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UN-Habitat joins Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty

Nairobi, 25 November 2024 – UN-Habitat has officially joined the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty, reaffirming its dedication to advancing sustainable urban development as a key component in the fight against poverty and hunger.

Launched during the G20 Summit under Brazil's Presidency, the Global Alliance Against Hunger and Poverty marks a step towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly eradicating hunger and extreme poverty by 2030.

UN-Habitat's commitment underscores the importance of integrated, large-scale approaches to addressing structural poverty and inequality and the interconnected challenges of food insecurity and urbanization.

By joining the Alliance, UN-Habitat has pledged to collaborate with member countries and organizations, contributing to collective efforts aimed at eradicating hunger and poverty (SDG 1 and 2), reducing inequalities (SDG 10), and revitalizing global partnerships for the Goals (SDG 17).

UN-Habitat's engagement with the Alliance focuses on leveraging its technical expertise to support country-level actions through:

- **Providing knowledge support:** Co-creating and providing technical assistance, capacity building, training, and knowledge-sharing on a voluntary and mutually agreed basis in response to requests from Global Alliance member countries.
- **Aligning actions:** Improving coordination and alignment of UN-Habitat's initiatives with the Alliance's mechanisms to better support large-scale, country-owned policy implementation.
- **Collaborating on innovations:** Working with Alliance members to develop innovative solutions, share good practices, and leverage knowledge networks for data collection, analysis, and dissemination.

Advancing sustainable urban development

UN-Habitat emphasizes the critical role of sustainable urbanization in addressing the root causes of poverty and hunger. The agency's expertise in areas such as access to basic services, resilient infrastructure, and inclusive urban planning aligns closely with the Alliance's mission to empower vulnerable populations and create equitable opportunities for growth.

This partnership reflects UN-Habitat's ongoing commitment to creating a better urban future while addressing global challenges collaboratively.

About the Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty

The Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty was established as a proposal from the Brazilian presidency of the G20 to support and accelerate efforts to eradicate hunger and poverty (SDG 1 and 2) and reduce inequalities (SDG 10). Acting as a neutral facilitator, the Alliance builds partnerships and mobilizes financial and knowledge resources to implement a menu of rigorously evaluated policy instruments, ensuring that donor investments are directed toward cost-effective, high-impact initiatives.

About UN-Habitat

UN-Habitat is the United Nations entity responsible for sustainable urbanization. It has programmes in over 90 countries supporting policymakers and communities to create socially and environmentally sustainable cities and towns. UN-Habitat promotes transformative change in cities through knowledge, policy advice, technical assistance, and collaborative action. To know more, visit unhabitat.org or follow us on social media @UNHABITAT.

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