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**TG40 – Informal Settlements**

**Sustainable Livelihoods in the Informal Settlements**

**Final Report TG40**

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*During its meeting in March 2005 in Madrid, Spain, the CIB Program Committee decided to terminate CIB TG40 on Informal Settlements, as it has completed its program and reached the end of its mandate. The commission W110 on Informal Settlements and Affordable Housing, presented in the News article available [here](#), will continue on the same topic but with a broader Scope & Objectives.*

*Below follows a summary of the final report produced by TG40.*

**Introduction**

The book is the result of joint work by former CIB Task Group 40 on "Informal Settlements", during the period 2002 until 2004. Some independent work by members of former TG40 on the topic have also been included. The aim of this report is to collect research result on informal settlements sustainability, responses to hazards, and how people can participate in the improvement of informal settlements. Creating

sustainable livelihoods in the informal settlements is very important to provide decent settlements and housing for all, better integrate informal settlements into urban areas, and respond appropriately to hazards and disasters.

Three continents reports have been compiled by:

- J.V. Bujanda E and Liana Arrieta de Bustillos, and Peter Kellett for Latin America.
- Happy Santosa, Dewi Septanti and the Team of Laboratory for Housing and Human Settlements for Asia.
- Paul Chege and Michael Majale, and Mark Napier and Margot Rubin for Africa

Special thanks and appreciations are directed to all writers in this book.

**Summary**

The book consists in 3 chapters with the following contents:

**Chapter 1:**

Informal settlements processes and technology transfer in Latin America including:

- A review of sustainable informal settlements processes
- A case study on public risk in the urban neighbourhoods
- Technology transfer proposal in sustainable housing construction in urban environment

**Chapter 2:**

Sustainable livelihoods and technology transfer in the informal settlements in Asia:

- Review of sustainable informal settlements housing for all
- Micro credit system for housing finance in comprehensive kip and social rehabilitation on slums area program in Surabaya, Indonesia
- Housing for tsunami disaster victims in Aceh, Indonesia

**Chapter 3:**

Participatory planning and responses to informal settlements and hazards in Africa

- Review of sustainable informal settlements
- Managing environmental and disaster risks affecting informal settlements: lessons from Southern Africa
- Participatory urban planning in Kitale, Kenya

**Format**

The book is published as a downloadable electronic document from CIB's website at [www.cibworld.nl](http://www.cibworld.nl) under the section Databases/Publications.

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