

## NEWS

### **Innovative Cities - Tokyo - 15 - 16th October 2015**

Metropolis was invited to participate during the Innovative Cities Forum in Tokyo during 14 - 16 October 2015 . The forum provided platform for urban leaders, managers and practitioners to discuss and debate on the future design of our cities and interventions of science and technology. The forum provided compelling examples and projects demonstrating that innovation can potentially could change the way we traditionally design and built our cities and urban communities. The Tokyo forum attracted international thought leaders, Mayors and practitioners to debate about design of city now and its profound effect on humanity for future generations. It concluded with a strong message that Urban Growth and Urban Design can't continue to follow the historical path of planning & development and Science & Technology must be brought to the forefront of future design of our cities. Program details at <http://icf.academyhills.com/en/>

Metropolis representative also participated in a roundtable discussions forum attended by Japanese city mayors, key urban leaders and practitioners on Innovative Cities: Future of Cities and Ageing Societies Roundtable. The round table discussions was hosted by World Economic Forum in conjunction with Mori Foundation on 15 October 2015. The roundtable discussed all aspects of planning, development and management to cater for ageing societies within our cities. It attracted a lot of city leaders to present a very compelling and socially sensitive issues at the forefront of discussions. The roundtable explored the gap of policy frameworks and lack of financial resources to cater for ageing societies within our cities. A short report on the roundtable is attached.

Metropolis was represented by Senior Advisor Mr Sunil Dubey to participate and present Metropolis case studies during the Tokyo forum and WEF roundtable. Mr Dubey is Metropolis representative and member of World Economic Forum's Future of Urban Development & Services Advisory Board.