

Strengthening **Partnerships** for A New Africa Urban Agenda

Doing Things Together: Imperatives of Partnership
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Habitat Partners: Leave no one Behind

- ❑ Local Authorities
- ❑ Civil Society Organizations
- ❑ Parliamentarians
- ❑ Private Sector & Foundations
- ❑ Women and Youth Groups

OTHERS

- ❑ United Nations agencies
- ❑ Inter-governmental Organizations
- ❑ National Habitat Committees

Dividends of Working Together

- Better
- Efficient and Effective
- Accountable
- Coordinated and in Harmony with each other
- Guaranteed Collective and Individual Ownership

Proposed Checklist for the New Africa Urban Agenda: National , Regional and International

- ✓ Leaving no one Behind; Are Habitat agenda partners included in planning and launching the Program at the various level e.g. local, municipal , national e.t.c
- ✓ A Shared Vision
- ✓ Clarification of partners roles and responsibility
- ✓ Feedback, information sharing and consultative framework in place
- ✓ Onset understanding of resources required for meaningful engagement
- ✓ Are the urban poor especially grassroots women and youth adequately supported to effectively participate
- ✓ Progress Tracking framework in place

A New Africa Urban Agenda for and by the Urban Poor

- ❑ Women and Youth are taunted to be the drivers of the future for the African Cities and Towns hence they must be at the core of this new programme
- ❑ The Urban Dwellers largest constituency
- ❑ Largest occupants of urban informal settlements
- ❑ Women headed households, t
- ❑ Women in poor communities disproportionately live the consequences of poor urban planning and lack of basic services including:
 - Safety
 - Access to water and sanitation
 - Access to Public transport, health and education
 - Poor housing conditions
- ❑ Are often the most marginalized and left behind in such initiatives

Precondition for Women Effective Participation and Enjoyment of the New African Urban Agenda

- ❑ Halting all forms of violence in Africa
- ❑ Organizing (Africa's tested wealth!) - local and regional
- ❑ Building on their lived experiences and innovations to inform planning and policies : Organized groups of women continue to establish innovations to survive through poverty and calamities.
- ❑ Valuing and investing in grassroots women unpaid labor . Many grassroots women groups continue to subsidize the provisions of public basic services in informal settlements
- ❑ Fast track grassroots women economic empowerment
- ❑ Equitable sharing of existing resources and opportunities including access to land & and valuable assets and benefits arising from sustainable utilization of Africa's new found natural resources
- ❑ Guaranteed safety in cities and towns
- ❑ Ensuring grassroots women direct involvement in decision making on the New Africa Urban Agenda and their local and national political participation