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The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) presents its compliments to UN-Habitat and has the honour to refer to the documents to be considered by the 2020 First Session of the Executive Board, 31 March to 2 April, 2020.

Chinese Permanent Mission appreciates the efforts by the Executive Director and staff of the Secretariat to develop comprehensive documentation to the Member States. Chinese Permanent Mission would like to deliver some comments on Annex 4: Partnership Strategy, which will be presented in the attachment in the revision mode.

The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China to UN-Habitat avails itself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of its highest consideration to UN-Habitat.

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Financial Institutions and Development Banks, especially the World Bank and IFC, IMF, African Development Bank, the Asian development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Islamic Development Bank, the European Bank for Reconstruction, European Investment Banks, the Asian ~~Bank on Infrastructure Investment Development Bank~~ must become key strategic partners of UN-Habitat, including in implementing the Strategic Plan 2020-2023. Important efforts are underway to rethink engagement with international and regional development banks to mobilise resources needed to carry out the work of the organization and leverage investments in sustainable urbanization. In this regard, as a prelude to the development of an action plan, UN-Habitat has developed a concept note (UN-Habitat Strategy with Development Banks), which explores avenues to strengthen collaboration with development banks in view of supporting cities as they implement the SDGs and the New Urban Agenda.

UN-Habitat has strengthened its engagement with **private-sector organizations**, notably in the area of innovation and frontier technologies. These partnerships (e.g. Microsoft, Airbus, etc.) explore the role of urban intelligence (use of artificial intelligence in cities to help make informed decisions and deliver services such as water, transport, security, waste management, and clean energy to improve quality of life for all) in helping cities' leaders make more informed decisions and in creating feedback loops between communities and the urban environment. A corporate private sector strategy is being developed (to be ready by 31 December 2019) to provide specific approaches and levels of engagement with the private sector in the implementation of the Strategic Plan 2020-2023.

With regard to **other stakeholders**, civil society and academia are ~~keyable to participate in~~ advocacy, programme delivery as implementing partners, knowledge generation and sharing of good practices, ~~monitoring and evaluation as well as resource mobilization~~. As members of thematic and cross-sectoral networks, professional bodies, and umbrella groups, advisory boards, other stakeholders contribute to ~~shaping of policy~~, research and data analysis. UN-Habitat has established several mechanisms that have enhanced stakeholder participation in the agency's work, including: the Stakeholder Collaborative Implementation Framework, an internal stakeholder steering committee and external stakeholder advisory board launched at the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly. ~~Stakeholders are always consulted during the preparation of corporate documents such as the Strategic Plan 2020-2023, especially on the key priority areas and methods of engagement with UN-Habitat~~. Stakeholders are ~~also~~ engaged in strategic dialogue sessions such as the Global Stakeholders' Forum which takes place ahead of sessions of the UN-Habitat Assembly and the World Urban Forum. The Global Stakeholders' Forum provides an opportunity for stakeholders to formulate coordinated contributions on the issues discussed by Member States.

Foundations and philanthropists play an important role in supporting governments and other stakeholders at all levels to implement sustainable urban development related policies and programmes. Efforts are also underway to establish relevant strategic partnerships in support of the implementation the Strategic Plan 2020-2023.

Knowledge Partners

Knowledge and innovation partners are essential to increase the production, dissemination and use of evidence-based data and information at all levels to ensure real time information is produced to support sustainable urban development policies and programmes, and design workable solutions to meet the challenges posed by rapid urbanization. In this regard emphasis will be placed on academia, researchers, practitioners, think tanks, civil society, grassroots organisations and other stakeholders that produce information and document high impact programmes and best practices, with a likely influence on policy change and transformation in peoples' lives.

Table 1: Partner engagement strategies by partner types

Target Partner	Objective	Strategies
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Promote joint programmes, resource mobilization, advocacy and programming at national level and incorporate sustainable urban development activities in UNSDCF's. Resource mobilization, advocacy and dissemination of good practices and innovative solutions.
4. Development Banks and Financial Entities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Contribute towards addressing sustainable urban development challenges, especially through innovative financial solutions, advocacy, and technical support for implementation of the SDGs, new urban agenda and relevant outcomes of the Strategic Plan. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthen linkages with development banks and Bretton wood institutions notably to support the implementation of the flagship programmes at country level. Collaboration and cooperation on joint programmes and research, data analysis, monitoring of selected SDGs, development and testing of tools and relevant innovative instruments that facilitate sustainable urban development sustainable urban development at all levels. Strengthening the linkage between development banks and financial institutions with cities and local governments.
5. Private Sector	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Increase investment in sustainable urban development at all levels. Promote social inclusion, human rights, resilience and environmental sustainability by all partners. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare a private sector strategy to support increased private sector investments in sustainable urban development including corporate social responsibility. Strategic dialogues with private sector and business associations at all levels to develop synergies needed to support the implementation of the Strategic Plan. Co-create tools and guidelines and provide opportunities for increased just investments in cities and human settlements. Connect private sector investors with cities and local governments through various approaches and monitor compliance with human rights standards.
6. Civil Society and other stakeholders	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Representation of partners in policy dialogues, programme design and implementation. Advocates and implementing partners of the NUA and SDGs. Financial and technical support to all stakeholders in the implementation of sustainable urban development related policies and programmes. Enhance knowledge, innovation and sharing information, good practices and data on sustainable urban development 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Uphold at all times the principle of leaving no one behind during implementation of the strategic plan. Establish coordination mechanisms at all levels to promote alignment, participation and contribution of the civil society and other stakeholders in the implementation of the Strategic Plan, including as members of various UN-Habitat networks, advisory boards and National Habitat Committees. Encourage regular multi stakeholder dialogues self-assessment, peer to peer learning, strategy setting, and engagement in intergovernmental processes. Encourage people's process at all levels Mobilise new partners and build knowledge and capacity of civil society and other actors
7. Knowledge Partners (Academia, Researchers, Professionals and other stakeholders, etc.)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance knowledge innovation and sharing information and data on sustainable urban development. Increase knowledge, the evidence base and good practices on sustainable urban development. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Involve knowledge-based institutions in generating the evidence base, good practices, and advocating on sustainable urban development activities at all levels. Utilize think tankers, harness the expertise of professional associations and umbrella bodies frontier technologies and innovation in finding solutions to sustainable urban development challenges. Facilitate collaboration between knowledge and all other partner groups and enhance dissemination of data and information and the sharing of good practices with other actors. Co-create programmes and contribute to policy, strategy development and capacity building at all levels.
8. Foundations and philanthropists	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and expand foundations and philanthropists interested in 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Establish coordination mechanisms and build capacity to catalyze the interest of foundations and philanthropist in