

CITY LEADERSHIP LABORATORY



World Association  
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# SAFER SMARTER CITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

17 October 2016

## Habitat III

### Room R7

Casa de la Cultura  
Ecuatoriana "Benjamin  
Carrion", Avenida 6 de  
Diciembre, Quito, Ecuador

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11am to 12pm

a SIDE EVENT by the UCL City Leadership Laboratory & the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

Can smart technologies make our cities safer for everyone? Or are smart cities a risk too far for local authorities attempting to manage complex strategic outcomes? This action-oriented workshop explores how digital technologies can give voice to women's experience and contemplates the role of government in responding effectively.

The session will present findings from the UN-Habitat's Technical Working Group on Safer Smarter Cities, exploring practical examples of how digital technologies are promoting safety outcomes in cities across the world. WAGGGS will also present data gathered through U-report (a platform designed to aggregate and amplify the voice of young people to speak out on issue that matter to them) on girls' and young women's experiences and perspectives. Through our global U-report poll, we will be able to develop a clearer understanding of the challenges girls' and young women face in navigating urban space and gain insight into what they consider to be the best solutions. As an interactive session we will allow space for participants to reflect upon and share how they plan to use digital technologies to promote safer cities for women in their own organisations. Participants are also invited to join an on-going community of organisations, governments and institutions who are interested in developing knowledge and action in this area.

The studio is hosted by the **UCL City Leadership Laboratory** and the **World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts** in collaboration with **UNICEF**.

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