

# Global Homelessness and the Path Forward:

An Overview of the Issue  
and its Place on the UN  
General Assembly's Agenda

**Thursday, September 7, 2023**  
**10:00am EST | Baha'i International  
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In the coming weeks, UN Secretary-General António Guterres will present a report on homelessness to the 78th session of the UN General Assembly on the progress and challenges related to homelessness (A/RES/76/133). Staying true to our mantra, "don't talk about us, without us," this parallel event will provide a space to hear from thematic experts, Member States, civil society, and individuals with a lived experience in an open dialogue setting. It will give those interested in the issue of homelessness the opportunity to discuss the drivers, good practices from various state and non-state stakeholders, policy recommendations, and what the path forward is for addressing homelessness within the UN system. Together, we must ensure that the momentum achieved on homelessness continues so that the hidden homeless will no longer be left behind.

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## SPEAKERS

- **Moderator: Jean Quinn, DW**, Executive Director of UNANIMA International
- **Ms. Vero Henintsoa Andriamiarisoa**, Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission of Madagascar to the UN
- **MaryAnn Dantuono**, NGO Representative of the International Association of Charities to the UN
- **Francesca Lionetti**, UN-Habitat
- **Dr. Ifeyinwa Ofong**, NGO Representative of WorldWIDE Network Nigeria to the UN
- **Hantamalala Rafalimanana**, United Nations Focal Point on Housing (TBC)
- **Freek Spinnewijn**, Director of FEANTSA
- **Maryann Broxton**, Main Representative to the UN for the International Movement ATD Fourth World