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Achieving Sustainable Development Goals in Georgia:

The Contribution of SDG Indicators to Evidence-based
Policy-making for Sustainable Housing, Urban
Development and Land Management
at National and Local Levels

26 - 27 June 2019

Venue: Tech Park, Innovation Street 7, Okrokana, Tbilisi, Georgia

Day 1. Workshop on Evidence-based policy-making for sustainable urban development with a focus on housing in Georgia

26 June 2019

9.00 – 9:30	Registration of participants
	Moderator: Ms. Agata Krause , UNECE expert on sustainable urban development, and Mr. Ryan Manzie Macauley , Housing Policy Expert, UN-Habitat
09:30 – 10.30	Opening and welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Mzia Giorgobiani, Deputy Minister of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia- Mr. Ivane Tsartsidze, Chairman of National Agency of Public Registry- Ms. Tamila Barkalaia, Deputy Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the occupied territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia- Ms. Elena Busch, Project Manager, Norwegian Mapping Authority (video address)- Ms. Louisa Vinton, UNDP Resident Representative in Georgia- Ms. Amie Figueiredo, Housing and Land Management Unit, UNECE- Mr. Ryan Manzie Macauley, UN-Habitat- Mr. Levan Samadashvili, Chief of Party, USAID Good Governance Initiative (GGI)
10:30 – 11:30	Session 1. 'Achieving the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development in Georgia after nationalization of SDGs' <p><i>Representatives of the national government and the UNDP Georgia present work supporting the review and implementation of the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and achieving the SDGs, especially SDG1.</i></p> <p>Presentation about the work of the Sustainable Development Goals Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Nina Sarishvili - Head of Policy Planning and Coordination Department <p>Presentation of the project on "Support in the Implementation of UN Sustainable Development Goals in Georgia"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Nina Sarishvili - Head of Policy Planning and Coordination Department <p>Questions and answers</p>
11.30 – 11:45	Coffee Break
11.45 – 12.15	Session 2. Evidence-based policy-making in the context of the SDG11 'to make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable' in Georgia <p><i>The session focuses on the review of selected sustainable housing and urban development policies and projects in Georgia, especially in relation to their current</i></p>

	<p><i>status and planned policy initiatives and other activities.</i></p> <p>Good governance as a backbone for strong evidence-based policies for sustainable housing and urban development in Georgia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Joseph Salukvadze, USAID Good Governance Initiative Expert <p>Policies and projects for provision of affordable housing in Georgia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms. Nutsi Odisharia, Head of Social Protection Department under MoLSHA - Mr. Norberto Pignatti, ISET. <p>Questions and discussion</p>
12:15 – 13:00	<p>Session 3. ‘Ensuring sustainable and inclusive housing through improving data governance’</p> <p><i>Presentations focus on challenges and opportunities for production and management of statistics for housing policies and SDG11 in Georgia, including current approaches to data production, collection of the administrative data for reporting on SDGs and the issue of inter–municipal cooperation (IMC).</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Giorgi Mikeladze, National Statistical Agency of Georgia, Georgia - Mr. Kakha Gurgenidze, USAID Good Governance Initiative Expert <p>Questions and discussion</p>
13:00 – 14:00	<p>Lunch break</p>
14:00 – 15:15	<p>Session 4. ‘Innovative Approaches to the implementation and review of Goal 11 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the ECE region’</p> <p><i>The session focuses on frameworks, methodologies and tools supporting development and review of evidence-based policies for sustainable urban development with a focus on housing in the ECE region.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Tanya Lokot, Assistant Professor, Dublin City University, Ireland, - Ms. Elena Busch, Norwegian Mapping Authority (video address), - Ms. Agata Krause, UNECE expert on urban development and housing - Mr. Robert Hermans, CBS Urban data centre (video address) - Ms. Amie Figueiredo, Housing and Land Management Unit, UNECE. <p>Questions and discussion</p>
15.15 – 15.30	<p>Coffee break</p>
15.30 – 16:45	<p>Session 5. ‘Contribution of the Key Performance Indicators to developing sustainable urban development plans and strategies in Georgia’</p> <p><i>Interactive discussion aiming to understand how global indicators for sustainable development embedded in the framework of the Key Performance Indicators for Smart and Sustainable Cities (KPIs) could be used to support development and implementation of local urban policies (strategies and plans) in Georgia.</i></p> <p>Guided discussion based on the presentation about selected KPIs and the following questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Which the KPIs hold a particular relevance to urban development challenges in your context? why? 2) Which of the indicators you have already used to develop housing and urban policies/plans/strategies to your context? Provide example.

	<p>3) Which of the KPIs could be used to develop better evidence-based sustainable urban development plans and strategies in Georgia and why?</p> <p>Scheduled contributions from the representatives of the Ministries, National Statistical office of Georgia GEOSTAT and municipalities.</p>
16:45 – 17:00	<p>Summary and conclusions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Nino Gventsadze, Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia- Ms. Amie Figueiredo, Housing and Land Management Unit, UNECE- Ms. Agata Krause, UNECE expert on sustainable urban development and housing.

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Day 2 Training on urban planning and urban infrastructure
27 June 2019

08.00 – 09.30	Registration of participants
09.30 – 09.45	Welcome and introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Nino Gventsadze, Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia,- Mr. Alexandre Hedjazi, University of Geneva,- Ms. Amie Figueiredo, Housing and Land Management Unit, UNECE.
09.45 – 11.00	Session 1. Measuring and Benchmarking sustainable infrastructure. The Zoffnass Program on sustainable Infrastructure. Tools & Methods. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Prof. Spiro N. Pollalis, Harvard University, USA
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee break
11.15 – 12.30	Exercise: Benchmarking Sustainable Infrastructure in Georgia.
12:30 – 13:30	Session 2. Integrating Nature-Based solutions in Urban Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr. Alexandre B. Hedjazi, Senior Lecturer, Institute for Environmental Sciences, University of Geneva.- Mr. Tural Aliyev, Ph.D. Graduate Researcher, Sustainable Urbanism, University of Geneva. “Sustainable Retrofitting of Urban Spaces: Evidence-based development strategies in post-soviet cities”
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch Break
14.30 – 15.30	Exercise on Benchmarking Sustainable Infrastructure. Integrating Nature-Based Solutions in Urban Design towards sustainable cities.
15:30 – 16:00	Discussion: Possibilities of integrating Nature-Based Solutions in Georgia Conclusion and Final Remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms. Nino Gventsadze, Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia,- Mr. Spiro Pollalis, Harvard University,- Mr. Alexandre Hedjazi, University of Geneva.

Conference organisers

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