

Regional Groups Consultation

Eastern European States Group

Thursday 15 October, 8:30 am







Agenda

- 1. Opening of the meeting by the Chair of the regional group;
- 2. Welcoming remarks by UN-Habitat;
- 3. Status update on UN-Habitat by the Executive Director including expectations for the upcoming session of the Executive Board and discussions on UN-Habitat's financial status and fundraising strategy;
- 4. Questions, answers and discussions and guidance from Member States;
- 5. Any other matters, including closing remarks.







| Expectations for the Regional Group Consultation

- Priorities of Member States regarding the further implementation of the Strategic
 Plan 2020-2023 in the region
- Feedback from Member States on the implementation and impact of UN-Habitat programmes and activities in Eastern Europe
- Dialogue with Member States about UN-Habitat's financial situation and the resource mobilization strategy
- Submissions of national reports of the New Urban Agenda (NUA) as input to the Quadrennial report of the Secretary General, in preparation for the High Level Meeting of the General Assembly on the progress of implementation of the NUA
- Activities by Member States related to Urban October, including World Habitat
 Day and World Cities Day



Some strategic areas to advance the Strategic Plan in EEG

- Inclusive urbanization and adequate/affordable housing; addressing challenges of "shrinking cities" and de-industrialization; urban regeneration embracing COVID-19 socio-economic recovery;
- Digital transformation and urbanization, placing people at the center;
- Addressing climate adaptation and nature-based solutions; air pollution, urban ecology;
- Basic urban services provision applying principles of circular economy;
- Support UN country teams in mainstreaming urbanization and housing into common country assessments (CCA) an UN sustainable development cooperation frameworks (UNSDCF);
- To focus the work on **Western Balkan Region to European Policy Framework**, looking for promoting implementation of European Green Deal.



| Expectations for 2nd Session of the Executive Board for 2021

- Approval of Work Programme and Budget for 2022
- Discussion on the recalibration of the Strategic Plan following the first meeting of the High Level Mid Term Review of the CPR
- Dialogue with Member States about the financial situation, the financial plan and resource mobilization strategy for the remaining part of the Strategic Plan period
- Building consensus on the transition to the proposed new strategic planning cycle
 2026-2029
- Feedback of Member States regarding normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including global initiatives, flagship programmes, regional and country programmes
- Enhanced engagement of Member States in championing selected initiatives

