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Committee on Housing and Land Management

### Working Group on a Possible Framework Convention on Sustainable Housing in the UNECE Region

#### Third meeting

Geneva, 3 April 2012

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

#### Adoption of the agenda

### **Annotated provisional agenda for the third meeting of the Working Group on a Possible Framework Convention on Sustainable Housing in the UNECE<sup>1</sup> Region**

**To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10 a.m. on  
Tuesday, 3 April 2012<sup>2</sup>**

#### **I. Provisional agenda**

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Summary of outcomes of previous meetings of the Working Group and decisions taken at the seventy-second session of the Committee on Housing and Land Management.

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<sup>1</sup> United Nations Economic Commission for Europe.

<sup>2</sup> New accreditation procedures have been introduced for all delegates attending meetings at the Palais des Nations. Delegates are therefore requested to complete the registration form, which is available from the website of the Working Group on a Possible Framework Convention on Sustainable Housing in the UNECE Region (<http://www.unece.org/housing-and-land-management/about-us/working-group-on-a-possible-framework-convention-on-sustainable-housing.html>), and to transmit it to the secretariat no later than two weeks before the meeting, namely by 19 March 2012, either by fax (+41 22 917 0041) or by e-mail ([evelina.rioukhina@unece.org](mailto:evelina.rioukhina@unece.org)). On their way to the meeting, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the Security and Safety Section of the United Nations Office at Geneva, located at the Pregny Gate, 14 Avenue de la Paix (see the map on the Committee's website under "practical information for delegates"). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone at +41 22 917 1499.

3. Discussion on objectives and scope of a Possible Framework Convention on Sustainable Housing.
4. Conclusions and next steps.
5. Mobilization of resources in support of the Working Group.
6. Other business.
7. Closing of the meeting.

## **II. Annotations**

### **1. Adoption of the agenda**

The provisional agenda will be submitted for adoption.

### **2. Summary of outcomes of previous meetings of the Working Group and decisions taken at the seventy-second session of the Committee on Housing and Land Management**

The Working Group held two meetings in 2011 and produced a report on its findings (ECE/HBP/AC.1/2011/4), which was presented for consideration at the seventy-second session of the Committee on Housing and Land Management held on 3-4 October 2011. The secretariat will summarize the outcome of these two meetings.

Participants will be presented with the decisions taken by the Committee regarding the future work mandated to the Working Group, as contained in the report of the seventy-second session (ECE/HBP/167).

### **3. Discussion on objectives and scope of a Possible Framework Convention on Sustainable Housing**

The meeting will be presented with an informal document providing examples of objectives and scope of a Possible Framework Convention on Sustainable Housing. This document is based on the outcomes of the previous meetings of the Working Group and the *Synthesis of UNECE member State views on a possible legal instrument on housing issues*.

Delegations will be invited to discuss this document and to provide other examples of objectives and scope of a Possible Framework Convention.

### **4. Conclusions and next steps**

The Chair will summarize the major outcomes of the meeting. Delegations will be invited to take note of conclusions and next steps to be taken including for the organization of the fourth meeting of the Working Group.

## 5. Mobilization of resources in support of the Working Group

The work of the Working Group, including the equal participation of representatives from the whole region in its meetings, relies on voluntary extrabudgetary contributions provided by donors. Participants will be encouraged to inform the meeting about any pledges by member States to provide extrabudgetary funds in support of the work.

## 6. Other business

The Working Group will be invited to decide on the date and venue of its next meeting.

## 7. Closing of the meeting

Closing remarks by the Chair of the Working Group.

## III. Tentative timetable

<i>Date and time</i>	<i>Agenda Item</i>
<b>Tuesday, 3 April 2012</b>	
10.00-13.00	Item 1. Adoption of the agenda Item 2. Summary of outcomes of previous meetings of the Working Group and decisions taken at the seventy-second session of the Committee on Housing and Land Management Item 3. Discussion on objectives and scope of a Possible Framework Convention on Sustainable Housing
15.00-18.00	Item 3. Continue Item 4. Conclusions and next steps Item 5. Mobilization of resources in support of the Working Group Item 6. Other business Item 7. Closing of the meeting