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Status of implementation of the resolutions and decisions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme at its first session

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The status of implementation of the resolutions and decision

One of the three decisions and the five resolutions adopted at the first session the United Nations Habitat Assembly are relevant to this report of the Executive Director that provides an overview of the status of their implementation:

(a) **Resolution 1/1** on the United Nations Human Settlements Programme strategic plan for the period 2020–2023

b) **Resolution 1/2** on the United Nations System-wide Guidelines on Safer Cities and Human Settlements

(c) **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

(d) **Resolution 1/4** on achieving gender equality through the work of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme to support inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable cities and human settlements

(e) **Resolution 1/5** on enhancing urban-rural linkages for sustainable urbanization and human settlements

(f) **Decision 1/3** on arrangements for the transition towards the new governance structure of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

Resolution 1/1 on the United Nations Human Settlements Programme strategic plan for the period 2020–2023

A. Results framework with performance indicators

An indicator monitoring guide:

- Internal co-ownership for prioritized indicators established within the branch sections, units and communities of practice in the regional offices.
 Baselines will be established between April and June.
- Data collected on the indicators will feed into **quarterly** and annual reports.

Data on the indicators collected from UN-Habitat normative work projects and programmes on strengthening institutions through policy advice, the development of norms and guidelines and advocacy, evidenced by work of local and national governments, universities, civil society, global communities of practice and implementing partners

Resolution 1/1: strategic plan for the period 2020–2023

C. Resource mobilization strategy

Key achievements in 2021 included

- An increase in the number of Member States contributing to core funding
- The Foundation and Philanthropy Platform established a Feasibility Fund as part of the Cities Investment Facility
- Sustainable Human Settlements Foundation will be formally launched during the high-level meeting of the General Assembly
- Additional funding of 7,000,000 Swedish krona (approx. USD740,000) from Sida
- Soft-earmarking modality was adopted by Germany and Switzerland in 2021

D. The methodology and format of the financial plan approved for the implementation of the strategic plan by the Executive Board

E. Results-based management policy

• UN-Habitat project success will be determined by the **transformation** it produces.

"**Result**" = the difference achieved by a development intervention

"Value for money" = the positive change attributable to the work by UN-Habitat.

 Results-based management manual has been completed and staff training on RBM will be organized throughout the year.



Resolution 1/2 on the UN System-wide Guidelines on Safer Cities and Human Settlements

| AODAYS AODAYS SAFER SAFER CITIES CHALLENGE | The Urban Safety Monitor | A prototype self-assessment tool for local governments that covers three broad dimensions: crime, community and governance |
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| | Practical Guidance Notes | Guidance Notes to assist authorities in the implementation process. The modular approach was developed jointly with other UN system entities and will be used to build a Safer Cities Programme toolkit |
| | 40 Days Safer Cities Challenge | Second annual observation from the International Day of Peace on 21 September to 31October 2021 |
| | Implementation Peer Reviews | The UN trust fund for human security provided seed funding to support the peer review process of the implementation of the System-Wide Guidelines on Safer Cities |
| | | Additional financial support sought for from Member States for cities' participation in the peer review |
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| 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

The capacity-building strategy

An updated version of **the implementation plan** for 2022 (HSP/EB.2021/17).

Capacity-building for monitoring the implementation

- The New Urban Agenda Illustrated handbook is among the most frequently downloaded publications on the UN-Habitat website with more than 20,000 downloads by the end of 2021.
- New Urban Agenda "crash course" accessed online by 2,082 participants (English, Spanish).

Digital learning for capacity-building

- UN-Habitat Learn online learning platform page viewed by users from 181 countries.
- Online learning series on monitoring urban
 Sustainable Development Goal indicators.

Collaboration with universities and training institutions

Continued "Habitat UNI" collaboration.

An inventory of current partnerships and innovation potentials with academic institutions.

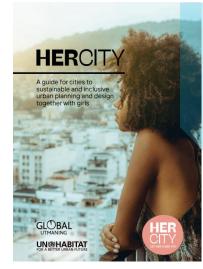


Resolution 1/3 on capacity-building for the urban dimension of the 2030 Agenda (contd.)

New capacity-building tools

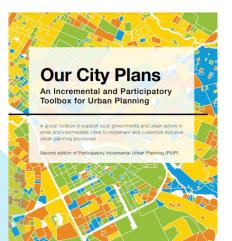


A Handbook: Co-designing built interventions with children affected by displacement



The **Her City** digital platform for increasing gender equality in public space design and urban planning

> **Our City Plans:** An Incremental and Participatory Toolbox for Urban Planning" for small and medium-sized cities inclusive urban planning



Establishment of a centre of excellence for housing in Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Niger, Senegal and Togo, in collaboration with universities of Ouagadougou and Dakar for the funded by the World Bank



Resolution 1/4 on achieving gender equality to support inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable cities and human settlements

Strengthening gender equality and women's empowerment through the normative work and operational programmes of UN-Habitat

- Social inclusion and cross-cutting thematic areas of the strategic plan made prominent as 'safeguards' in the Environmental and Social Safeguards System.
- The '16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence' campaign led to UN-Habitat's participation in a **peer review with cities on intersectional approaches** in their policy frameworks.
- Revision of the terms of reference of the Executive Director's 'Advisory Group on Gender Issues'.
- Revision and update of the 'UN-Habitat Policy and Plan for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women' that ensures reflection and advancement of the global consensus on inclusion, non-discrimination and equality regarding gender in all the Programme's operations.
- Completed the evaluation of UN-Habitat's work on gender equality and the empowerment of women during the period 2014–2019.



| Resolution 1/5 on enhancing urban-rural linkages for sustainable urbanization and human settlements

Technical advisory

- Advising experts in Cameroon, Guinea, Nigeria, and the United Republic of Tanzania on enhanced data collection, analysis and reporting on urban-rural linkages.
- Support to the **Group of 20** in the launch of a platform on territorial development with OECD.
- An event at the **49th Committee for world food security** (CFS) on the role of urban and territorial governance for sustainable, inclusive food systems with FAO, UCLG and others.
- Second International Forum on Urban-Rural Linkages with the Songyang County, China.

Events and advocacy examples:

- Assessment of the impact of COVID-19 on the spatial flows of people and food in the urban-rural continuum in Cameroon, Kenya, Niger State (Nigeria), Senegal and Zimbabwe.
- Design of the first African centre of excellence for urban-rural linkages.

Knowledge product examples:

A synthesis report on Urban-Rural Linkages and COVID-19: Lessons for Resilience and Recovery from Crisis.

| Decision 1/3 on arrangements for the transition towards the new governance structure of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme



- 2021 Urban October:
- 520 events

organized around the world.

- 55 events held on the World Habitat Day theme

"Accelerating urban action for a carbon-free world"



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Advising on enhancing stakeholder engagement in:

- resource mobilization
- monitoring on global commitments
- development of knowledge products
- programme design and implementation
- advocacy through events



Partnership portal to showcase information on partnerships of UN-Habitat



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Background paper of the 11th session of the World Urban Forum reviewed by over 8,000 partners





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