

# 2016 Strategic Innovation Summit on *Affordable Communities Everywhere*

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**T**HROUGHOUT THE WORLD, THE NEED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR OUR GROWING POPULATION IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE.

Citizens are looking towards their governments to provide not only services, but a path to a higher standard of living and affordable housing. The 2016 Summit on Affordable Communities Everywhere (ACE2016) is convened to gather senior leaders from government, education, and the private sector to discuss and find solutions to this growing, global problem.

The immediate global need for affordable housing is estimated to exceed 400 million units. Moreover, each year more citizens are qualifying for and demanding better housing options from their leaders. Solutions to this problem must extend beyond publicizing the latest ingenious invention or erecting a pile of cheap houses, actions which only further strain an already fragile environment and infrastructure.

The solutions must start with a comprehensive urban plan and then deliver not just an affordable home, but a vibrant and sustainable new community that provides a healthy and safe environment for people to flourish.

To help leaders define, evaluate, and bring these kinds of integrated housing solutions to their cities and countries, the Technology and Entrepreneurship Center at Harvard with support from Barcelona Housing Systems is convening senior public and private sector executives for the 2016 Strategic Innovation Summit on Affordable Communities Everywhere (ACE2016).

Held at Harvard University in Cambridge, MA, the Summit provides an unprecedented opportunity to learn from, and network with, the world's leading disruptive thinkers and innovators within the sector, as well as Harvard faculty and researchers, and select executives from the affordable housing and finance community.

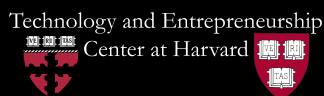


The Summit will examine housing solutions from the perspective of “The Doctrine of the Three D’s – Dignity, Durability, and Delight,” developed by Prof. Vijay Govindarajan and Jack Wilson at Dartmouth College. The agenda will build upon this framework, identifying relevant parameters that define each “D” relating to affordable and sustainable communities. To further the conversation, Summit participants will be allowed to dive deep into questions concerning the efficient development, management, and evaluation of existing and proposed projects launching around the globe.

This Summit is an invitation-only program for senior-most executives in the public sector, industry and higher education. Other applicants will be reviewed and accepted on a case-by-case basis. As attendance is limited, we encourage you to apply soon. This event is complimentary, and there is no tuition fee to attend. However, travel and hotel expenses are the responsibility of individual participants.

Learn more about the Summit and apply to attend at:  
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