President of Assembly,
Madam Executive Director,
Excellencies,

We are meeting today against the backdrop of a cascading global crisis that creates various urban challenges.

It is crucial for today’s Assembly to have a substantive, ambitious and forward looking outcome in ensuring a sustainable urban development policies.

Our work, therefore, should be based within the framework of SDGs and the New Urban Agenda.

As such, allow me to share the following points.

First, we need to stimulate multistakeholder partnership and community-based approach.

The involvement of government at all level, together with communities, and other relevant stakeholders, are crucial in addressing various urban challenges.

For Indonesia, these approach are reflected in our slum-upgrading policies and ensuring a liveable, productive and sustainable urban life for all.

Second, promoting green development policies.

Climate change remains a major threat for many countries, including Indonesia.

We need to continue to promote the implementation of a green and sustainable means of urban development policies.

We have set a roadmap on green development policies, including through the use of renewable energy and carbon neutral economy, as well as green building and infrastructure.

In the development of our new capital city of Nusantara, we aim to fulfil the highest category of green building in line with the concept of smart forest city.

Finally, the need for interlinkages and robust multilateral cooperation.

We need to also ensure that our discussion does not stop here and should be reflected in other relevant processes, both within the UN system, such as SDG Summit, and beyond.

In this connection, Indonesia will be hosting the 10th World Water Forum in May 2024.
Under the theme of “Water for Shared Prosperity”, the forum will contribute in our effort to seek sustainable solution in addressing urban issues.

We look forward to see you at the Forum next year.

Thank you.