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Countries represented under Eastern European Group

1. Albania
2. Armenia
3. Azerbaijan
4. Belarus
5. Bosnia and Herzegovina
6. Bulgaria
7. Croatia
8. Czech Republic
9. Estonia
10. Georgia
11. Hungary
12. Latvia
13. Lithuania
14. Montenegro
15. North Macedonia
16. Poland
17. Republic of Moldova
18. Romania
19. Russian Federation
20. Serbia
21. Slovakia
22. Slovenia
23. Ukraine

Contributions to EEG by Domain of Change

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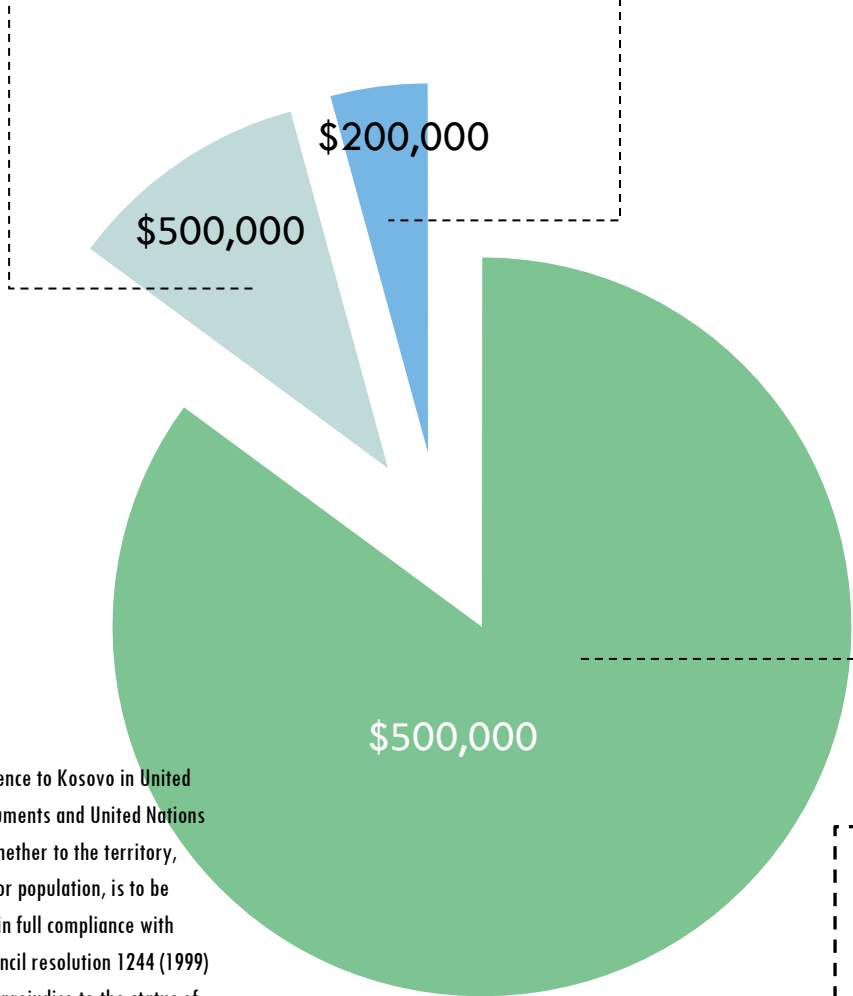Enhanced shared prosperity of cities and regions

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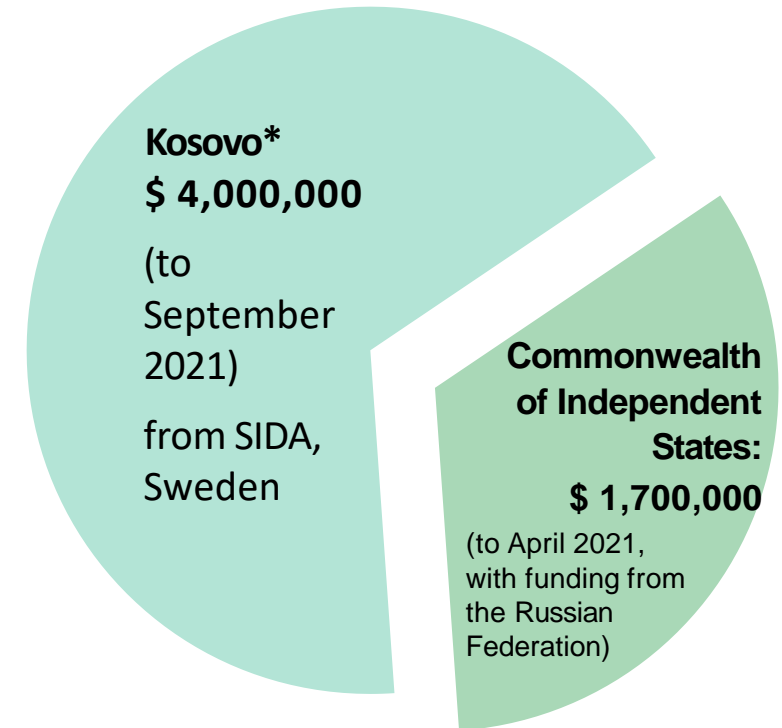Enhanced shared prosperity of cities and regions

Domain 1
Reduced spatial inequality and poverty in communities across the urban-rural continuum

$200,000

$500,000

$500,000

Total Contributions to UN-Habitat Strategic Plan for EEG

Kosovo*
$ 4,000,000
(to September 2021)
from SIDA, Sweden

Commonwealth of Independent States:
$ 1,700,000
(to April 2021, with funding from the Russian Federation)

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Domain 4
Effective urban crisis and prevention and response

(Some of these countries are in the EEG, and others in Asia-Pacific)

UN-Habitat actions with and within Europe (EU Member States)

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Support to the implementation NUA within Europe	Contribution to European urban policy debate	Support to development cooperation and humanitarian activities in other parts of the world
Through project "URBAN2030", UN-Habitat supports the deployment of SDGs indicators at the local level. Through URBAN MAESTRO , UN-Habitat leads a pan-European effort to document and understand European practices for the informal governance of urban design.	(internal to EU): UN-Habitat is an active participant to meetings of the Urban Development Group (UDG) and contributes to policy debates on the implementation of the Urban Agenda for the EU (UAEU) (external to EU): UN-Habitat acts as an adviser to the European Union Programme on "International Urban Cooperation" (IUC).	EU and its Member States are long-standing supporter of UN-Habitat activities in emerging economies, developing countries and crisis contexts. European Commission is among top donors of UN-Habitat. Ca. $400 million of earmarked contributions in the last decade.

Regional UN System Meeting for Europe and Central Asia
on COVID response in the Western Balkans and IBC updates

UNECE: shared understanding with EU on COVID-19 crisis in the Western Balkans: health situation, the socio-economic impact and government responses.

EU: shares the analysis of the UN regarding the challenging situation in the Western Balkans. The EU support to the coronavirus crisis and recovery takes the form of financial assistance.

UN and the EU to work hand in hand connectivity, green recovery and social issues. Dialogue between civil society and governments, awareness of intersecting forms of discrimination and gender-sensitive investments should be encouraged. Among other priorities, digitalization will be an important driver of the recovery.

Issue-based Coalitions for Eastern Europe and Central Asia

- Mainstreaming urban development into environment/ Climate Change and Migration IBCs; urban IBC engagement and joint programming with UN entities (in close collaboration with UN-Habitat Brussels Office).
- Active role in regional coordination of Socio-Economic Recovery Frameworks at country level.

Regional Joint Programming

- Implementation of the **regional programme on Smart Sustainable Cities** (UNDA T12) together with UNECE.
- Finalization of the **Evidence-based policies for sustainable housing and urban development** (UNDA T10) together with UNECE.
- **Regional urban profiling for the Western Balkans** linking with the CCA processes, building on indicators for monitoring the urban SDG targets, NUA in addition to country level data sets.
- Upcoming joint programme on **Enhanced resilience to COVID-19 through greener cities: harnessing the power of nature for green and cost-effective policy solutions to urban air pollution** (UNDA T14) together with UNEP.

Activities and strategic potential

- Active participation in **UNCT Task Force discussions on COVID-19 Response**, aimed to address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic from short, medium-and long-term perspectives **complementing the national Country Preparedness and Response Plan (CPRP).**

UN-Habitat activities

- Contribution to **joint proposal in assistance to the residing and partner agencies** drawing on UN-Habitats expertise.

- Development of **potential partnerships** to ensure accessible and **inclusive and safe public spaces** in the post-recovery stage of the COVID-19 pandemic.

UN-Habitat's recent initiatives in the Western Balkans and their COVID-19 dimension

Activities and strategic potential

- **The EU support to the Western Balkans** in tackling the crisis and post-pandemic recovery takes the form of financial assistance and alignment of the subregion with the EU response to COVID-19.

- The main goal - to **support the economic recovery** and provide a lifeline for businesses, including through 1.7 billion EUR in grants and loans by the European Investment Bank (EIB).

UN-Habitat activities

- UN-Habitat extended technical advisory services to RCO/ UNCTs in the preparation of **Socio-economic Impact Assessment and Recovery Programmes** in Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Albania.

- UN-Habitat's Office at Pristina has conducted a **feasibility study for a sustainable Social Housing Programme** in Kosovo funded by the Council of Europe Development Bank – CEB which will include **considerations raised by the COVID-19 crisis**.

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Western Balkans and other: Engagement with CCA and UNSDCF

Albania	Starting the CCA/ UNSDCF process, support of the RCO/ UNCT , assessment and strategy development - part of regional programming for the Western Balkans.
Bosnia and Herzegovina	The alignment of activities with the UNSDCF priorities to support UNCT implementation.
Montenegro	Support of RCO/ UNCT in mainstreaming urbanization to the CCA/ UNSDCF implementation.
North Macedonia	Support of RCO/ UNCT in mainstreaming urbanization to the CCA/ UNSDCF implementation.
Serbia	Support of the RCO/ UNCT in the CCA/UNSDCF process.
Georgia	Support of RCO/ UNCT in mainstreaming urbanization to the CCA/ UNSDCF implementation.

Western Balkans and other: Country and territory level engagement

ALBANIA: UNDA T10 regional programme on Evidence-based policies.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA : Potential joint programming with UNDP in launching a "Future of Bosnia and Herzegovina Cities Programme".

GEORGIA

- UNDA T10 regional programme on Evidence-based policies.
- UNDA T12 regional programme on Smart Sustainable Cities.

KOSOVO (UNDERSTOOD UNDER PROVISIONS OF UNSCR 1244):

- Strong focus on Inclusive Development Programme in Northern Kosovo.
- Capital Investment Programmes, supported by Sweden and the local municipalities.
- Feasibility study for a sustainable Social Housing Programme in Kosovo.

MONTENEGRO: UNDA T12 regional programme on Smart Sustainable Cities.

NORTH MACEDONIA: Potential joint programming.

SERBIA: Potential joint programming.

UKRAINE: UNDA T10 regional programme on Evidence-based policies.

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UN-Habitat Kosovo* Programme

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Timeline of UN-Habitat's Interventions in Kosovo

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KOSOVO

Contributing since 1999 to 'improve policies plans and designs for compact, integrated and connected, socially inclusive cities and neighborhoods'

1999: Kosovo Conflict - Report on Consequences for the Environment & Human Settlements (with UNEP)

1999-2002: Housing and Property Directorate and Claims Commission

2000-2003: Kosovo Cadastre Support Programme

2000-2004: Launches Municipal Support Programme (MSP) addressing seven thematic areas for capacity building to enhance municipal administration. Two themes focused on urban planning and building, land development regulations and control.

2000-2004: Launched the Urban Planning and Management Programme (UPMP), including a series of publications on Inclusive and Sustainable Urban Planning

2003-2006: Governance and Development Planning Programme

2005-2006: Supports implementation of the Governance and Development Planning Programme and Kosovo's 1st Strategic Spatial Plan

2006-2016: Launches MuSPP, initially supporting 6 and then 12 municipalities in spatial planning processes, as well as project design and implementation through in-house project development and local-tailored methodologies and tools

2015-... Public Space Programme
-Public Space design and creation through Minecraft
-Enhanced Municipal Markets
-Enhanced Right to City for All

2016... Inclusive Development Programme in Northern Kosovo
-Strengthened capacities of municipal administrations
-Increased local government transparency, responsiveness and accountability
-Integration through inter-municipal and local-central dialogue

1999 To 2000 · 2000 To 2004 · 2003 To 2006 · 2006 To 2016 · 2015 ... · 2016 ... · TO PRESENT

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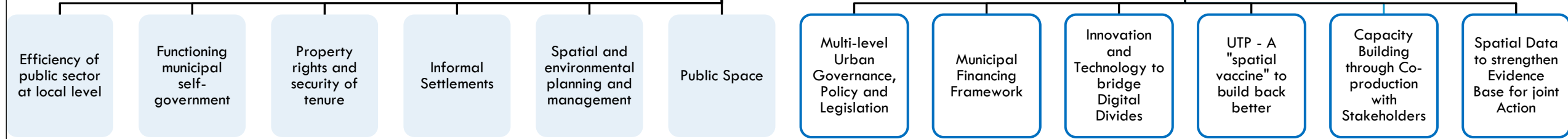
UN-Habitat Kosovo* Programme

... *current engagement*

- Efficiency of public sector at local level
- Functioning municipal self-government
- Property rights and security of tenure
- Informal Settlements
- Spatial and environmental planning and management
- Public Space

future priorities...

- Multi-level Urban Governance, Policy and Legislation
- Municipal Financing Framework
- Innovation and Technology to bridge Digital Divides
- UTP - A "spatial vaccine" to build back better
- Capacity Building through Co-production with Stakeholders
- Spatial Data to strengthen Evidence Base for joint Action

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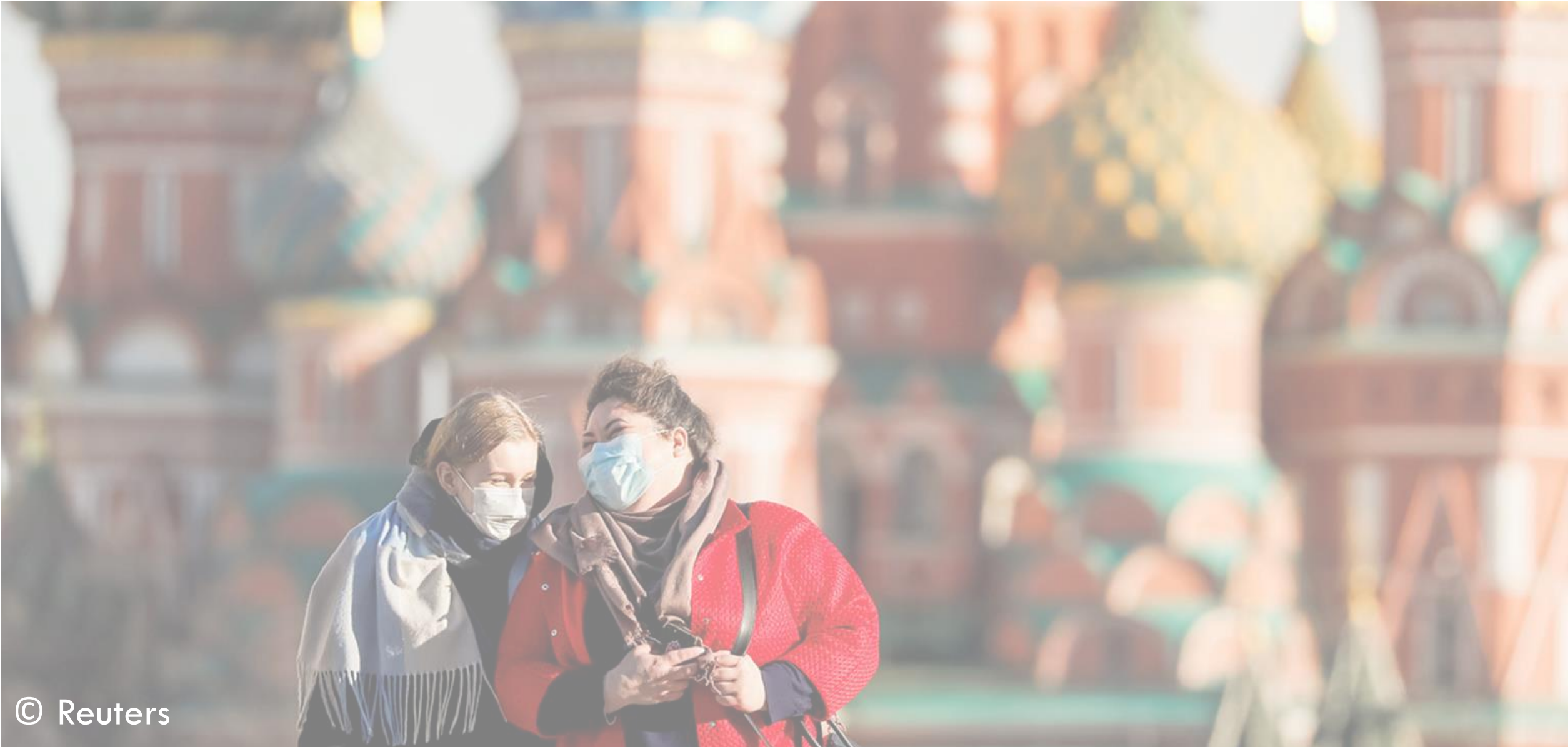
Engagement with CCA and UNSDCF in the CIS

Armenia	Support of the RCO/ UNCT in mainstreaming urbanization to the CCA/ UNSDCF implementation including green economic growth pillar.
Azerbaijan	Engagement with the RCO/ UNCT in the CCA/UNSDCF process.
Belarus	Active partnership in CCA/ UNSDFC process, contribution on: green cities; capacity building; climate change mitigation and; NUP; urban monitoring of the SDGS and NUA targets.
Russian Federation	Engagement/coordination with in the UN team in the country

CIS: Country and territory level engagement

ARMENIA: Potential joint programming on National Urban Policy, housing, inclusive cities.

AZERBAIJAN: Engagement with UNEP and IOM in developing an Adaptation Fund proposal for Caspian Sea Region, inclusive cities.

BELARUS: UNDA T12 regional programme on Smart Sustainable Cities.

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

- First SDG Voluntary Local Review (VLR) for Moscow.
- Partnership Moscow Urban Forum Online Conference "City for All. Wellbeing, Health, Sustainability".
- Funding to UN-Habitat on several initiatives incl. core funding.

MOSCOW VOLUNTARY LOCAL REVIEW

The Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in Moscow

INCEPTION REPORT JUNE 2020

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

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UN-Habitat finalized the first SDG Voluntary Local Review (VLR) for Moscow in December 2020

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

- More than **130 local stakeholders involved**
- close work with **local authorities and federal entities**
- methodology adjusted and adapted to the national context
- Preparation of the **Best Practices compendium**

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