

# UNECE Urban Development Housing and Land Management

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# UN Economic Commission for Europe

- Intergovernmental process: Committee on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management (CUDHLM)
- **Forum of Mayors**
- Working Party on Land Administration (WPLA)
- Real Estate Market Advisory Group (REM)
- Action plans (COVID-19 recovery, Housing)
- Guidance and Guidelines
- Capacity building projects
- Communication activities
- Centers of Excellence (CoEs)



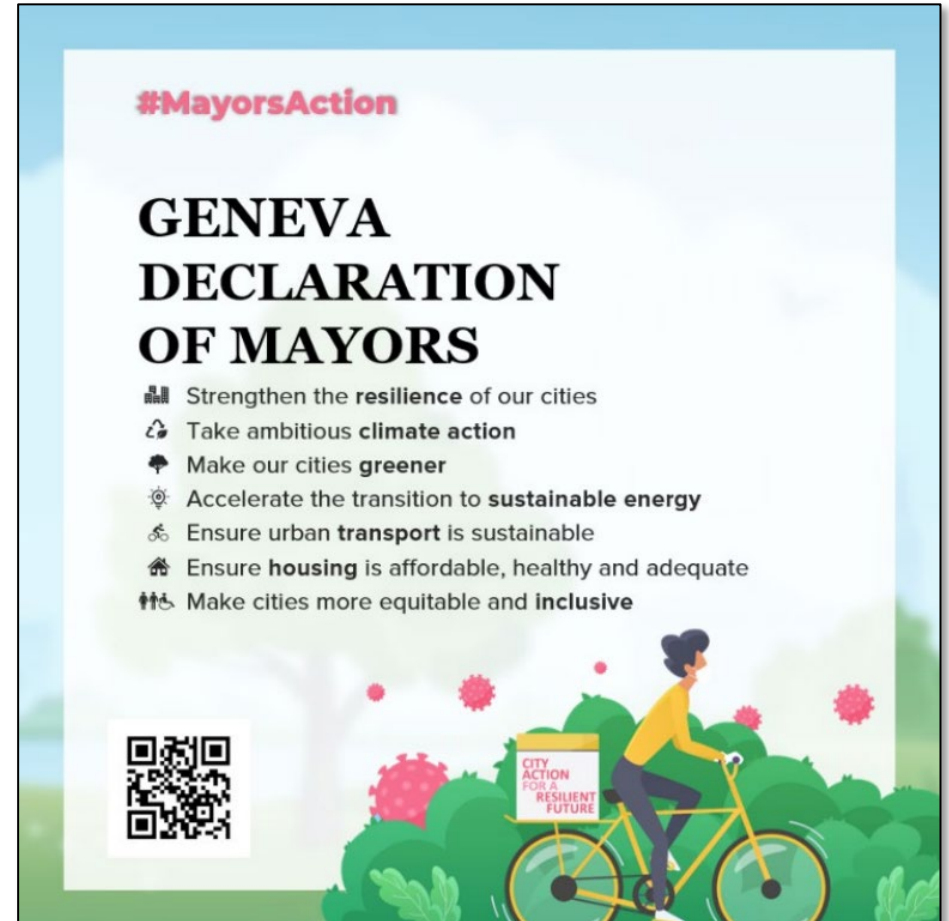
# First Forum of Mayors, 6 October 2020



Find out more at:








<https://unece.org/housing/publications/geneva-declaration-mayors-2020>


- 36 mayors from 34 countries shared their experiences – 7 mayors attending in-person, despite all constraints.
- Many city leaders were present including Prague, Athens, Budapest, Dublin, Glasgow, Barcelona, Dublin, Bratislava, Tbilisi, Vienna etc.
- Total number of participants: more than 1,000.




**#MayorsAction**

## GENEVA DECLARATION OF MAYORS

-  Strengthen the **resilience** of our cities
-  Take ambitious **climate action**
-  Make our cities **greener**
-  Accelerate the transition to **sustainable energy**
-  Ensure urban **transport** is sustainable
-  Ensure **housing** is affordable, healthy and adequate
-  Make cities more equitable and **inclusive**





# UNECE - Housing and Land Management Unit



## First Forum of Mayors, 6 October 2020





## Second Forum of Mayors, 4-5 April 2022

- When and where: 4-5 April 2022 in Geneva, Switzerland
- What: gathering of city leaders to exchange experiences, present their efforts to tackle challenges in their cities, and discuss how to work together in the context of the UN
- Theme: Recovering from COVID-19 while advancing the implementation of the SDGs ...”
- Sessions:
  1. Resilient, healthy and climate-neutral buildings and affordable and adequate housing;
  2. Vibrant public spaces, green cities and nature-based solutions;
  3. Sustainable urban transport, shared mobility and safer roads;
  4. Sustainable urban planning, the 15-minute city and smart urban development solutions.
- Outcome: Recommendations on the future of the Forum of Mayors

## Regional Action Plan 2030

### Place and life in the UNECE region



Find out more at:

<https://unece.org/housing/regional-action-plan-2030>

### **Policy Area A: Cities, Neighbourhoods, Homes and Rural Life**

**Goal A1.** Coordinated national, sub-national and local action through multi-level governance and strategic plans frameworks;

**Goal A2.** City-wide and integrated action; and

**Goal A3.** Sustainable neighbourhoods and local living environments.

### **Policy Area B: Sustainable Housing and Homes**

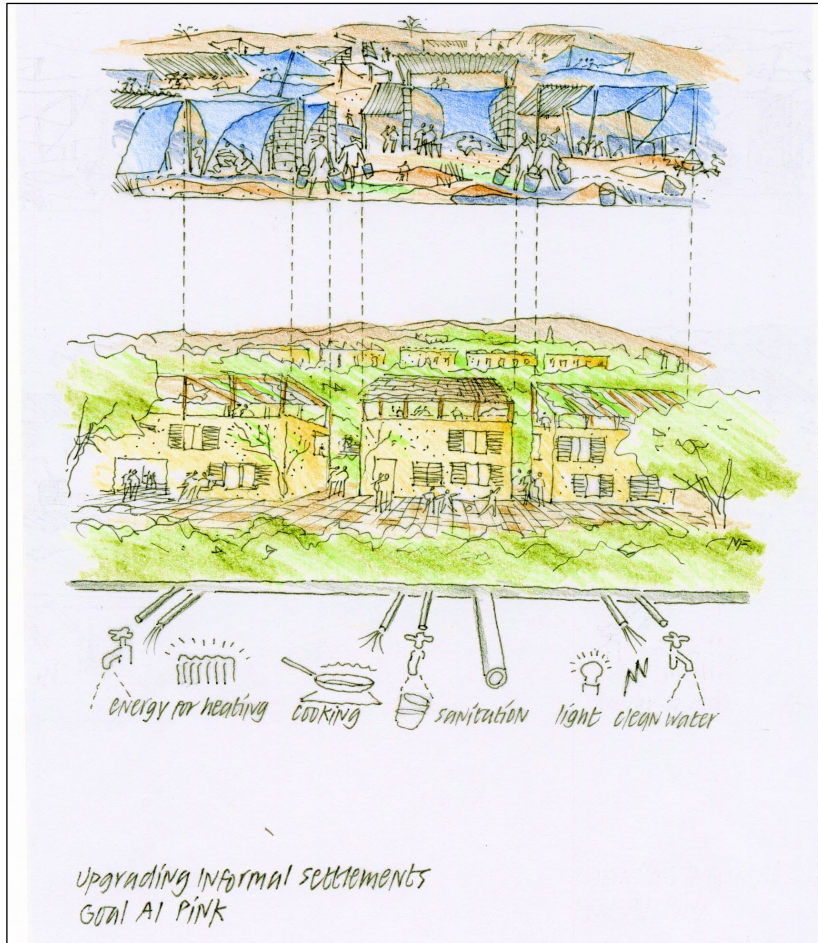
**Goal B1.** Governance;

**Goal B2.** Land Policy;

**Goal B3.** Finance & Funding; and

**Goal B4.** Climate neutral housing.

## COVID-19 Recovery Plan for Informal Settlements



Find out more at:

<https://unece.org/hlm/documents/2021/04/session-documents/covid-19-recovery-action-plan-informal-settlements-ece>

**Policy area 1: Geospatial, land rights, tenure, resource allocation and justice;**

**Policy area 2: Involvement of local communities and local action;**

**Policy area 3: Basic data needs, telecommunication and information technology;**

**Policy area 4: Physical infrastructure, water, sanitation and energy services;**

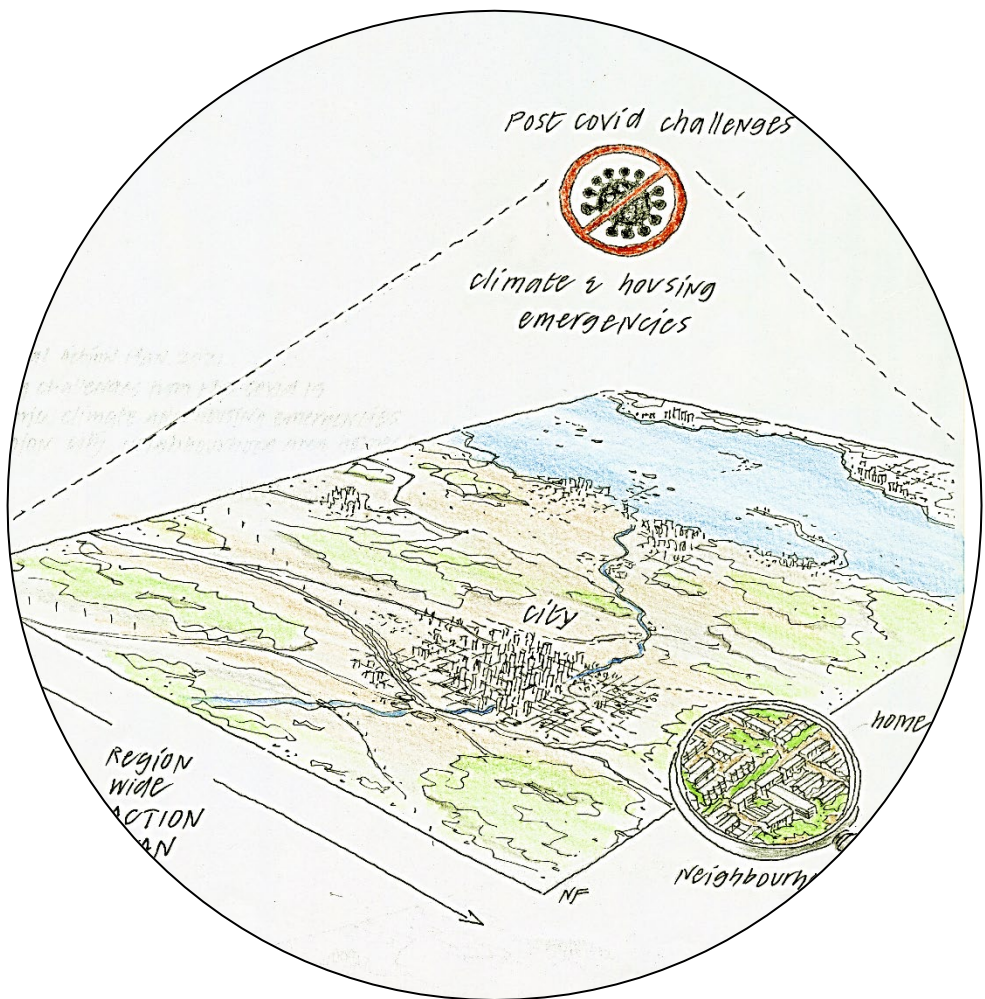
**Policy area 5: Social and infrastructure services;**

**Policy area 6: Stay at home recommendations, culture and vulnerable groups;**

**Policy area 7: Food, basic consumption & distribution.**



## Rapid Response Project. Urban Economic Resilience



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<https://urbaneconomicresilience.org>

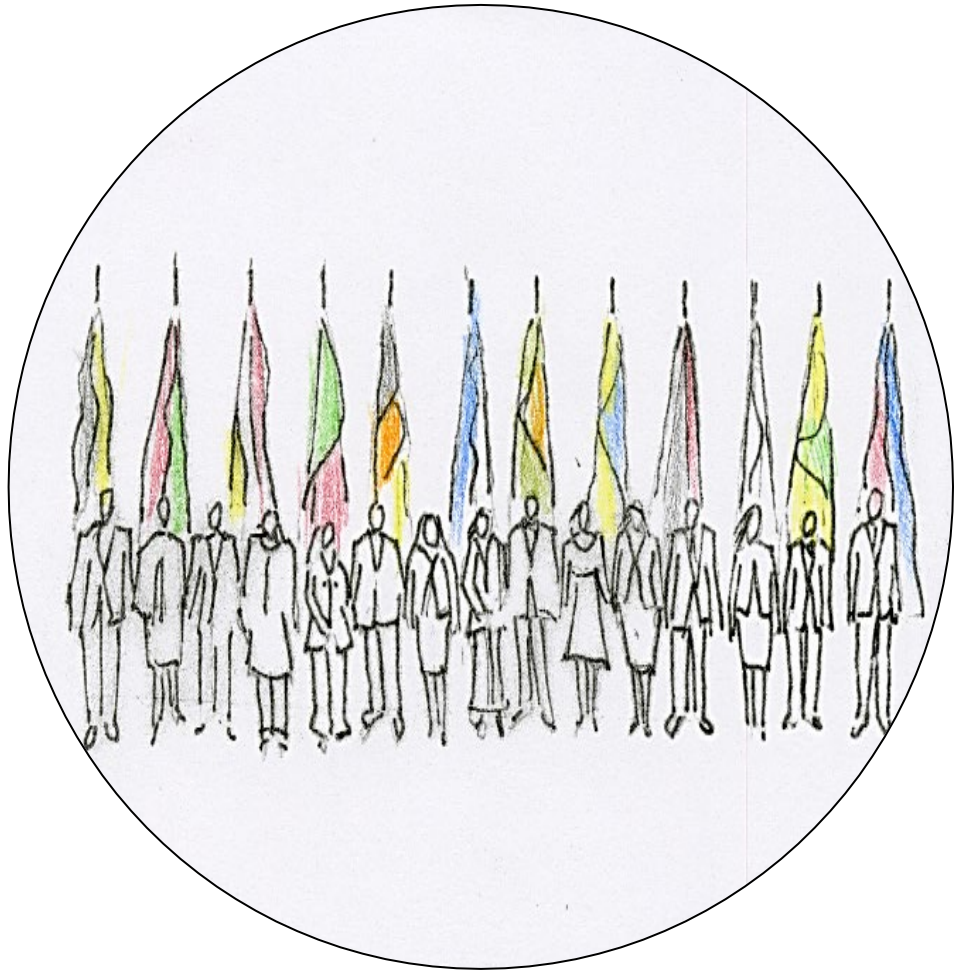
**The project focuses on strengthening the capacities of local governments to design, implement and monitor sustainable, resilient and inclusive COVID-19 economic and financial responses, recovery and rebuilding plans.**

**Regional Policy Brief in the UNECE region. Policy recommendations are in the following four thematic areas**

- 1: Urban governance;**
- 2: Socio-economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic;**
- 3: Nature-based solutions and climate neutrality;**
- and**



## 83<sup>rd</sup> Session of the UNECE CUDHLM



Find out more at:

<https://unece.org/info/Housing-and-Land-Management/events/364158>

- When and where: 3-6 October 2022 in San Marino, San Marino.
- What: the 83<sup>rd</sup> Session will support regional exchange of experiences and good practices promoting affordable, adequate and climate-neutral housing; and inclusive, circular, smart and sustainable cities as part of countries' response to and recovery plans for the COVID-19 pandemic
- Outcome: San Marino Declaration

## Trees in Cities Challenges [\[33 Cities, 24 Countries, 11+ Mill. Trees Pledged\]](#)



Find out more at:

<https://treesincities.unece.org/#:~:text=The%20Trees%20in%20Cities%20Challenge,more%20resilient%2C%20healthy%20and%20livable.>

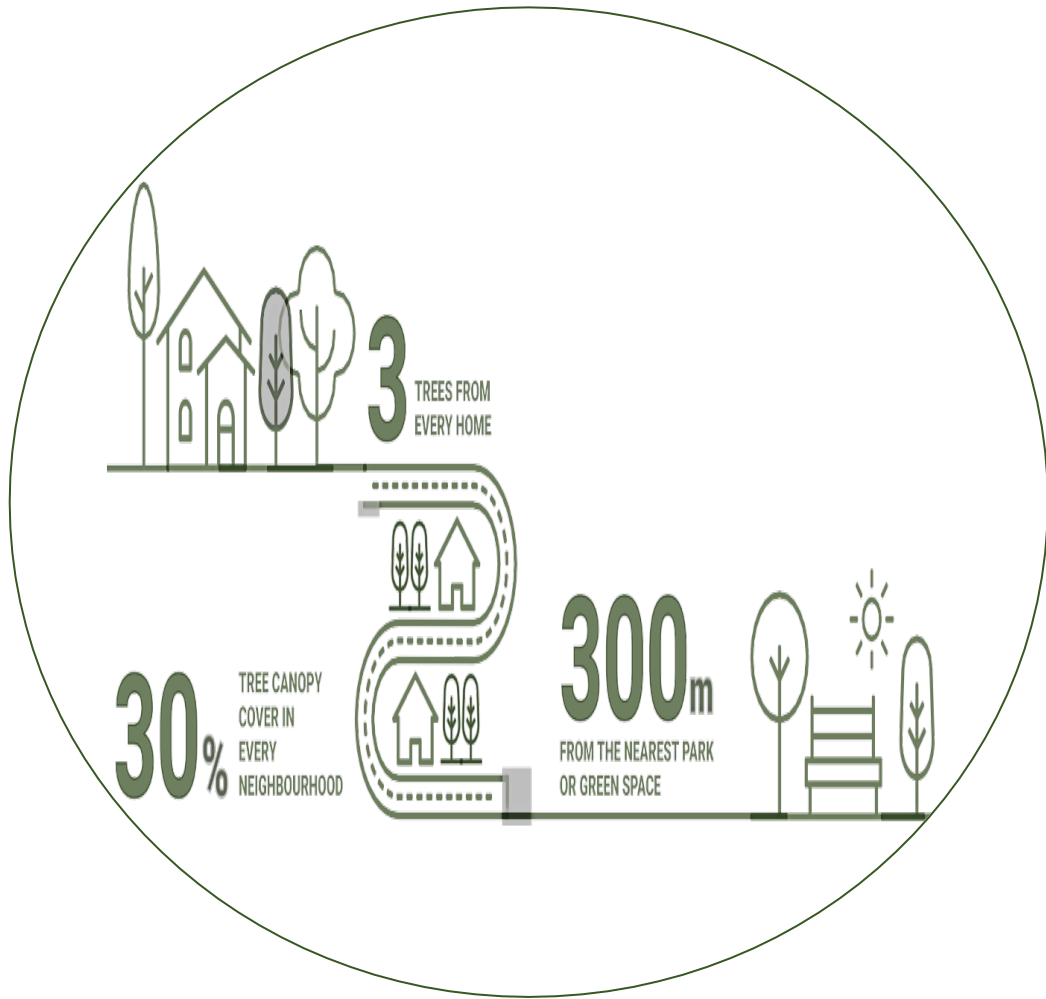
### **Benefits of trees & forest in urban environments:**

- Increased resilience of critical infrastructure;
- Reduced risks of damages to houses and businesses;
- Reduced heat islands and thus reduce energy for cooling buildings, with cost and emissions savings;
- Spaces for vibrant community that are accessible to all.

### **Sustainable Urban Forestry is an approach to:**

- Maximize benefits of urban trees and forests, recognizing that to do so they should be managed as a sustainable ecosystem;
- Strengthen integrated, long-term management to preserve & enhance benefits for generations to come.

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### The 3-30-300 rule for greener, healthier, & more resilient cities:

3. Everyone should be able to see at least 3 mature trees from their home and place of work or study;
30. There should be a 30% tree canopy cover in each neighborhood;
300. The maximum distance to the nearest high-quality public green space should be 300 meters.

# Thank you!



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