



Consultative Workshop

**“Defining a Good Local Governance
agenda for Karachi”**

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Movenpick Hotel (Sheraton), Karachi

Programme

Saturday, 3rd September 2016 (Movenpick Hotel, Karachi)

Time	Activity
4:00 – 4:15 pm	Registration of Participants
4:15 – 4:30 pm	Welcome Address <i>Ms. Amber Alibhai</i> <i>General Secretary, Shehri-CBE</i>
4:30 – 5:00 pm	Highlighting Karachi's Governance problems <i>Sameer Hamid Dodhy</i> <i>Member Shehri-CBE</i>
5:00 – 5:20 pm	Tea Break
5:20 – 6:00 pm	Challenges to viable local governance in Karachi <i>Farhan Anwar</i> <i>Urban Planner and Member Shehri-CBE</i>
6:00 – 6:20 pm	Ideas, suggestions and recommendations for improved Local Government <i>Mr. Junaid Mukati,</i> <i>Parliamentary Leader of Jamat Islami in City Council Karachi</i>
6:20 – 6:40 pm	Ideas, suggestions and recommendations for improved Local Government <i>MPA Khurram Sher Zaman</i>
6:40 – 7:00 pm	Ideas, suggestions and recommendations for improved Local Government <i>MPA Syed Sardar Ahmed</i>
7:00 – 7:20 pm	Ideas, suggestions and recommendations for improved Local Government <i>Senator Taj Haider</i>
7:20 – 8:20 pm	Question & Answers
8:20 – 8:30 pm	Vote of Thanks/Concluding Address
8:30 – 9:30 pm	DINNER

Defining a Good (Local) Governance Agenda for Karachi City

It is accepted universally that the mandate for urban planning is best within the sphere of local government. As such, this tier of local government should be adequately empowered to sanction and facilitate the viable growth of urban settlements.

This has been an issue of concern in Pakistan that local government has not been truly empowered and as a result the process of urban growth has also suffered. In addition are concerns about the capacity of city governments to bring about the required change. This matter is of particular concern in the case of Karachi, that has its unique set of challenges when it comes to ensuring sustainable growth. A city of over 20 million, it suffers with disposing its garbage, in providing quality public transportation, in protecting its public spaces from encroachments, in ensuring quality water supply, amongst other things.

Now, as the elected representatives of the city of Karachi prepare themselves to sit in the city council, there is a need to highlight the challenges, address the causes and try to work out an agenda that can best serve the citizens. Forging a workable relationship is essential between the province and the city, where both tiers of government, rather than conflicting or confronting, compliment each other's work. There is also a need for the city government to explore potentials for partnering with civil society and develop models of participatory development.

Shehri-Citizens for a Better Environment is taking this opportunity to organize a stakeholder workshop - **Defining a Good (Local) Governance Agenda for Karachi City – on Saturday, 3rd September 2016 (4:00 pm) at Movenpick Hotel, Karachi** to brainstorm ideas and models of city governance for Karachi where all stakeholders can collaborate to make urban governance transparent, accountable and sustainable.

You are invited to attend the programme. Kindly confirm your participation at the given contact numbers: Tel# (021) 34530646, 34557335 or email us at info@shehri.org