

"A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL IN AN URBANIZING WORLD"

# THE STRATEGIC PLAN

2020-2023

UN HABITAT



## Regional Groups Consultation With WEOG

Tuesday 12 October, 1 pm



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# | 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
- Feedback from Member States on the implementation and impact of UN-Habitat programmes and activities with WEOG
- 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



# Key vectors with the European Union

## New approach of the EU to enhanced alignment (co-creation) with UN, rules-based multilateralism

- Assessment of collaboration with the UN entities by the EU
- High-level strategic dialogues envisaged with UN entities
- EU-UN Summit planned but no roadmap yet
- (EU-AU Summit in February 2022 under French presidency of the Council of the EU)

## EU Programming of international partnerships 2021 - 2027

- International partnership instrument at global, regional and country levels with emphasis on the latter
- Expected to be approved December 2021, hence no new agreements in 2021 and perhaps most of 2022
- Very difficult to position sustainable urbanization because of its complexity - especially in Global and Regional strands – just some elements under Green Deal and Climate
- Satisfactory uptake of “urban” priorities in about a quarter of Sub-Saharan Africa countries

## Work with European Investment Bank

- ED’s meeting with EIB President Hoyer Feb 2020 and Joint Declaration of UN-Habitat and EIB
- A/RES/75/224 Dec 2020 OP.16 Encourages UN-Habitat to continue its collaboration with international development banks and the private sector to ensure coherence of policy support and the alignment of large-scale urban investments with the principles of the New Urban Agenda and to facilitate increased investment in sustainable urbanization
- EIB Africa Sustainable Cities Programme
- Establishing coordination with EIB at country level in Africa



# | Expectations for 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

