## REPORT OF THE ELECTORAL PROCESS OF THE GAP WOMEN'S GROUP

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The electoral process was an agreement of the members of the GAP, to initiate the democratic regularity in the representation of the Constituted Groups in the same.

In some cases, it was decided to remain Co-Chairs who participated in the formulation phase of the New Urban Agenda, to take advantage of their acquired experience and use it in the design and implementation of strategic frameworks for advocacy and follow-up in the implementation of This New Urban Agenda. That was the case of the Women's Group that decided the permanence of its members, being subject to re-election to the most senior Co-Chair in the group, Mrs. Teresa Boccia.

The electoral process was attended by the following actors.

### **ACTORS OF THE ELECTORAL PROCESS**

1) The voters of the process, we decided that they were the ones who answered the Survey of Knowledge, Doings and Queries of the members of the Women's Group, which provides strategic information for future activities in this group, particularly as a promotional space and incidence of the New Urban Agenda.

The league of this survey is: https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/Mujeres Women en GAP

- 2) The candidate was the Co-Chair most senior in this position: Teresa Boccia.
- 3) The Electoral Body was headed by the second Co-Chair, Magdalena García Hernández, supported logistically by the organization that nominated her to this position, the Huairou Commission.
- 4) Electoral observers were appointed by the General Chair and Co-Chair of the GAP.
- 5) The means of dissemination of the process are: a) the GAP website and b) the websites of the organizations that support this electoral process.

At the beginning of this process we point out that this electoral procedure can be perfected by the GAP Women's Group for future elections, where there are even representations by regions of the world.

#### **ELECTORAL PROCEDURE**

The nomination of the candidate Teresa Boccia to occupy the representation of Co-Chair of the Women's Group of the GAP, was supported by the ASSOCIATION FEMMES EUROPE MERIDIONAL, AFEM, according to the established requirements.

To collect the vote a questionnaire was drawn up in SurveyMonkey and detailed explanations of the process were presented in the emails in which the league was sent to exercise the vote.

In order to base this process, according to the established terms of reference, the questionnaire presented the Declaration and a brief summary of Teresa Boccia so that the voters had information of the candidate to decide their vote. The questionnaire provided open questions whose answers will be systematized and will serve as inputs in the team work that is planned.

### **RESULTS**

The vote came mainly from members of the board that was built in the process towards Habitat III.

# **General information**

- ? The request to vote was sent to 353 potential voters
- $\bigcirc$  No information on the electoral process was received by 9 persons, who are part of the updated GAP Women's Group registry.

### Vote

- There were voters from 25 countries and 4 continents.
- They voted 102 people, 101 women and one man. <sup>1</sup>
- There were five invalid votes:
  - ➢ One voter did not respond to the Survey of Knowledge, Doings and Queries of the members of the Women's Group.
  - **➣** Two voters responded extemporaneously.
  - ➤ One voter reported that she would vote for another GAP group.
- $\stackrel{\circ}{\rightarrow}$  There were two voter abstentions within the established voting period.
- **♀** The valid votes in favor of Teresa Boccia were 95 (ninety-five).

# THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO ALL PARTICIPANTS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Detailed voter information is enclosed and your privacy is strictly requested.