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Proposed structure of UN-Habitat stakeholder engagement policy
Objective: present and get a general approval for a structure of stakeholder engagement policy (principles/modalities, but no accreditation issues, which will be dealt with in a later phase):

Draft structure (derived from comparison with other Stakeholder Engagement Policies in the UN-system)

1. Introduction – stakeholder engagement and participation before, during and after (inter-session) of UN-Habitat Governing Bodies.

2. Purpose of the Policy
3. **Guiding Principles**

a) Decision-making with Member States

b) Participation of Stakeholders in decision-making process (decision shaping) and in agenda-setting

c) Access to information

d) Transparency and Accountability for mutual benefit

e) Respect for diversity of views and self-organisation

f) Local and national Ownership

g) Result oriented

h) Equality and non-discrimination leaving no one behind.
4. Definition of Stakeholders

5. Benefits or Privileges/Engagement of accredited stakeholders
   a) Participation in public events of the UN-Habitat Assembly and its subsidiary organs both virtually and in-person by submitting oral and/or written statements
   b) Access to public documents of the UN-Habitat Assembly and its subsidiary bodies
   c) Contribution to agenda setting
   d) Regular interface with President of Assembly and Chair of Bureau of Executive Board
   e) Contribution to shaping of policies, decisions, programmes, budget, monitoring and evaluation agendas.
6. **Engagement of UN-Habitat**

a) Regular consultations with stakeholders – information sharing, development of policies, strategic plans, annual work programmes and reports.

b) Promotion and facilitation of stakeholder participation – through accreditation, Expert Group Meetings, surveys, advocacy platforms – WUF, WHD, WCD, World Urban Campaigns

c) Organisation of a Global Stakeholder Forum in conjunction with UN-Habitat Assembly

d) Organisation of annual stakeholder consultations – around the work of the Executive Board
Modalities for stakeholder engagement: UN system practices


e) Mobilisation of stakeholders to engage with UN-Habitat

f) Monitoring, accountability and reporting on stakeholder engagement and participation

g) Dedicated Unit/Section/Secretariat as focal point
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7. Responsibilities and obligations of accredited stakeholders
   a) Respect to Rules of Procedure
   b) Communication with UN-Habitat (proof of existence in certain periodicity)
   c) Stakeholder coordination mechanisms, and its operationalization designation of representation: self-organisation while adhering to Guiding Principles.
   d) Commitment to cooperation, collaboration, and coordination while respecting the need for individualism and collectivism.
   e) Provision of feedback through stakeholder satisfaction surveys
8. **Funding**

a) Funding for stakeholder participation in intergovernmental processes, [programme of work and budget]

b) Secretariat to mobilise funding
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