



**2025 third Meeting of the Bureau of the United Nations Habitat Assembly
(UN-Habitat Assembly)**

Hybrid format – Wednesday, 7 May 2025
10:00-12:00 East Africa Time (EAT)

Talking points for H.E. Mr. Ibrar Hussain Khan, High Commissioner and Permanent Representative
of Pakistan and Chair of the CPR

Under agenda item 3

- Distinguished members of the Bureau, I am pleased to provide a brief update on the status of the draft outcomes for the OECPR and the Habitat Assembly.
- You may recall that at our last meeting on 9 April, we identified four expected outcomes of the resumed session of the Assembly, to be prepared through the OECPR, namely:
 - Draft decision or resolution on the adoption of UN-Habitat strategic plan for the period 2026-2029
 - Draft decision or resolution on the adoption of a stakeholder engagement policy (subject to agreement by the Executive Board by consensus).
 - Draft decision or resolution on the adoption of international guidelines on people-centred smart cities.
 - Draft decision the dates of the third session of the UN-Habitat Assembly.
- On 14 April 2025, I chaired the first informal consultation to prepare these outcomes, where Member States gave myself – supported by the secretariat – a mandate to table draft decisions in these four areas, for consideration on at the upcoming consultation sessions.
- At the same meeting, I also appointed Ambassador Cortes Ruiz from Colombia, Vice Chair of the CPR, to chair the successive informal consultation meetings on my behalf, and to report back to the third meeting of the OECPR on 26 May. With regard to the draft Stakeholder Engagement Policy, I also invited Mr. Luis from Portugal to continue his informal consultations on the development of a stakeholder engagement policy under the format of the Friends of the Chair.
- I wish to thank Ambassador Pedro Cortes and Mr. Luis Miguel for their leadership in these consultations and look forward to hearing about the progress made so far.
- Thank you, Mr. Chair.