Draft Capacity Building Strategy for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals and the New Urban Agenda

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Objectives of the Capacity Building Strategy

1- Fill institutional and operational gaps within UN-Habitat for greater impact and better coordination, **coherence and monitoring of results**

2- Improve delivery of capacity building services to Member States, local governments and other key urban stakeholders for **greater impact and resource efficiency**
Problem Analysis and Opportunities for Action

• Capacity gaps to ensure sustainable urbanization
• Increasing demand for capacity building support by the United Nations
• UN-Habitat’s internal capacity building challenges
Principles and Values of the Strategy

**Principles**
- Consistent review of capacity building needs
- Prioritization for impact and scale
- Contextualization
- Strategic partnerships and coalitions
- Capacity-building as a cross-cutting function throughout UN-Habitat’s work
- Corporate standards and quality assurance
- Innovations for efficient and effective capacity building

**Values**
- Respect for Human Rights
- Inclusiveness
- Sustainability
Expected Outcomes and Specific Objectives

• **Expected outcomes**
  - For people and their organizations
  - For UN-Habitat excellence in delivery of services
  - For UN-Habitat institutional environment

• **Target groups**
  - UN-Habitat’s offices and staff
  - National and local governments
  - Key stakeholder groups
  - Intermediate cities and towns and cities in fragile environments
Key Strategic Actions

a) Institutional anchoring of capacity building as a cross-cutting function

b) Integration into programming and quality assurance

c) Promote innovation and new technologies for capacity building

d) Stakeholders engagement and partnerships, with a focus on academic and training institutions

e) Financing for capacity building
Implementation

- Develop a yearly implementation plan
- Prioritization of activities: catalogue of services, common country analysis / UN sustainable development cooperation frameworks, etc.
- Budget and staff allocations