

STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA

26 March 2025

Thank you Chair for giving Malaysia the floor,
Madam Executive Director of UN-Habitat,
Excellencies and Members of the Executive Board

With reference to the Item 6 on the draft strategic plan of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme for the period 2026–2029, Malaysia through the Ministry of Housing Malaysia commitment to sustainable urban development and alignment with global frameworks like the New Urban Agenda (NUA) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) our committed to continually assist member states in Asia Pacific through:

Asia-Pacific Urban Agenda Platform (AP-UAP)

Malaysia is indeed hosting the Asia-Pacific Urban Agenda Platform (AP-UAP), a significant initiative aimed at advancing sustainable urban development in the region. This platform, spearheaded by the Malaysian government in collaboration with UN-Habitat, serves as a hub for knowledge sharing, capacity building, and monitoring the implementation of the New Urban Agenda (NUA) and SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities). It serves as a reporting and learning hub to support Member States of the region in their voluntary reporting on the New Urban Agenda for the Secretary General's third Quadrennial Report, due in 2026.

ASEAN Sustainable Urbanisation Forum (ASUF) 2025

The theme of Malaysia's ASEAN Chairmanship 2025 is 'Inclusivity and Sustainability'. It reflects our aspiration for truly shared progress, ensuring that no one is left behind. It underscores our conviction that ASEAN is committed towards strengthening regional peace, stability and prosperity within an inclusive, sustainable and future-oriented framework. Therefore, Malaysia is setting to host the ASEAN Sustainable Urbanisation Forum (ASUF) 2025 on 10-15 August 2025 together with ASEAN Governors and Mayors Forum (AGMF) and The Meeting of Governors/Mayors of ASEAN Capitals (MGMAC) is a key platform for the leaders of ASEAN capitals to strengthen the role of capital cities in the ASEAN community and underscores the region's commitment to sustainable urban development. These forum and meeting will serve as a platform for ASEAN member states, cities, and stakeholders to collaborate, share knowledge, and advance the implementation of the ASEAN Sustainable Urbanisation Strategy (ASUS).

The 7th Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development (APMCHUD)

The 7th Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development (APMCHUD) is set to be hosted by Malaysia on 14-16 October 2025. The 7th APMCHUD is a significant event that brings together policymakers, urban planners, and stakeholders from across the Asia-Pacific region to address housing and urban development challenges. This prestigious event brings together ministers, policymakers, and stakeholders from across the Asia-Pacific region to discuss and advance sustainable housing and urban development.

Malaysia, plays a pivotal role in shaping the agenda and showcasing its achievements in sustainable urban development. Through initiatives country demonstrates its commitment to fostering inclusive and resilient cities. Malaysia, through its leadership and initiatives will play a pivotal role in shaping the agenda and ensuring impactful outcomes. The conference will also highlight Malaysia's achievements in sustainable urban development and its commitment to regional and global urbanization goals.

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