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The Future of Urban Living Post Pandemic Consultation Programme Agenda

Friday, 22nd January 2021
2.00pm – 5.30pm

Consultation Design

The consultation programme has been designed with several principles in mind:

- **Maximize collaborative working time.** The consultation has been designed to maximize the time for participants to work closely with each other in small group break out groups. This will facilitate optimal information exchange and network experience.
- **Harnessing Collective Insight.** The participants are experts in each of the topic areas. The design of the programme has aimed to harness the collective intelligence and experience of the participants in order to produce new insights and perspectives about the future of urban living in the new post pandemic context

Organisation of Consultation

In designing the Consultation, the aim has been to:

- **Bring together 20 - 25 invited global experts.** The consultation guests are from key areas such as climate change, energy, food, smart cities, agriculture, urban planning, architecture, transportation, sociology and work. These individuals bring recognised expertise to the discussion but, equally importantly, a clear sense of the relationship between their expertise and the future of urban living.
- **Review the scenarios and outcomes from the previous Future of Urban Living consultation.** The 2018 consultation developed plausible scenarios for the future of urban living in 2050. These scenarios will be tested in light of the Covid-19 global pandemic and discussion on various aspects of urban living will be held in small break out groups to ascertain if these scenarios are still valid. Some of the issues to explore are:
 - Has the pandemic redefined cities?
 - If so, what will be the long-term consequences and changes resulting from this redefinition?
 - How do we best prepare for such changes?
 - Are our previous assumptions still valid and consistent, or has the pandemic changed the trajectory and course of people moving to cities and of becoming an 'urban dwelling species'. Are potential changes elastic or non elastic?
 - With all the implications of social distancing, mandatory face coverings and other pandemic requirements, the way people live in close proximity to each other has altered. Have people retreated into their insular bubbles? Will 'normality' return?
- **Understand the complexity of the topic.** This consultation process will outline the complex and interrelated forces that are combining to shape the future of urban living in 2050 and the impact of the Covid-19 global pandemic on these forces.

Expected Outcomes

- **Report.** The results from the consultation will inform a 'Future of Urban Living Post Pandemic' report, which will be published by Future iQ.

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Programme - UPDATED 20 January

Time	Details
13:45	Arrival and Check-In
14:00	START - Welcome to the Consultation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gary McKeone, Programme Director, St George's House • David Beurle, CEO of Future IQ • Introductions from participants (brief self introduction)
14:20	Review of Future of Urban Living Consultation findings – 2018 (Presentation)
	<p>Discussion on findings and outcomes, and exploration of impact of pandemic, including overarching areas of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Globalization ○ Next Industrial Revolution technology ○ Climate change
14:50	Set up of working group sessions and introduce notions of elasticity and amplification of trends.
15:00	Breakout groups – Societal Evolution of Urban Living Topics Participants to work in preassigned breakout groups to explore the impacts of the pandemic, and the 'post pandemic' implications for the following topic areas:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Social fabric and structure ○ Distribution of power and influence ○ Geographic and demographic distribution ○ Future city lifestyles – impact of automation
15:30	Group report out Each group to provide report out to whole consultation (max 5 min each)
15:50	Comfort Break
16:00	Breakout groups – Changing Cityscape of Urban Living Topics Participants to work in preassigned breakout groups to explore the impacts of the pandemic, and the 'post pandemic' implications for the following topic areas:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Built environment (including workplaces, public spaces) ○ Smart Cities and application of technology ○ Resource cycle (Food, Water, Material etc.) ○ Movement and mobility
16:30	Group report out Each group to provide report out to whole consultation (max 5 min each)
16:50	Comfort Break
17:00	Group Discussion and Conclusions
17:20	Concluding Remarks
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gary McKeone, Programme Director, St George's House • David Beurle, CEO of Future IQ
17:30	FINISH

