Adoption of the Guidelines

Secretariat actions requested by Member States:

A **concept note** on the implementation of a review process for the Guidelines;

Development of an **inter-agency framework**;

The allocation of **voluntary financial resources**, for the effective implementation of the Safer Cities Programme and partnerships;
Resolution 1/2 on safer cities

Terms Of Reference for the Peer Review Mechanism
JOINT PROGRAMMING WITH UNODC ON SAFER CITIES

The two agencies have finalized the joint programming framework building on an MOU signed in 2018.
PROGRESS REPORT
Resolution 1/3 on enhancing capacity-building for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the urban dimension of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,
Draft a Strategy for Capacity Development to be presented to the Executive Board for validation [current session];

Develop, in accordance with the strategic plan for the period 2020–2023 and within the scope of available resources, a strengthened and integrated capacity-building approach;

Support Member States in their efforts to mobilize human and financial resources to develop and implement capacity-building programmes.
Intensive internal and external consultations on Draft Strategy

The draft capacity-building strategy has **two pillars:**

1. Improved internal **organizational set-up** for efficient and coordinated delivery and monitoring and

2. **Broad-based partnerships** to service member states and urban stakeholders


**Draft yearly implementation plan** to illustrate roll out ready
Ongoing capacity building support

Global level

➢ Prioritizing digital capacity building

➢ Update and develop the Learning Page of the Urban Agenda Platform

➢ Capacity-building toolkit on the New Urban Agenda: New Urban Agenda Illustrated and online crash course on the New Urban Agenda
Welcome to the Urban Agenda Platform

The global platform for sharing progress, action and knowledge on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda to achieve sustainable urban development.

New Urban Agenda Crash Course

The course explains and illustrates the New Urban Agenda in an easy-to-remember format. The course is intended for anyone with an interest in sustainable urbanisation. It is particularly useful to public civil servants, local government officials, architects, urban planners, NGO workers and volunteers, and employees of international organisations.

After taking the course, you will be able to:
- Explain the timely importance of the New Urban Agenda and sustainable urbanisation
- Understand and describe various dimensions and concepts of the New Urban Agenda
- Implement important concepts of the New Urban Agenda in practice

START LEARNING
Ongoing capacity building support

Country level

➢ Support to the establishment of a Center of Excellence on housing and urban sustainability in the WAEMU region (8 West African countries, starting 2020 together with the regional office for Africa)

➢ Strengthen the partnership with the International Urban Training Center in Korea and build on this experience to further develop similar approaches in different regions

➢ Ethiopia: Partnership with renowned training institutions to develop training toolkits attention to government and cities representatives from all regions
PROGRESS REPORT
Resolution 1/4: Achieving gender equality through the work of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme to support inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable cities and human settlements
Resolution 1/4 on gender equality

Scope of the resolution

1) Two-fold gender strategy:
   a) Mainstreaming gender equality and women’s empowerment into UN-Habitat’s normative and operational work
   b) Setting policies and programmes towards achieving gender equality and women’s empowerment

2) Partnerships

3) Engagement with Advisory Group on Gender Issues (AGGI)

4) Revised Gender Policy and Plan (2020 – 2023)
Resolution 1/4 on gender equality

• Use of **Project Review Committee** to strengthen Leaving No One Behind (gender, social inclusion)

• **UN-Habitat Policy and Plan for Gender Equality** and other guiding documents under review


• **Focus on strategic partnerships** on gender, human rights and other social inclusion issues (ex. UN Women, UNAIDS, OHCHR)
Resolution 1/5 on enhancing urban-rural linkages for sustainable urbanization and human settlements
Scope of the Resolution

- The resolution requests the Executive Director [...] to develop mechanisms [...] for enhancing urban-rural linkages and calls upon the Executive Board of UN-Habitat to consider possible implementation options.

- The resolution [...] encourages Member States to take into account urban-rural linkages in [...] development planning policies and processes [...].

- The resolution requests [...] to raise awareness [...] regarding the impact of urban-rural linkages on sustainable urbanization, territorial cohesion and national development.

- The resolution requests [...] to disseminate and share good practices and policies relating to the impact of urban-rural linkages [...].

- Finally, the resolution requests [...] to assist Member States, upon request, in developing policies and programmes to address migration from rural to urban areas.
Resolution 1/5

TRAINING MANUAL

THEMATIC GUIDES

- A GUIDE FOR MAINSTREAMING URBAN-RURAL LINKAGES IN NATIONAL URBAN POLICIES
Webinar series on urban rural linkages and COVID-19: migration, food systems and nutrition, markets/economics.

2,500 participants in 5 sessions

Online repository of case studies

Issue brief on ‘Urban-Rural Linkages: Guiding Principles and actions for COVID-19 response and recovery’
Outcomes WUF 10 and First International Forum on Urban Rural Linkages (Songyang Consensus).

Workshops in Niger State, Nigeria; Zanzibar, Tanzania; and Cameroon

Workplans co-development with partners (UCLG, UNCCD, Market cities, FAO, CBD, GROOTS Kenya)
Resolution 1/5

Public events: Urban Rural Assembly in Germany Technical University of Berlin and Green cities virtual - FAO 75th UN General Assembly.

Urban-Rural Partnerships 2020 Sessions - Ministry for Education and Research of Germany
PROGRESS REPORT
Decision 1/3 on arrangements for the transition towards the new governance structure of UN-Habitat – Stakeholder engagement policy
Further decides, on an exceptional basis, to entrust the Executive Board with continuing discussions on, and completing as soon as possible, the development of a **UN-Habitat stakeholder engagement policy**, as requested by the Governing Council in its resolution 26/7, with a view to its provisional implementation on the basis of consensus, and to submit the draft policy for consideration and possible approval by the United Nations Habitat Assembly at its second session.
Progress on Decision 1/3 on Transition Arrangements – Stakeholder Engagement Policy

• At the Executive Board Meeting of 29 June 2020, the Chair of the Ad-hoc Working Group on the Stakeholder Engagement Policy recommended that the group continue with its work only when possible to have physical meetings. Due to the nature of the issues under discussion by the group, it was noted that these matters would require in-person negotiations.

• On 10 September 2020 the Bureau appointed a new Chair of the working group, Pakistan and a Co-Chair, Malawi following the departure of the previous Chair.

• The new Chair and co-Chair will provide guidance on when the next meeting of the Ad-hoc working group on Stakeholder Engagement Policy will be held to primarily consider organizational matters.
THANK YOU!