Ad-hoc working group on Programmatic, Budgetary and Administrative Matters of the Executive Board

Status of Draft Work Programme and Budget for the year 2024

11 October 2023
Annual Programme Planning and Budgeting Process

Ad-Hoc Working Group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters

Executive Board

Programme Plan Preparation
Programme Plan and Budget
Resource Requirements

CPC
ACABQ

MAIN COMMITTEES
FIFTH COMMITTEE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SG report on review of changes to the budgetary cycle (A/77/485)
Status of Documents

**January 2023**

- **Draft WPB2024**
  - Draft Work Programme 2024 reviewed by PMC on 26 January 2023 and submitted to Ad-hoc WG on PBA on 30 January 2023

**February 2023**

- **Draft WPB2024 Review**
  - Draft Work Programme 2024 reviewed by Ad-hoc WG on PBA on 06 February 2023

**June – October 2023**

- **WPB 2024**
  - Draft Work Programme 2024 submitted to UNHQ on 13 February 2023

- **WPB 2024 Review**
  - Consideration of the WPB 2024 by CPC, ACABQ and Fifth Committee

**October 2023**

- **WPB 2024 Review**
  - Draft Work Programme 2024 reviewed by Ad-hoc WG on PBA

**Approval by the Executive Board and the General Assembly**
Draft Work Programme 2024
A. Programme plan for 2024 (and programme performance for 2022)

Overall Orientation

1. Mandates and background
2. Strategy and external factors for 2024
4. Legislative mandates
5. Deliverables (Cross-cutting)
6. Evaluation activities

Programme of work for 2024: 4 Sub-programmes

1. Objective
2. Strategy
3. Programme performance in 2022
4. Highlighted Results for 2024
5. Deliverables
In 2024, UN-Habitat will continue to promote urbanization as a positive transformative force for people and communities, reducing inequality, discrimination and poverty, and strengthening climate action.

The COVID-19 pandemic and current global crises have clearly shown that adequate housing for all and prosperous, just and green urban futures cannot be realized without inclusive and effective multilateralism, that acknowledges human rights and gender equality, and complements and reinforces national and local efforts towards sustainable development.

Access to adequate housing, SDG localization, climate action and urban crisis prevention and response will remain key priorities in 2024.

While the UN-Habitat programme of work continues to adapt to evolving conditions, financial resources are needed to adequately support Member States, and the Organization will continue to prioritize its work in line with the available resources.
The strategy for delivering the 2024 programme plan continues to be driven by the strategic plan 2020–2025, after approved extension to cover the period *2024–2025.*

UN-Habitat will strengthen the transformative nature of its work and contribute to an enhanced role of Local and Regional Governments in implementing global agreements.
The programme plan for 2024 is based on the following **assumptions:**

(a) Adequate unearmarked extrabudgetary **resources** are available

(b) Countries **commitment** to the New Urban Agenda and 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (SDGs)

(c) National and local governments continue to request for **policy advice and technical assistance** from UN-Habitat to develop and implement their urban policies, plans and strategies

(d) Urban **indicators, data and information** are used to formulate policies, with adequate mechanisms available for impact monitoring and performance assessments

(e) Social, political and macroeconomic conditions will not affect implementation of programmes and projects
## Key Elements of the Strategy for 2024

1. **Focus on pathways to transformative change**, investigate and elevate examples of cities impacted by innovate and progressive policies.

2. **Flagship programmes fast-track integration** of normative and operational work; and scale impact of the organization.

3. Support cities in reshaping **urban planning solutions** that are more suitable and integrate through innovation.

4. Advocacy, communication and outreach activities across the 4 subprogrammes and **mobilize public and political support**.

5. Strengthen **capacity-building** initiatives, digitalization of tools and virtual e-learning. Monitor and report on global conditions and trends and provide evidence for policymaking.

6. **Mainstream social inclusion** on women and girls, older persons, persons with disabilities, children and young people.

7. **Strategic partnerships** with other UN entities and other international organization & actors.
**Subprogramme 1**: further increase the focus on access to **adequate housing** to overcome inequalities and facilitate social inclusion

**Subprogramme 2**: strengthen the focus on **municipal finance** and **socio-economic recovery**

**Subprogramme 3**: increase the **synergies** between programming focusing on **climate change** and **urban environment**

**Subprogramme 4**: focus on **urban recovery** as a key instrument for effective action in the humanitarian, development and peace and security nexus
Subprogramme 1
Reduced spatial inequality and poverty in communities across the urban-rural continuum

Highlighted results for 2024:

- Increased access to **basic services**, sustainable **mobility** and **slum upgrading** programmes to strengthen community **resilience** to pandemics such as COVID 19 in slums and informal settlements.

- Enhanced and expanded **service delivery** by local water and sanitation service providers.

- Increased inclusion in cities and communities through UNH’s Flagship Programme.
Subprogramme 2
Enhanced shared prosperity of cities and regions

Highlighted results for 2024:

- A peopled-centered approach to urban innovation, digital technologies, smart cities and urbanization processes adopted by cities

- Regional spatial development plans in Ethiopia for improved prosperity and balanced socioeconomic development

- Voluntary Local Reviews to enhance the shared prosperity of cities and regionals globally through SDG localization
Subprogramme 3
Strengthened climate action and improved urban environment

Highlighted results for 2024:

- Participatory urban resilience action in sub-Saharan Africa
- Increased climate resilience or urban counties in Jordan and Lebanon
- Natured-based solutions to improve livelihoods and resilience or urban poor communities
Subprogramme 4
Effective urban crisis prevention and response

Highlighted results for 2024:

- A new approach to strengthen city resilience
- Strengthen urban recovery and resilience and improved access to basic services in the Syrian Arab Republic
- Enhanced sustainable solutions to migration
**Foundation: 2024 spending capacity**

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## United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation summary of post changes

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Abbreviations: ASG, Assistant Secretary-General; D, Director; P, Professional

The integration of the following posts will regularize unfunded requirements:

- Deputy Executive Director (ASG)
  *Appointed by the Secretary-General; historically, funded by the Foundation*
- Regional Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean (D-1)
  *All other Regional Representatives were already approved for 2023*
- Senior Legal Officer (P-5)
  *Upgrading the existing P-4 post*
- New Urban Agenda reporting team (P-3, P-2, 2 GS)
  *Mainstreaming the new mandate, prior to decision 2023/1, para. 11, that established 1 P-3 and 1 G-7 for 2023*
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