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AGENDA ITEM 11

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IMPLEMENTATION BY UN-HABITAT OF THE REFORMS OF THE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM AND MANAGEMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS
Agenda Item 11—Supporting documents

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- HSP/EB.2022/9: Report of the Executive Director on the implementation by UN-Habitat of the reform of the development system and management of the UN
11: UN-Habitat implementation of the United Nations development and management system reforms – global level

UN SYSTEMWIDE STRATEGY FOR SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT

GUIDES WHOLE OF SYSTEM APPROACH

ORIENTS UN-HABITAT BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENTS WITH UN ENTITIES

FACILITATES ESTABLISHEMENT OF UN TASK FORCE ON FUTURE OF CITIES

ACCERATES HUMANITARIAN-DEVELOPMENT-PEACE NEXUS
11: UN-Habitat implementation of the United Nations development and management system reforms – global level

UN REFORMS AND OUR COMMON AGENDA

HOUSING AND INTEGRATED SOCIAL PROTECTION SYSTEMS

SECRETARY-GENERAL’S ADVISORY GROUP ON LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS

PRESIDENT OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONSULTATIONS ON OUR COMMON AGENDA
11: Key highlights

UN Task Force on Future of Cities in support of the UN reforms

Secretary-General requested Executive Director of UN-Habitat to identify mechanisms to engage cities in intergovernmental and national planning processes, convening 20 UN entities and the Global Task Force on Local and Regional Governments.

USG Turk, UNDP Administrator Steiner, and Executive Director agree to utilize UN Task Force to prepare draft terms of reference for SG Advisory Group on Local and Regional Governments.

UN reforms on peace and security

UN-Habitat strengthening the development-humanitarian-peace nexus:


- Providing technical expertise on inclusive urban planning to build social cohesion and provide durable solution, constituting 60% of UN-Habitat project portfolio.
ADVANCING UN REFORMS AT REGIONAL LEVEL

- UN REGIONAL COLLABORATIVE COALITIONS
- UN-HABITAT REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE COOPERATION WITH REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS
- REGIONAL FORUMS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
- REGIONAL INPUTS TO HLM
OPPORTUNITIES TO ADVANCE UN REFORMS AT COUNTRY LEVEL

• UN RESIDENT COORDINATORS, COUNTRY TEAMS, AND COOPERATION FRAMEWORKS

• LEVERAGING UN-HABITAT PROJECT PORTFOLIO FOR JOINT URBAN PROGRAMMING

• IMPORTANCE OF BALANCE OF PROJECT AND NON-PROJECT STAFF

• ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE -- INTEGRATING HEADQUARTERS, REGIONAL REPRESENTATION AND FIELD OPERATIONS

• NECESSITY OF NON-EARMARKED AND SOFT-EARMARKED FUNDING TO UN REFORM

• DEMONSTRATING JOINT URBAN PROGRAMMING THROUGH PARTNERSHIP WITH SECRETARY-GENERAL’S DEVELOPMENT COORDINATION OFFICE
CONCLUDING MESSAGES:

EXPECTATIONS AND PROPOSED OUTCOMES
OPERATIONAL GOAL: To work in countries where we have a field presence and can leverage projects to develop programs, but also in countries where we don’t have a field presence and have strong demand within the country and from the UN Resident Coordinators.

IMPLEMENTATION MODELS: Field Test effective implementation models (with UNDCO) in order to develop guidance notes for UN Resident Coordinators, and then replicate and scale up.

FUNDING: Call on donor governments that currently fund UN-Habitat to work on this initiative so that together we can demonstrate our new business model. This may encourage other donor governments to support our work.
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