

Global Capacity Development Support

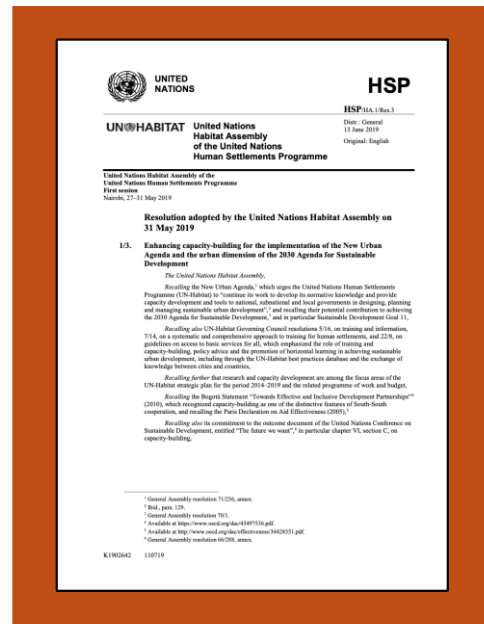
Report to the 1st 2025 session of the Executive Board



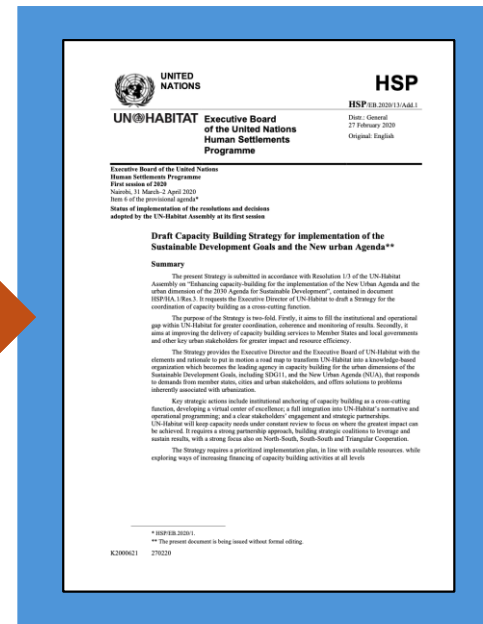
Capacity Building Strategy and Implementation Plan - Coordination

Resolution 1/3 on Capacity Building for the Implementation of the New Urban Agenda
UN Habitat Assembly I - 2019

Agency-wide CB Strategy for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda
Executive Board - 2020



2019



2020



Capacity Building Strategy and Implementation Plan - Coordination

1-
CAPACITY
BUILDING
STRATEGY

Internal Impact

- Internal process



STRATEGY OBJECTIVE 1

Fill the institutional and operational gap within UN-Habitat for greater coordination, coherence, and monitoring of results



STRATEGY OBJECTIVE 2

Improve the delivery of capacity building services to Member States and local governments and other key stakeholders for greater impact and resource efficiency

External Impact

- Scaling up
- Multiply



Capacity Building Strategy

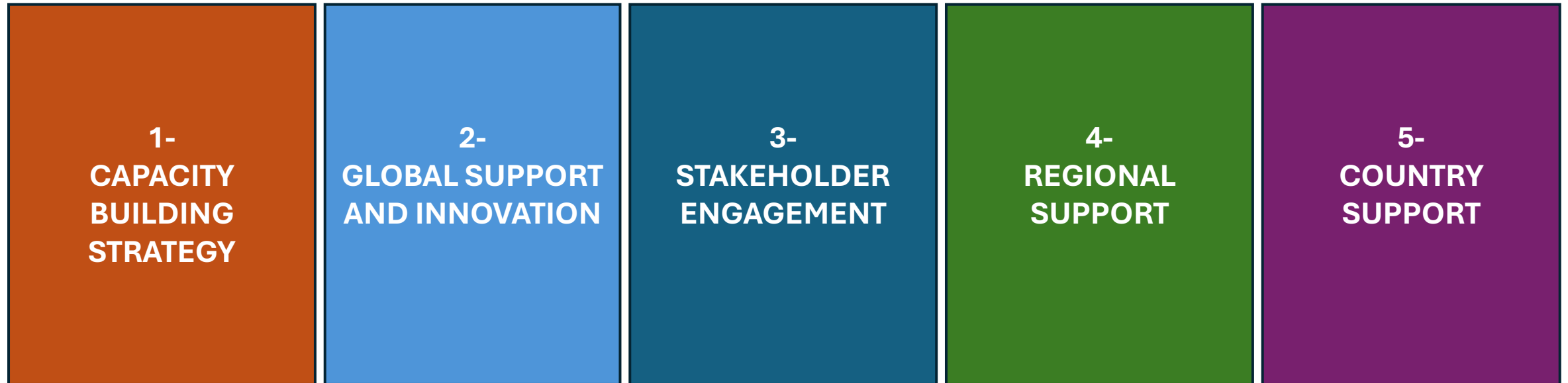
Definition

*“**A change process** through which **individuals and institutions** engage in a set of learning methods, whereby they develop and acquire knowledge, skills, know-how, and tools that strengthen their ability to effectively intervene, transform and improve themselves and the environment in which they operate.*”

*It entails **a multiplicity of activities and processes** ultimately aiming at the delivery of **qualitative and effective** policies, projects, programs, processes, decisions, and institutional responses”.*

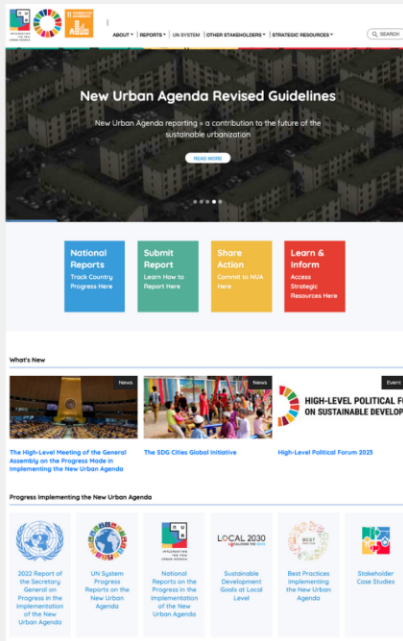
Pillars of Global Organizational Support for Enhanced Delivery

Capacity Development as a central cross-cutting function



1- Scaling up understanding, implementation and reporting regarding the New Urban Agenda

Urban Agenda Platform

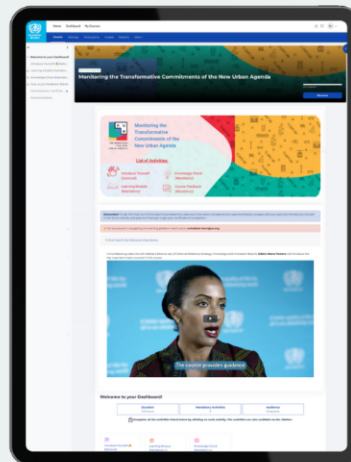


New Urban Agenda Illustrated Handbook



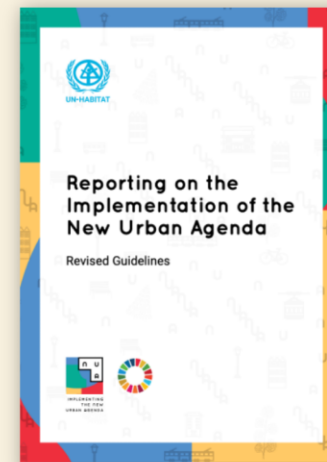
Translation in Arabic, French, Chinese, Spanish, Portuguese through regional partnerships – Ongoing project in francophone Africa

UN-Habitat Learn courses



NUA Illustrated self-paced **Course 1:** Core dimensions; **Course 2:** Means of implementation; Reporting Guidelines, and **Course 3:** NUA Reporting + Webinars

NUA reporting guidelines



Focuses on monitoring and reporting progress of the New Urban Agenda

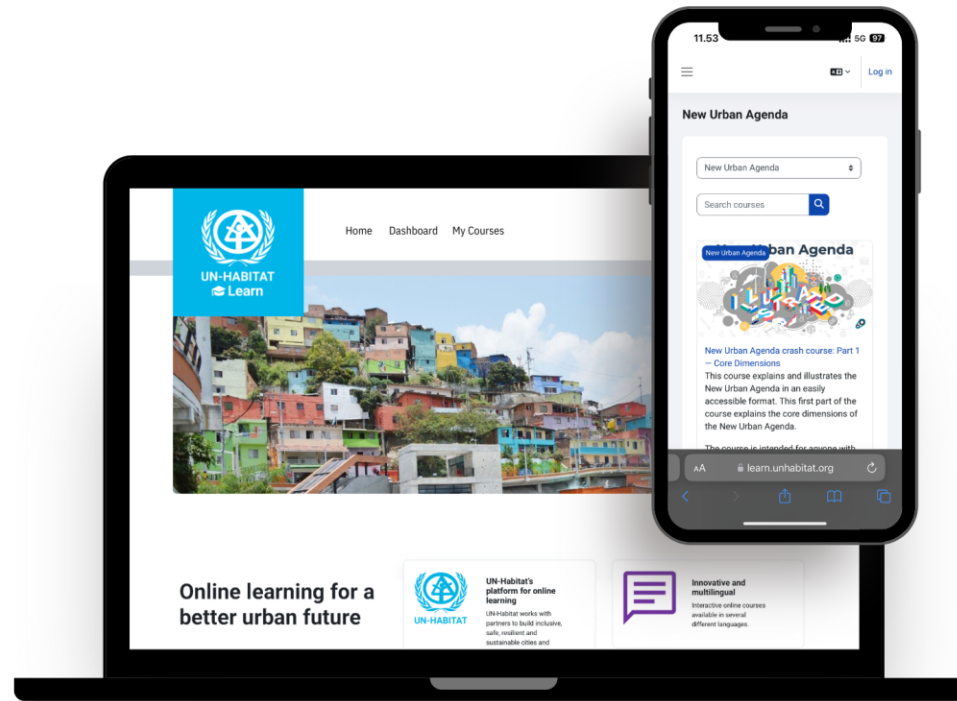
Way forward

10 years and beyond..



Strengthened knowledge and learning approach towards **Quito+10**

2. DIGITAL INNOVATION FOR KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AND LEARNING OFFERINGS



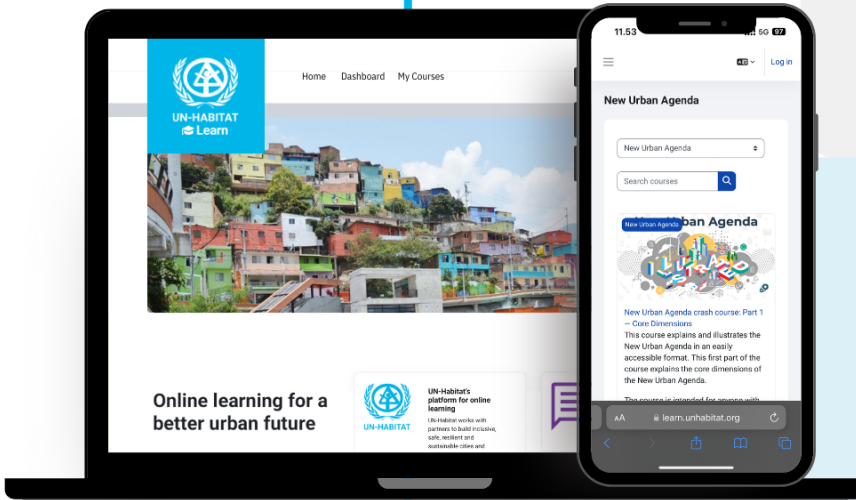
UN-Habitat Learn Platform

Transforming technical knowledge into digitally accessible and inclusive learning and educational assets
–For Practice and Action

- Instructional Design + Digitalization
- Since 2021
- 12 themes (current)
- 40+ courses developed by UN-Habitat
- Free learning products
- Interactive
- Accessible
- Inclusive
- Multiple languages: English, French, Spanish, Russian, Arabic, Portuguese, Indonesian

2. DIGITAL INNOVATION FOR KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AND LEARNING OFFERINGS

Current learning offering (themes):



Understanding, implementing and reporting on the New Urban Agenda



SDG Monitoring in cities



National Urban Policies



Investment for cities



Municipal Finance: Own Source Revenue



Urban Law for Climate Action



Public Space Assessments



Sustainable Urban Mobility



Urban Ecosystems Based Adaptation in LDCs



Solid Waste Management



Urban Safety and Human Security



Durable Solutions for Internally Displaced Persons



Environmental and Social Safeguard Systems

More courses are coming!

Opportunities:

1

Funding for long-term sustainability and continuous improvement

2

Improving content, maintenance and functionalities

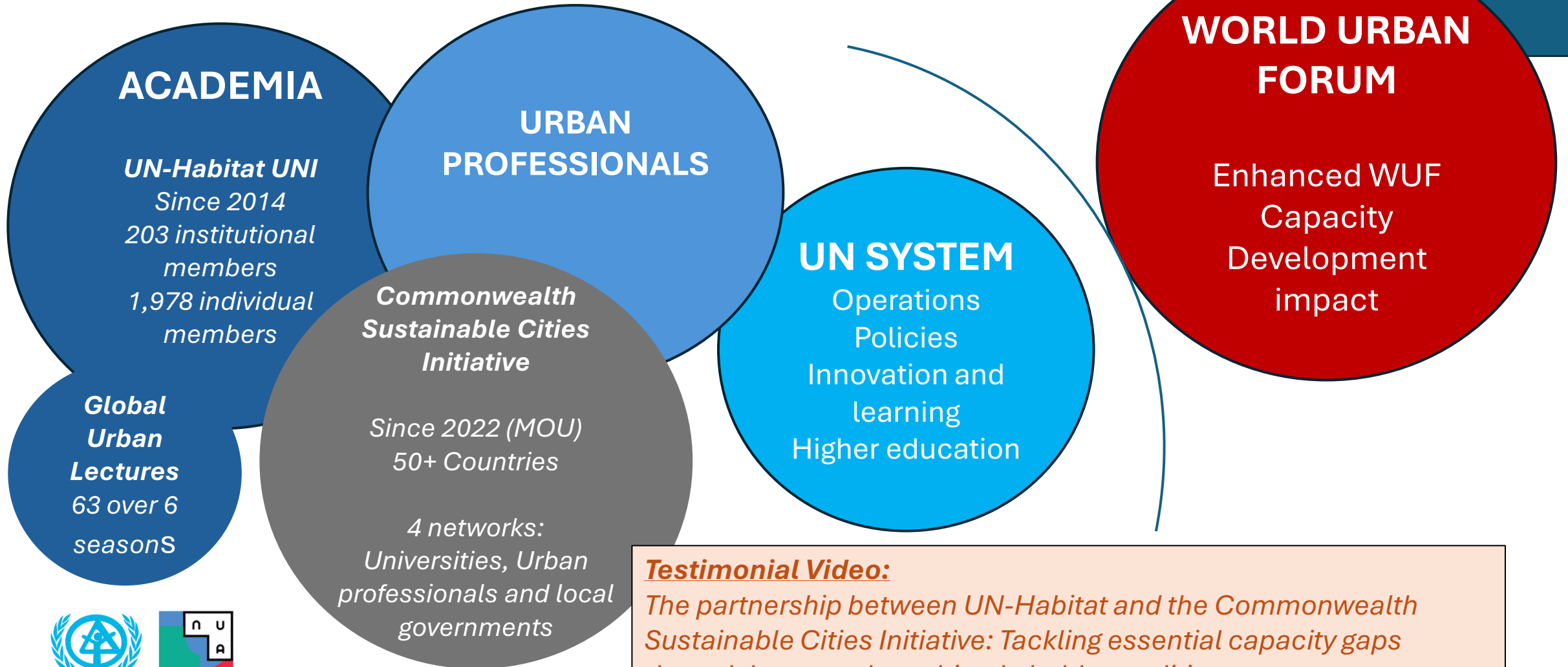
3

Focus on transformative knowledge bridging substantive gaps and needs, in line with SP—e.g. Housing, Land and Basic Services

4

Enhancing advocacy, dissemination and partnerships

3- Strategic partnerships, coalition building and advocacy



Global Urban Lectures
63 over 6 seasons

Testimonial Video:
The partnership between UN-Habitat and the Commonwealth Sustainable Cities Initiative: Tackling essential capacity gaps through large-scale multistakeholder coalitions



4- Building capacities across regions and Contexts

REGIONAL SUPPORT

Centers of Excellence,
Regional training centers

COUNTRY SUPPORT

Project design,
Mapping of capacity and
competency gaps, priorities,
country level pilots

Testimonial Video:

Presentation of the Center of Excellence on Housing by the University of Ouagadougou, a project supported by UN-Habitat, funded by the WAEMU and the World Bank – 2020-2024



Way Forward



FOCUS

1- **Strengthened capacity development as a cross-cutting function**

➡ Capacity development: Means of Implementation (SP 26-29)

SCALE

2- **Strengthened partnerships and coalitions**

VALUE

3- **Strengthened innovation, advocacy and forward-looking culture for impact and scale**



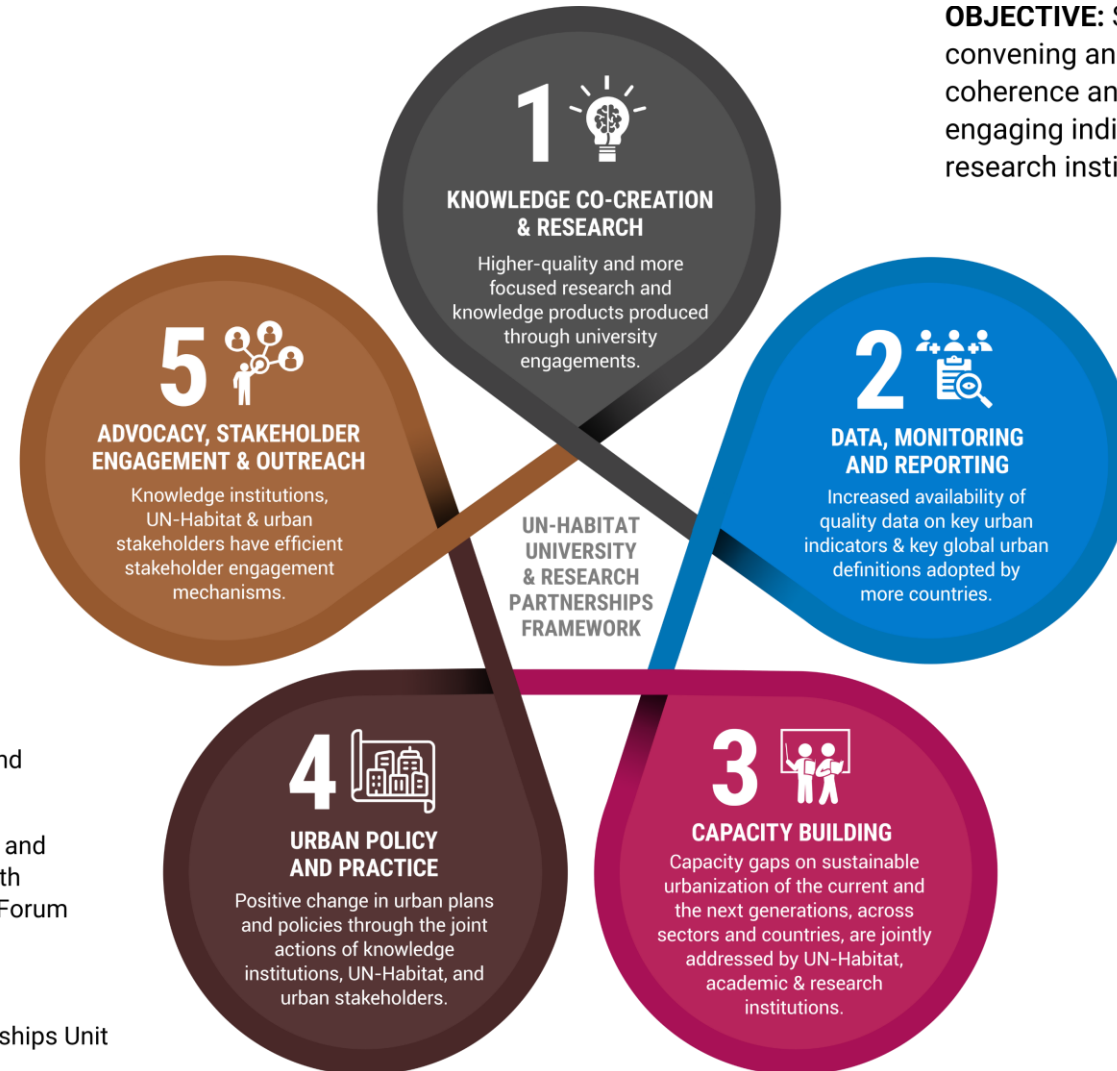
Way Forward

Example: University Partnerships Framework

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS

FOCAL POINT

- ● ERSKID - Knowledge and Innovation Branch
- Capacity Development and Training Unit; jointly with Habitat Professionals Forum
- UPB
- ERSKID - WUC/Partnerships Unit



OBJECTIVE: Strengthen UN-Habitat's convening and mobilizing role, increasing coherence and efficacy of initiatives engaging individual researchers, universities, research institutes, and academia networks.

Outcomes and Targets of each Impact Area to be developed **by Focal Points** and **in alignment** with:

- UN-Habitat New Strategic Plan
- UN-Habitat Assembly Resolutions
- UN 6 Transitions
- UN 2.0



Way Forward

Example: “UN-Habitat Learn”, a harmonizing and overarching concept for advocacy, scale and programming

