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A) Implementation of the Strategic Plan for the period 2020-2023

The Strategic Plan has proven to be a robust framework for recovery and roadmap to accelerate the implementation of the New Urban Agenda for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The new organizational structure strengthened integrated programming and increased synergies.

Increased focus after internal review 2022 and Common Agenda: Three policy priority areas and two drivers for sustainable urban development have emerged from multilateral processes over the Strategic Plan period.
New Policy Priority Areas

1. **Adequate Housing**
   - The right to adequate housing can support the reduction of poverty, exclusion, and inequality, and strengthen inclusive, planned, and sustainable urbanization.

2. **Climate Action**
   - Urban and local climate and biodiversity action with an emphasis on vulnerable groups, multi-level governance and urban planning.

3. **Urban Crises Recovery**
   - Recognizing cities, local governments, and urban stakeholders as key protagonists to overcome crises and sustain peace can induce transformative shifts in recovery and more sustainable development.

Drivers

- **Localization**
  - SDG localization through multi-level, participatory and inclusive decision-making processes

- **Finance**
  - Strengthening local government capacity to generate revenues from endogenous resources, integrating urban planning in national economic development, and facilitating private investment
Progress made during the Strategic Plan period 2020-2023

Cumulative results under 4 Domains of Change

1. Increased and equal access to basic services, sustainable mobility and public space

2. Improved spatial connectivity and productivity

3. Reduced greenhouse gas emissions and improved air quality

4. Enhanced social integration and inclusive communities

Domain of Change 1:
- Increased and secure access to land and adequate and affordable housing
- Effective settlements growth and regeneration

Domain of Change 2:
- Expanded deployment of frontier technologies and innovations
- Improved spatial connectivity and productivity

Domain of Change 3:
- Improved resource efficiency and protection of ecological assets
- Effective adaptation of communities and infrastructure to climate change

Domain of Change 4:
- Improved living standards and inclusion of migrants, refugees and internally displaced persons
- Enhanced resilience of the built environment and infrastructure
- Expanded deployment of frontier technologies and innovations
Reduced spatial inequality and poverty in communities across the urban-rural continuum

**Result Framework Indicator:** Total population with access to basic services in partner cities

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**Other highlighted impact results:**

- **3.4 m beneficiaries**
  - In 45 countries gained access to basic services

- **50 cities**
  - are now implementing urban and territorial renewal and regeneration initiatives that preserve and protect both natural heritage and tangible and intangible cultural heritage

- **2.32m people**
  - [update] have improved access to 137 safe, inclusive and accessible public spaces.

- **300,052 households**
  - in 6 countries has secure tenure rights to land

- **30 countries**
  - have implemented frameworks that prevented forced evictions.
Enhanced shared prosperity of cities and regions

Result Framework Indicator: Number of partner national and local authorities that have adopted policies and strategies to make use of frontier technologies and urban innovations to improve social inclusion, urban environment, resilience and quality of life

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Additional highlighted impact results:

56 countries are supported in the feasibility, diagnosis, formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the National Urban Policy.

29 local and regional governments have developed their voluntary local reviews (VLRs).

61 cities are at different stages of implementation and are already interacting with the Urban Monitoring Framework.
Strengthened climate action and improved urban environment

Result Framework Indicator: Number of partner national and subnational authorities that have developed and are implementing clean air action plans

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Additional highlighted impact results:

- **170 cities**: In 46 countries had become members of African Clean Cities Platform
- **US$90 m**: Growth in the Adaptation Fund portfolio which supports adaptation of infrastructure to changes in climate in south-eastern Africa, Cambodia, Jordan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Pakistan and Viet Nam.
- **19 Resilience frameworks**: have been developed with UN Habitat in Sub-Saharan Africa
- **47 Member States**: committed to multilevel and cross-sectoral climate action under the COP27 Presidency Sustainable Urban Resilience for the Next Generation (SURGe) Initiative
- **68 cities**: improved municipal solid waste management through the UN-Habitat Waste Wise Cities programme
Effective urban crises prevention and response

Result Framework Indicator: Number of host communities where migrants, refugees, IDPs and returnees communities are actively engaged in cultural, social and economic activities in partner cities

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Additional highlighted impact results:

- Assisted Urban Recovery interventions in conflict areas in the Middle East which have a high concentration of refugees in urban areas and massive displacement.
- Have better living conditions through the implementation of 50 neighbourhood action plans.
- 357 Cities are using participatory methods for data increase quality and ownership of local plans, foster sustainable urban development.
- 31 cities improving access to adequate and affordable housing to migrants.
- 44 cities and communities implemented the City Resilience Global Programme and are now better prepared to confront challenges, shocks and stresses.
- 640,000 beneficiaries.
Main take aways

Outcome oriented nature of the Strategic Plan has strengthened our programming and allowed for more integrates solutions, delivering results across the Strategic Plan.

The alignment with the UN system-wide Strategy on Sustainable Urban Development has created much stronger strategic partnerships with other UN entities.

The Strategic Plan allowed for a much better positioning of UN-Habitat within the broader landscape of actors, based on a better understanding of our added value.
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- stronger evidence-base
- lessons learnt and recommendations
- consultations and alignments with other urban stakeholders (UN, local government networks, etc.)
- monitoring and reporting on project delivery and impact
Evaluation of SP 2020-2023 (OIOS) → Draft Process and Discussions → Approval

Starting Date

UNHA 2023: Approval of SP extension 2024-2025 /Request EB to start preparation of SP 2026-2029

Draft Process and Discussions

Executive Board sessions in 2024

Approval

United Nations Habitat Assembly June 2025

Consultations with
Regional Offices / UNH Staff

Consultations with
governing bodies

Consultations with UN entities and partners
Thank you!

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