Agenda item 7:

Report of the Executive Director on the analysis of the principal obstacles to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda by Member States

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NUA 3-fold implementation framework

Achieving the New Urban Agenda on the ground
Indicators: Sustainable Development Goals and urban monitoring framework
Obstacles to achieving NUA on the ground

- Gaps in effective multi-level governance alignment, including limited policy integration;
- Limited effective planning and management of urban and territorial spatial development;
- Insufficiently inclusive and participatory approaches to urban planning and management;
- Insufficient financing;
- A lack of technical capacity.

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Obstacles to mainstreaming

- Agenda lacks a prioritization framework;
- A lack of corresponding implementation targets, indicators and a monitoring plan;
- Low relative prioritization compared to other global agendas and frameworks;
- Gaps in their awareness and understanding of the NUA;
- Perceived competition between the New Urban Agenda and SDG11;
- Tools that support implementation, monitoring and reporting require proficiency in English.
Obstacles to reporting

- 40 countries currently submitted progress report;
- Limited resources and capacities to monitor and report;
- Concern on the substantial number of indicators that need to be collected;
- Low integration with NUP and NUF processes.
Thank you!

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