A better quality of life for all in an urbanizing world
Egypt Programme

Regional Office of Arab States
Outline

- Establishing a UN-Habitat Office
- Case of Egypt
- UN-Habitat Egypt Programme
- Egypt Alignment to the Domains of Change (DoCs)
- UN-Habitat as a Centre of Excellence in Egypt
Establishing a UN-Habitat Office

• Host Country Agreement
• Hiring of staff and establishing an office
• Analysis of the urban context and challenges within the country
• Definition of Government priorities
• Formulation of relevant UN-Habitat programmes (in agreement with the government and in alignment with national and international frameworks and strategies)
• Alignment with the existing UN Country Team and UNPDF
Case of Egypt

- Office was established in 2008
- Signed the Host Country Agreement in 2010
- Analysis of the Egyptian urban context and key challenges
- Analysis of relevant national priorities and strategies along with international frameworks
- Formulation of the UN-Habitat Egypt Vision and Programme
Urban Context in Egypt

• High population growth rate
• Spatial inequalities
• Unbalanced investments distribution between new and existing areas
  ❖ Deteriorated basic services in many existing areas
  ❖ High vacancy rates in new cities
• Unbalanced system of cities and population distribution among 219 Egyptian cities
• Informality and poverty
• Challenging land management mechanisms
National and International Frameworks

Egypt New Constitution 2014

Egypt Long-term vision and sustainable development strategy (SDS) 2030

“Creating a modern, open, democratic, productive, and happy society”

Egypt’s National Strategic Plan for Urban Development 2052

Balanced population distribution

Optimum utilization of geographical location & resources

Environmental risks/ Internal & external threats
UN-Habitat Egypt Vision

Urbanization as a driver of development, equity and improved living conditions for all
Egypt Office Programme Thematic Areas

Country Programme

Urban Governance, Policies and Legislation

Urban Development Programme

Urban Basic Services and Climate Change Programme

Urban Mobility and Climate Change

Water and Sanitation
Egypt Office Programme Thematic Areas

- National Urban Policy
- National Housing Strategy
- Land management
- PFM and Value capturing

- Sustainable urban management
- Strategic urban planning for new and existing cities
- Participatory urban upgrading and development

- Innovative and low-cost solutions
- Bus Rapid Transit
- Bike-sharing
- Clean water provision
- River-bank Filtration
UN-Habitat Theory of Change

Outcomes

Domains of Change

Objective

Effective urban crisis prevention and response

Strengthened climate action and urban environmental improvement

Enhanced shared prosperity of cities and regions

Reduced spatial inequality and poverty

Sustainable urbanization is advanced as a driver of development and peace to improve living conditions for all in line with the SDGs

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UN-Habitat promotes transformative change in cities and human settlements through knowledge, policy advice, technical assistance and collaborative action to leave no one and no place behind

Crosstcutting thematic areas: (1) Resilience; (2) Safety

Social inclusion issues: (1) Human rights; (2) Gender; (3) Children, youth and Older Persons; (4) Disability

1. Monitoring & knowledge
2. Legislation & Policy
3. Urban communication and outreach
4. Partnerships
5. Building capacity and innovation
6. Systems and processes

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Greater Cairo Urban Development Strategy

Leveraging Land in the Arab Republic of Egypt: The besoin for innovative and sound Financing for Urban Development

A study about women’s experiences in Greater Cairo’s public Transportation System

Abdeen Square Development From yesterday to today: An issue of the analysis and decisions
Egypt Programme Performance Enablers: Advocacy, Communication, and Capacity Building

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Egypt Programme Performance Enablers: Advocacy, Communication, and Partnerships

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Egypt Programme Drivers of Change

Supported National Policies and Legislation
- National Urban Policy
- National Housing strategy
- Supported new/revised laws

Urban Planning and Design
- New cities
- Land use planning
- Expansion areas and inner upgrading areas

Governance
- Involvement of local authorities in strategic development plans
- Improving alignment and coordination among various urban actors

Promoting Innovative Financing Mechanisms
- Impact-based finance
- Land-based finance
- Innovative business models
UN-Habitat as a Centre of Excellence in Egypt
Thank you