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Programme of work and publications for 2018-2019

Draft Programme of Work of the Housing and Land Management Component of the Housing, Land Management and Population subprogramme for 2018-2019

Note by the Secretariat

Summary

This note contains a draft programme of work of the housing and land management component of the Housing, Land Management and Population subprogramme (“the subprogramme HLM component”) for 2018–2019.

The Committee on Housing and Land Management is invited to adopt it and recommend to the Executive Committee for approval

I. Introduction

1. The present document sets out the draft programme of work of the Housing and Land Management Component of Housing, Land Management and Population subprogramme (“the subprogramme HLM component”) for 2018–2019. The Committee on Housing and Land Management is invited to adopt it and recommend to the Executive Committee for approval. Any subsequent additional, discontinued or carried over outputs will be reflected in the Integrated Monitoring and Document Information System used by the Secretariat for the planning, monitoring and reporting on the implementation of the programme. The results of the implementation of the programme of work will be submitted to the Committee in the Programme Performance report for the biennium 2018-2019.
2. The draft programme of work applies a results-based management approach, a broad management approach which establishes logical relationship between the hierarchical results (outputs – outcomes – impact) known as ‘results chain’, the resources (human and financial) known as ‘inputs’ and the external factors (strategic, governance, operational, financial) which can prevent from achieving the objective.
3. The outputs/activities in the draft programme of work correspond to those contained in the ECE proposed programme budget for 2018–2019. They fall into the following main categories: (a) meetings and related parliamentary documentation; (b) other substantive activities; and (c) technical cooperation, including advisory services, training courses, seminars, workshops, and field projects.
4. The outcomes/expected accomplishments, with corresponding indicators of achievement and performance measures are presented in Annex I in the form of a logical framework.
5. The details of the proposed publications are provided in Annex II. The overall ECE legislative mandates and those specific for the subprogramme HLM component are listed in Annex III.

II. Objective, strategy and external factors

6. The objective of the subprogramme HLM component is to improve housing, urban and land governance and to promote the evidence-based formulation of sustainable housing and land policies and their implementation in the region.
7. The responsibility for the housing and land management component of the subprogramme is vested in the Forests, Land and Housing Division.
8. The objective of the HLM component subprogramme will be achieved through: (a) international policy dialogue on housing, urban development and land administration; (b) normative work on affordable and energy efficient housing, urban planning and development and land administration; and (c) capacity building and sharing of best practices and lessons learned in all the areas of the subprogramme's housing and land management component work.
9. The HLM component of the subprogramme will contribute to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the achievement of the housing, urban and land-related Sustainable Development Goals, especially Goal 11, but in addition due to its cross-cutting nature, Goals 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 12. Due consideration will be given to the integration of climate change measures into national policies,

strategies and planning in the area of housing and land management. The HLM component of the subprogramme will establish synergies in the respective areas of work with ECE subprogrammes: (1) Environment, (2) Transport, (3) Statistics, (4) Economic Cooperation and Integration, (5) Sustainable Energy, and (7) Timber and Forestry.

10. The HLM component works to improve housing, urban development and land administration and management. It supports the implementation of the New Urban Agenda¹, Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing (E/ECE/1478/Rev.1)² and Strategy for Sustainable Housing and Land Management in the ECE region for the period 2014-2020 (ECE/HBP/2013/3)³

11 To promote sustainable housing and real estate markets, the HLM component of the subprogramme will support the governments in improving energy efficiency in buildings, facilitating the maintenance, management and refurbishment of existing housing stock and developing real estate markets which contribute to economic growth. It will focus on the social dimensions of sustainable housing to address housing affordability, adaptation of the housing stock to demographic changes, such as ageing of the population, and access to healthy and safe housing (E/ECE/1478/Rev.1). The will also cover monitoring of the implementation of the New Urban Agenda, the Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing and the Strategy for Sustainable Housing and Land Management in the ECE region for the period 2014-2020.

12. To support sustainable urban development, the HLM component of the subprogramme will promote an integrated approach to planning of cities and human settlements. The focus will be on activities relevant to spatial planning which will result in compact, efficient and inclusive cities, low-carbon and disaster resilient urban development and addressing challenges of informal settlements. The will also support the implementation of the ECE smart city indicators and preparation of smart sustainable city profiles.

13. To assist member States to improve land administration and land management, the HLM component of the subprogramme will promote security of tenure; improvement of cadastres and land registries, including institutional arrangements for land administration. This cluster will address land registration, e-governance, land tenure, spatial information and cadastres. An emphasis will be placed on issues of innovation and capacity building in land administration.

14. Country profiles on housing and land management, which assess the housing, urban development and land sectors, will be conducted upon the request of member States. These studies will be coordinated by the secretariat and drafted by independent international experts in cooperation with national experts. Work on the country profiles will also include monitoring of, and support to, the implementation of the country profiles' recommendations, including through the preparation of national action plans on sustainable housing and urban development and model projects.

15. The HLM component of the subprogramme is expected to achieve its objective and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) there are adequate national statistical data and information available on housing, urban development and land management; (b) there is political will, an adequate

¹ <http://habitat3.org/wp-content/uploads/NUA-English-With-Index-1.pdf>

² http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/commission/2015/E_ECE_1478_rev1_en.pdf

³ <http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/hlm/documents/Publications/sust.hsng.strategy.pdf>

legislative and regulatory framework, adequate institutions and sufficient resources to allow member States to implement the recommendations of the Committee on Housing and Land Management; and (c) there is donor's support for the preparation of studies and guidelines and undertaking of country and city profile studies is adequate.

III. Outputs/activities to be delivered during the biennium

16. During the biennium 2018-2019, the following outputs will be delivered:

Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget)

Committee on Housing and Land Management

Substantive servicing of meetings

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| (a) | Plenary | 8 |
| (b) | Bureau of the Committee | 16 |
| (c) | Real Estate market Advisory Group | 4 |

Parliamentary documentation

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| (a) | Report of the Committee | 2 |
| (b) | Sets of pre-session documents for the Committee (9 documents each per set) | 2 |
| (c) | Reports of the Real Estate Market Advisory Group | 2 |

Working Party on Land Administration

Substantive servicing of meetings

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| (a) | Plenary | 3 |
| (b) | Bureau of the Working Party | 16 |

Parliamentary documentation

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| (a) | Report of the Working Party | 1 |
| (b) | Set of pre-session documents for the Working Party (5 documents) | 1 |
| (c) | Report of the Bureau of the Working Party | 1 |

Other substantive activities (regular budget/extrabudgetary)

Non-recurrent publications

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| (a) | Country Profile on Housing and Land Management (Belarus) | 1 |
| (b) | Country Profile on Housing and Land Management (Bulgaria) | 1 |
| (c) | Affordable and social housing: study on housing migrants | 1 |
| (d) | “Challenges and Priorities in Housing and Urban Development in the ECE Region” | 1 |

Booklets, fact sheets, wallcharts, information kits

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| (a) | Booklet and fact sheets of the Committee on Housing and Land Management and the Working Party on Land Administration | 2 |
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Press releases, press conferences

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| (a) | Annual set of press releases related to housing and land management activities | 2 |
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Technical materials

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| (a) | Housing standards and technical guidelines | 2 |
| (b) | Update and maintenance of the website related housing and land management activities | 2 |

Technical cooperation (regular budget and extrabudgetary)

Advisory services

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| (a) | Fact-finding missions and advisory services for policymakers in preparation for and follow-up to country profiles on housing, land administration and spatial planning; and advising on outputs of Geneva UN Charter Centres on Sustainable Housing | 3 |
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Training courses, seminars and workshops

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| (a) | Workshops, seminars and training courses for policymakers and/or experts in the ECE region on housing and land administration (including real estate) and spatial planning, including to support the Network of Geneva UN Charter Centres on Sustainable Housing | 8 |
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Annex I

The expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures for 2018-2019

Objective of the Organization: To improve housing, urban and land governance in the UNECE region and to promote the evidence-based formulation of sustainable housing and land policies and their implementation in the region

<i>Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat</i>	<i>Indicators of achievement</i>	<i>Performance measures</i>	<i>2018-2019</i>		
			<i>2016-2017</i>	<i>2014-2015</i>	
(a) Improved capacity for formulation and implementation of evidence-based policies in housing, urban development and land management	(a) Number of new measures adopted by member States in areas of housing and land management based on ECE studies, policy documents and results-oriented assessments	Target	4		
		Estimate			
		Actual			
(b) Strengthened implementation of ECE guidelines on housing, urban development and land management	(b) Increased number of member States which apply ECE guidelines on housing, urban planning and land management in their national policies	Target	31	29	27
		Estimate		29	27
		Actual			27

Annex II

Details of proposed publications for 2018-2019

A. Non-recurrent publications

<i>Item no.</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Mandate</i>	<i>Print and/or electronic</i>	<i>Size</i>	<i>No. of pages</i>	<i>Original language(s)</i>	<i>Translated language(s)</i>	<i>No. of copies and language(s)</i>
1	Country Profile on Housing and Land Management	ECE/HBP/1 84, page 9, para 50	Print and electronic	A4	110	E	R	600E, 200R
2	Country Profile on Housing and Land Management	ECE/HBP/1 84, page 9, para 50	Print and electronic	A4	110	E		600E
3	Affordable and social housing	ECE/HBP/1 79, page 6, para 31	Electronic			E	R	n/a
4	Report "Challenges and Priorities in Housing and Urban Development in the ECE Region"	ECE/HBP/1 79, page 5, para 26 and page 6 and para 29	Print and electronic	A4	110	E	R	600E, 300R

B. Promotional material

<i>Item no.</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Mandate</i>	<i>Print and/or electronic</i>	<i>Size</i>	<i>No. of pages</i>	<i>Original language(s)</i>	<i>Translated language(s)</i>	<i>No. of copies and language(s)</i>
1	Fact sheets of the Committee on Housing and Land Management	Forthcoming	Print and electronic	A4	4	E	R	600E, 300R
2	Fact sheets of the Working Party on Land Administration	Forthcoming	Print and electronic	A4	4	E	R	600E, 300R

Annex III

Legislative Mandates

A. Overall ECE legislative mandates

1. Resolutions of the General Assembly

<i>Res No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
66/288	The future we want
67/10	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Eurasian Economic Community
67/226	Quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system
69/8	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Central European Initiative
69/10	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Commonwealth of Independent States
69/11	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization
69/13	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization
69/83	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe
69/111	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization
69/142	Realizing the Millennium Development Goals and other internationally agreed development goals for persons with disabilities towards 2015 and beyond
69/143	Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly
69/225	Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy
69/272	Progress towards an accountability system in the United Nations Secretariat
69/277	Political declaration on strengthening cooperation between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations
69/313	Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development (Addis Ababa Action Agenda)
70/1	Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
70/133	Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly
70/184	Information and communications technologies for development

<i>Res No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
70/201	Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
70/204	International Strategy for Disaster Reduction
70/205	Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind
70/221	Operational activities for development of the United Nations system
70/222	South-South cooperation

2. Resolutions of the Economic and Social Council

<i>Res No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
2006/38	Workplan on reform of the Economic Commission for Europe and revised terms of reference of the Commission
2013/1	Outcome of the review of the 2005 Reform of the Economic Commission for Europe
2015/12	Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system
2015/15	Progress in the implementation of General Assembly resolution 67 /226 on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system

3. Others

United Nations Economic Commission for Europe decisions

<i>Res No</i>	<i>Title</i>
A (64)	The Work of the Economic Commission for Europe
A (65)	Outcome of the review of the 2005 reform of ECE
A (66)	Endorsement of the High-level statement on the post-2015 development agenda and expected sustainable development goals in the ECE region

B. Legislative mandates specific to the subprogramme HLM component**1. Resolutions of the General Assembly**

<i>Res No</i>	<i>Title</i>
70/107	International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development
71/256	New Urban Agenda
71/235	Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

2. Others**United Nations Economic Commission for Europe decisions**

<i>Res No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
ECE/HBP/173	Report of the Committee on Housing and Land Management on its 74 th session which adopted the Strategy for Sustainable Housing and Land Management in the ECE region for the period 2014-2020 (ECE/HBP/2013/3)
B (66)	Endorsement of the Geneva United Nations Charter on Sustainable Housing (E/ECE/1478/Rev.1)
ECE/HBP/2017/1	Geneva Ministerial Declaration on Sustainable Housing and Urban Development
