From Chattanooga to Chennai: Reporting on Population and Sustainability in an Urbanizing World

10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Location: Meeting Room 3

All conference attendees are welcome to attend this workshop. RSVP is required: please respond directly to Meaghan Parker to attend and for a detailed agenda.

By 2050, seven out of ten people will live in cities — and almost all urban population growth will be in developing countries. Join journalists from Cambodia, Kenya, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, and Uganda for a workshop on reporting about this rapidly urbanizing world. Will the growth of today’s new cities outpace efforts to encourage sustainability? Will coastal cities be able to prepare for the impacts of climate change even as their size increases? How can reporters tell the stories of these complex demographic changes and their impacts on our environments, our health, and our economies in new and innovative ways?

Agenda

9:30-10:00 a.m. Breakfast, Welcome and Introductions
Speaker: Roger-Mark De Souza, Woodrow Wilson Center

10:00-11:00 a.m. Eight Billion Stories: Reporting on People and the Planet
Speakers:
Zofeen Ebrahim, InterPress Service/DAWN
Dingaan Mithi, JournAIDS (Malawi)
Ken Weiss, Freelance Journalist and Author, Los Angeles Times Multimedia Series, "Beyond 7 Billion"

11:00 a.m.-Noon. Cities, Coasts, and Climate Change: Case Studies
Speakers:
Imelda Abano, President, Philippine Network of Environmental Journalists
Ameto Akpe, Business Day (Nigeria)
Tim Wheeler, Reporter, The Baltimore Sun (invited)

12:15-1:45 p.m. Lunch and Live From the Wilson Center: The Demography of Adaptation to Climate Change (webcast)

2:00-3:30 p.m. Visualizing Demographic Change: Using Maps, Graphics, and Video
Speakers:
Caroline D’Angelo, Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting
Sam Eaton, Homeland Productions
Willie Shubert, Senior Program Coordinator, Earth Journalism Network, Internews

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