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**Adoption of the programme of work of the housing and land management component of the Housing, Land Management and Population subprogramme for 2016-2017**

### **Draft programme of work of the Housing and Land Management Component of Housing, Land Management and Population Subprogramme for 2016-2017**

#### **Note by the Secretariat**

*Summary*

This note contains a draft programme of work of the housing and land management component of Housing, Land Management and Population subprogramme (“the subprogramme HLM component”) for 2016–2017.

The Committee on Housing and Land Management is invited to adopt it and recommend to the Executive Committee (EXCOM) 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 2016–2017. The Committee on Housing and Land Management (“the Committee”) is invited to adopt it and recommend to the Executive Committee (EXCOM) for approval. Any subsequent additional, discontinued or carried over outputs will be reflected in the Integrated Monitoring and Document Information System (IMDIS) 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 2016-2017.
2. The draft programme of work applies a results-based management (RBM) 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 2016–2017. 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 are listed in Annex III.

## II. Objective, strategy and external factors

6. The objective of the subprogramme HLM component is to improve the housing, urban and land governance in the region.
7. The responsibility for the subprogramme HLM component is vested in the Forests, Land and Housing Division. The HLM component works to improve housing, real estate markets, urban development and land administration and management. It promotes the implementation of the Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing (ECE/HPB/2014/2) and the Strategy for Sustainable Housing and Land Management in the ECE region for the period 2014-2020 (ECE/HBP/2013/3). To promote sustainable housing and real estate markets, the subprogramme HLM component will cooperate with member States to improve housing energy efficiency and affordability and to develop real estate markets which contribute to economic growth. The subprogramme will support governments in preparing national action plans on energy efficiency in the residential sector, as recommended in the Action Plan for Energy-Efficient Housing in the UNECE Region (ECE/HBP/164). It will also promote an integrated approach to sustainable urban development, i.e., to planning and building sustainable cities and urban settlements. Activities under this area of work will focus on capacity-building for the spatial planning of compact, smart, efficient and inclusive cities and low-carbon, disaster-resilient urban development. To assist member States to improve land administration and land management, the subprogramme HLM component will address land registration, e-governance, land tenure, spatial information and cadastres. An emphasis will be placed on the challenge of informal settlements and the organizational structure of land registries and

cadastres. Country profiles on housing and land management which assess the housing and land sectors of a country will be conducted upon the request of member States. They will be coordinated by the secretariat and drafted by independent international and national experts. The Committee on Housing and Land Management will monitor and provide policy guidance on the implementation of the country profile recommendations. The subprogramme HLM component will contribute to the post-2015 Development Agenda in cities, energy, environmental protection and other topics related to housing, urban planning and land management.

8. The subprogramme HLM component is expected to achieve its objective and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) adequate national statistical data and information are available on housing and land management; (b) political will, an adequate legislative and regulatory framework, adequate institutions and sufficient resources exist to allow member States implement the recommendations of the Committee on Housing and Land Management; (c) there is political will to support activities that improve the knowledge base and capacity for designing and implementing housing, urban development and land management policies and programmes; and (d) extra-budgetary resources are available for the undertaking of country profile studies in housing and land administration, and for other thematic studies and activities.

## II. Outputs/activities to be delivered during the biennium

9. During the biennium 2016-2017, the following outputs will be delivered:

**(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):**

(i) Committee on Housing and Land Management:

- Substantive servicing of meetings: Committee on Housing and Land Management (8); Bureau of the Committee (16); Real Estate Market Advisory Group (4);
- Parliamentary documentation: reports of the Committee (2); set of documents on specific topics requested by the Committee (approximately 8 documents) (1); reports of the meetings of the Real Estate Market Advisory Group (2);

(ii) Working Party on Land Administration:

- Substantive servicing of meetings: biennial session of the Working Party on Land Administration (3); Bureau of the Working Party on Land Administration (16);
- Parliamentary documentation: report of the biennial session of the Working Party (1); set of documents on specific topics requested by the Working Party (approximately 6 documents) (1); report of the Bureau of the Working Party on Land Administration (1);

**(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):**

- (i) Non-recurrent publications: country profiles on housing and land management (2); best practices and guidelines on sustainable housing (1);

(ii) Booklets, fact sheets, wall charts, information kits: booklets and fact sheets of the Committee on Housing and Land Management and the Working Party on Land Administration (2);

(iii) Press releases, press conferences: annual sets of press releases to be issued on the occasion of meetings, forums and the issuance of publications related to housing and land management activities (2);

(iv) Technical material: maintenance of the website providing access to information and documents related to housing and land management activities (2); housing standards and technical guidelines (3);

**(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget and extrabudgetary):**

(i) Advisory services: fact finding and advisory missions in preparation for and follow-up to the country profiles on housing, land administration and spatial planning (3);

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: workshops, seminars and training courses on housing and land administration (including real estate) and spatial planning (8);

## Annex I

### The expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures for 2016-2017

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*Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat*    *Indicators of achievement*

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(a) Improved capacity for policy formulation and implementation in housing, urban planning and land administration

(a) Increased number of countries which participate in ECE results-oriented assessment of national housing policies and land administration systems

Performance measures

2012-2013: 25 countries

Estimate 2014-2015: 36 countries

Target 2016-2017: 37 countries

(b) Strengthened implementation of ECE guidelines on housing, urban planning and land management

(b) Increased number of countries which apply ECE guidelines on housing, urban planning and land management in their national policies

Performance measures

2012-2013: 23 countries

Estimate 2014-2015: 27 countries

Target 2016-2017: 29 countries

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## Annex II

### Details of proposed publications for 2016-2017

#### 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/173, p. 62	Print and electronic	A4	110	E	R	600E, 200R
2	Country Profile on Housing and Land Management	ECE/HBP/173, p. 62	Print and electronic	A4	110	E	R	600E, 200R
3	Challenges and Priorities in Housing and Urban Development in the ECE Region	ECE/HBP/173, p. 95	Print and electronic	A4	125	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	A/70/6 (Sect.20)	Print and electronic	A4	4	E	R	600E, 300R
2	Fact sheets of the Working Party on Land Administration	A/70/6 (Sect.20)	Print and electronic	A4	4	E	R	600E, 300R

## Annex III

### I. Legislative mandates

#### A. Overall ECE legislative mandates

##### 1. Resolutions of the General Assembly

<i>Res No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
55/2	United Nations Millennium Declaration
57/144	Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit
57/253	World Summit on Sustainable Development
57/270 B	Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields
60/248	Special subjects relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007
65/185	Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly
68/222	Development cooperation with middle-income countries
66/288	The future we want
67/10	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Eurasian Economic Community
67/13	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization
67/14	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization
67/15	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization
67/83	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe
67/148	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
68/204	Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development
68/212	Protection of global climate for present and future

<i>Res No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
	generations of humankind
68/225	Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation
67/226	Quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system
68/230	South-South cooperation
67/264	Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation
67/290	Format and organizational aspects of the high-level political forum on sustainable development
68/6	Outcome document of the Special Event to follow up on efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals

## 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
2012/30	Role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of relevant General Assembly resolutions, including resolution 61/16
2013/1	Outcome of the review of the 2005 Reform of the Economic Commission for Europe
2013/16	Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

## 3. Others

### i. Economic and Social Council Decision

<i>Res No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
2011/247	Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its forty-fourth session and provisional agenda and documentation for its forty-fifth session

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**ii. United Nations Economic Commission for Europe decisions**


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<i>Res No</i>	<i>Title</i>
ECE/AC.21/ 2002/8	Declaration on the establishment of a Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) adopted at the Second High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment
A (64)	The Work of the Economic Commission for Europe

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


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<i>Res No</i>	<i>Title</i>
68/239	Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

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


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<i>Res No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
ECE/HBP/2013/3	Strategy for Sustainable Housing and Land Management in the ECE region for the period 2014-2020
E/ECE/1478/rev.1	Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing

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