



### News



#### These are The Best Cities for Tech

Savills Tech Cities in Motion 2019 ranks 30 cities by six categories: Business Environment, Tech Environment, City Buzz & Wellness, Talent Pool, Real Estate Costs and Mobility.



Danish Economist Chosen as new UN Environment Chief



Why Cities are Enlisting Their People to Help Govern

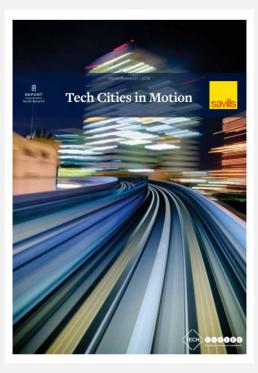


How & Why to Create a Culture of Innovation in Transportation Agencies



How technological progress can cause urban fragility

## Knowledge



#### **Tech Cities in Motion**

The Savills Tech Cities index measures what makes a successful Tech City. Our assessment for each city comprises of over 100 individual metrics, ranging from the number of days needed to start a business through to the cost of a flat white coffee. These metrics are grouped into six categories: business environment, tech environment, city buzz & wellness, talent pool, real estate costs, and mobility. Each category is weighted to reflect its importance to the tech sector. Tech Cities are outperforming other global centres. GDP across the 30 Tech Cities is forecast to rise by 36% in the next decade, against a rate of 19% across other developed cities. New York has emerged as the premier Tech City in this year's index, overtaking San Francisco.

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## **Opportunities**



2019 UN Global Climate Action Awards

(Deadline: 30th April 2019) Starting today, organizations, cities, industries, universities, governments, and others taking bold leadership on climate change can nominate their work for a UN Global Climate Action Award.

- <u>Open Call for Transformative Cities Initiative</u> (Deadline: February 28th, 2019)
- <u>Good Practices, Success Stories and Lessons Learned in SDG</u>
  <u>Implementation Call for Submissions</u> (Deadline: February 28th, 2019)
- Intern Special Projects, Operation, University of Chicago (Deadline: February 28th, 2019)
- Intern Urban Transformation, Cities, George Washington
  University (Deadline: February 28th, 2019)
- Local Migration Expert, Consultant (Deadline: 4th March 2019)
- Secure Tenure in African Cities: Micro Funds for Community Innovation (Deadline: 14th March 2019)
- World Habitat Awards 2019 (Deadline: 31st March 2019)
- Community-Led Habitat Awards 2019 (Deadline: 31st March 2019)
- One Planet City Challenge (Deadline: 7th July 2019)

# **Events**



### The First UN-Habitat Assembly (27-31 May 2019 2019)

The first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly will be held from 27-31 May 2019, at the headquarters of UN-Habitat in Nairobi. The special theme for the UN-Habitat Assembly, as discussed during the twenty-first meeting of the Subcommittee on Policy and Programme of Work of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (CPR) held on 30 November 2018 and endorsed during the 71stRegular meeting of the CPR on 4 December 2018 is: "Innovation for Better Quality of Life in Cities and Communities".

- <u>MUNI World 2019: Global Brainstorming on Smart Cities Facing Urban</u> <u>Terrorism</u> (26th to 28th February 2019)
- World Cities Congress 2019 (13th to 15th March 2019)

- <u>2nd Mayors Summit On The Future of Europe</u> (21st March 2019)
- <u>Day Of Cities 2019</u> (8th April 2019)
- Smart and Healthy Transport in Cities (April 9th to 10th 2019)
- 2nd Annual Smart Cities (April 22nd to 23rd, 2019)
- <u>Child In The City International Seminar</u> (May 20th to 21st, 2019)
- URBAN FUTURE Global Conference (May 22nd to 24th, 2019)
- Future Cities Summit 2019 (May 24th, 2019)
- The First UN-Habitat Assembly (27th to 31st May 2019)
- <u>6th European Conference on Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans</u> (17th to 18th June 2019)
- Velo-City 2019 'Cycling for the Ages' (June 25th to 28th 2019)
- 2019 Urban Resilience Summit (8th to 11th July 2019)
- International Conference on Canadian, Chinese and African Sustainable
  Urbanization (ICCCASU) (11th to 15th July 2019)
- <u>16th International Conference on Urban Health</u> (4th to 8th November 2019)
- The Tenth Session of the World Urban Forum (2020)

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