a more sustainable future.

This session is organized as a collaboration between CAF - Development Bank of Latin America and TUMI – Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative and aims to provide an overview of the data ecosystem, its stakeholders, processes, and governance in Latin America.

To know more about this event, click here.

**Networking Event:** Feminist perspectives on cities - the intersection of theories and praxis: Latin American and Caribbean Women and Habitat Network - **June 29**, **12:30-14:00 CET** 

This networking event will talk about feminist perspectives in the cities and the right that women have to use and enjoy the cities. This session aims to recognize the work of grassroots women in diverse neighborhoods and territories working to implement an urban agenda. It also aims to make visible the leading role of women in feminist urbanism.

To know more about the event click here.

### **Networking Event:** Using Data to Strengthen City Safety Strategies in eThekwini Municipality - eThekwini Municipality - **June 29, 14:30-16:00 CET**

In South Africa, like in other developing countries, women and girls face multiple challenges daily. Most women perceive themselves to be particularly unsafe while moving around the city. For cities to be accessible for women, the provision of accessible, reliable, and affordable transport is essential. To address this challenge, Soul City Institute and Safetipin collaborated to use technology to collect different levels of data to inform interventions toward making public spaces and public transport safer.

This event will showcase the way in which different technology tools have been used to collect quantitative, qualitative, and spatial data to improve the safety and accessibility of public spaces in Durban.

To know more about the event, click here.



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#### Speakers

Ms. Nomusa Shembe, eThekweni Municipality (Video)

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- Mr. Sandile Mbatha, eThekweni Municipality
- Ms. Phinah Kodisang, Soul City Institute (Video)
- Ms. Barbara Holtmann, Soul City Institute
- Mr. Juma Assiago, UN Habitat Safer Cities
- Ms. Kalpana Viswanath, Safetipin
- Ms. Sonali Vyas, Safetipin







# **Networking Event:** Using Technology and Data for Livable Cities - Think City - June 29, 16:30-18:00 CET

Think City, a social purpose organization based in Malaysia in collaboration with Safetipin, undertook a pilot project on using data to make cities resilient, liveable, and inclusive in two cities of Malaysia, namely Johor Bahru and Kuala Lumpur in 2020 and 2021, respectively.

This session introduces the tools and the metrics developed for assessing the public space in Malaysia. The project report will be launched at this event, along with a brief presentation on key findings of the public spaces from both cities. There will be a panel discussion involving the speakers who will discuss Technology for Livable Cities, including how the data is crucial to building equitable, resilient, and liveable cities.

Click <u>here to know more about the event.</u>

Training Event: Methodologies based on open-source tools. Evidence-based neighborhood and city-wide strategies - Lima Como Vamos - June 30, 09:00-11:45 CET

The training session aims to develop practical skills to encourage the use and development of methodologies based on open-source tools that facilitate the evaluation of the urban structure performance at a neighborhood and a city-wide scale.

The presenters will share the main motivations for the development of the methodology, the variables for its application, the way in which they use the information for decision making, and the impact it has had in the contexts. This session specifically contributes to the SDG target 11.7, which aims to "provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children, older persons and persons with disabilities". Click <u>here</u> to know more about the event.



Voices from City Event: Gender Friendly Cities for a Better Urban Future: Global Coalition on Safe and Inclusive Spaces for Women & Girls -June 30, 13:00-14:30 CET

This session will address Dialogue 1 for Building Equitable Urban Futures collectively as a Global Coalition of groups working on gender-inclusive cities. The speakers in this session will highlight some of the successes and challenges that led to such praxis from the perspectives of local government, grassroots women, civil society actors, and technology for change.

This event will be linked to the review of SDG 5 processes as well as address challenges in the built environment by amplifying voices from select cities. To know more about the event, click <u>here</u>.











# **Networking Event:** Innovation and digital technology for the participation of gender and youth in urban planning and design - Her City - **June 30, 14:00-15:00 CET**

Participatory processes are key for planning a city that works for everyone. If we let citizens that are rarely heard by the experts, our cities and communities will become more inclusive, equal, and sustainable. This session will gather a range of actors and partners – Block by Block Foundation, Global Utmaning, UN-Habitat Palestine, MethodKit, Inhabit Place, Red Dot Foundation, Johannesburg Development Agency, UN-Habitat Lebanon, and GoDown Arts Centre – to showcase the use of digital tools and their application in the various flagship projects with a focus on results and impact.

To know more about the event, click here.

### **Events @ Safetipin : May-June**

## **TUMI Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative 2022 -** "Feminist Infrastructure – the Future of Inclusive Mobility"



The International Transport Forum organized various plenaries and workshops over the three days of May 18-20 this year to share initiatives and innovations, discuss challenges and discover solutions in the transportation sector. As a part of the event, TUMI (Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative) organized a day-long event on the 17th of May focusing on Transforming Transport Infrastructure that began with a session titled "Feminist Infrastructure – the Future of Inclusive Mobility."

Kalpana Viswanath from Safetipin was invited to the conference, where she shared her insights on gender being one axis in the inequitable world, and how economic deprivation and digital inequality must be continually addressed. Read more about the event from 'Gender Analysis Toolkit' to 'The future of inclusive mobility, as Kalpana recounts the key conversations from the ITF in her new blog <u>here</u>.

### IUDX Workshop Event - Using data to build Gender-Friendly Cities

On 27th May 2022, India Urban Data Exchange (IUDX) organized a session discussing 'Using data to build Gender-Friendly Cities' in their workshop series. The event focused on how data and technology can be deployed for making our cities safer and gender-friendly, in a world where cities are often designed, planned, and managed without the input and perspective of the diversity of people who live in them.

Kalpana Viswanath from Safetipin presented at the event and discussed how women (especially from vulnerable groups) are constrained by fear, violence, and inequitable social norms and the key role that data can play in providing evidence as well as a roadmap for change. She discussed the diverse projects Safetipin has worked on in various cities by harnessing technology as an enabler for making cities more gender-inclusive and equitable.



### EFUS Event - How can digital tools make cities safer and enhance social cohesion?

On the 9th of June, EFUS organized the 3rd Be Secure Feel Secure (BSFS) dissemination web conference on ICT tools that are at the disposal of citizens and aim to enhance social cohesion and the feeling of security. The event focused on how digital tools can make cities safer by facilitating the involvement of citizens in the co-production of urban security policy.

During this event, Kalpana Viswanath presented Safetipin, and the diverse work done with a gender lens in the spatial realm by using technology and web applications as a tool.

### Podcast: Safetipin x Architecture Off-Centre

Kalpana Viswanath from Safetipin and Vaissnavi Shukl from Architecture Off-Centre, engaged in a conversation highlighting unconventional design perspectives, practices, and research projects that reflect emerging discourses within the design discipline and beyond. In this podcast, Kalpana talks about the subjective nature of safety in urban areas, and how it ranges from data and statistics, to how one 'feels' while traversing through that part of the city.

Listen to the podcast on spotify here.

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