



## Brief explanation about the documents to be considered at the seventy-eighth session of the Committee on Housing and Land Management, including its Ministerial Segment

Throughout the seventy-eighth session of the Committee on Housing and Land Management a broad range of documents will be discussed. To facilitate the discussions, the table below provides an overview of all relevant documents, separated by the type – framework documents, official and information documents – sorted by session and presented chronologically.

Official documents are available in English, French and Russian. Information documents are only in English. Please be aware that **the session is a paperless meeting and the documents will not be available as a hard copy, except** for the agenda (ECE/HBP/189) and Geneva Ministerial Declaration on Sustainable Housing and Urban Development (ECE/HBP/2017/1). We invite you to review the documents before the meeting and when necessary print those for yourself or download to your computer.

All documents are available at <https://www.unece.org/housing/committee78thsession.html>.

<b>Framework documents</b>		
<i>Important framework documents for the future work of the Committee.</i>		
<i><u>These documents are for information.</u></i>		
Relevant Session	Document number	Name and short description
<b>First panel discussion “The role of national governments in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the New Urban Agenda and other relevant global agreements”</b>		
08/11/2017 - 10:30-11:30	A/RES/70/1	<b>2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in 2015 by Member States and its Global indicator framework for the SDGs by ECOSOC in July 2017, established an important framework for the future work of the Committee. The document is available under <a href="https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015/transformingourworld">https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015/transformingourworld</a>.</li> </ul>
	A/CONF.226/4	<b>New Urban Agenda (UN Habitat III)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The New Urban Agenda is the outcome document agreed upon at the Habitat III cities conference in Quito, Ecuador, in October 2016. It will guide the efforts around urbanization of a wide range of actors - nation states, city and regional leaders, international development funders, United Nations programmes and civil society - for the next 20 years. The document is available under <a href="http://habitat3.org/the-new-urban-agenda/">http://habitat3.org/the-new-urban-agenda/</a>.</li> </ul>
<b>Second panel discussion “How the Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing inspired practical steps to promote sustainable housing at regional, national and local levels”</b>		
08/11/2017 - 12:00-13:00,	E/ECE/1478/Rev.1	<b>Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing</b>

15:00-16:00		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Charter is a non-legally binding document that aims to support member States as they seek to ensure access to decent, adequate, affordable and healthy housing for all. It was endorsed by UNECE on 16 April 2015.</li> </ul>
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<b>Official documents</b>		
<i>These documents are for adoption by the Committee or for decisions</i>		
Relevant Session	Document number	Name and short description
<b>Introduction of the Geneva Ministerial Declaration on Sustainable Housing and Urban Development</b>		
08/11/2017 - 10:20- 10:30	ECE/HBP/ 2017/1	<b>Geneva Ministerial Declaration on Sustainable Housing and Urban Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>For endorsement for the adoption by the Ministers and high-level delegates</b></li> <li>This document provides the final version of the Ministerial Declaration agreed upon by the Bureau.</li> <li>The Committee is invited to endorse the Ministerial Declaration to be adopted by the Ministers and heads of delegation.</li> </ul>
<b>Proposed draft decision of the Committee based on the panel discussion<sup>1</sup>:</b> The Committee endorsed the Ministerial Declaration to be adopted by the Ministers and heads of delegation.		
<b>First panel discussion “The role of national governments in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the New Urban Agenda and other relevant global agreements”</b>		
08/11/2017 - 10:30- 11:30	ECE/HBP/ 2017/2	<b>Activities of the Committee on Housing and Land Management since the seventy-seventh session and its future activities for 2018-2019</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This document provides an overview of the Committee’s activities since the seventy-seventh session, and outlines a proposed workplan for the end of 2017 and 2018-2019.</li> <li>The Committee is invited to take note of the information on the implemented activities and to approve the proposed activities, pending the adoption of the 2018-2019 programme of work by the Committee and its further approval by the Executive Committee.</li> </ul>
<b>Proposed draft decision of the Committee based on the panel discussion:</b> The Committee requested the Bureau to prepare a Guidance document for implementation of the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and the New Urban Agenda for discussion at the seventy-ninth session.		

<sup>1</sup> The proposed draft decisions were agreed by the Committee Bureau at its meeting on 14 October 2017 in Prague

<b>Second panel discussion “How the Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing inspired practical steps to promote sustainable housing at regional, national and local levels”</b>		
08/11/2017 - 12:00- 13:00, 15:00- 16:00       <b>16:00- 16:30</b>	ECE/HBP/ 2017/2	<p><b>Activities of the Committee on Housing and Land Management since the seventy-seventh session and its future activities for 2018-2019</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This document provides information on the Committee’s activities since the seventy-seventh session, and outlines a proposed workplan for 2017 and 2018-2019.</li> </ul> <p><b>Presentation and discussion of preliminary outcomes of the UNECE study on housing for migrants</b></p>
<p><b>Proposed draft decisions based on the panel discussions:</b></p> <p>The Committee requested the Bureau to strengthen cooperation with Housing Europe (with its Adhoc group on housing in transition countries) and other relevant organisations on capacity building in housing.</p> <p>The Committee took note of the findings of the ECE housing for migrants study, approved the development of the online database and the publication of the study report as an official publication.</p>		
08/11/2017 - 15:00- 16:00	ECE/HBP/ 2017/3	<p><b>Framework guidelines for energy efficiency standards in buildings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>For adoption by the Committee</b></li> <li>The framework guidelines for energy efficiency standards in buildings developed under the Committee on Sustainable Energy’s Group of Experts on Energy Efficiency provide a framework for the work of the Joint Task Force on energy efficiency standards in buildings. This document represents a starting point for mapping energy efficiency standards and for training and capacity building.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Proposed draft decision:</b></p> <p>The Committee took note of the information provided and adopted the Framework guidelines for energy efficiency standards in buildings.</p>		
<b>Land administration and management</b>		
08/11/2017 - 16:30- 17:00	ECE/HBP/ 2017/4	<p><b>Draft programme of work of the Working Party on Land Administration for 2018-2019</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>For adoption by the Committee</b></li> <li>This Document contains a proposed programme of work for the Working Party on Land Administration for the years 2018 and 2019.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Proposed draft decision:</b></p> <p>The Committee adopted the Working Party programme of work 2018-2019 and recommended to EXCOM for approval</p> <p>The Committee approved publication of the Technical Guidelines on Informal Settlements in the ECE Region as an official publication.</p>		
<b>Country Profiles on housing and land management</b>		

08/11/2017 - 17:00- 17:30	ECE/HBP/ 2017/5	<p><b>Draft revised guidelines for the preparation of ECE Country Profiles on Housing and Land Management</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>For approval by the Committee</b></li> <li>• In 2016, an evaluation on the role of ECE country profiles on housing and land management was conducted; its outcomes and recommendations were presented at the seventy-seventh Committee session. This note is prepared by the secretariat and contains the revised guidelines and the evaluation outcomes.</li> </ul>
	ECE/HBP/ 2017/6	<p><b>Draft Executive Summary of the publication “Country Profile on Housing and Land Management - Kazakhstan”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>For endorsement of key recommendations by the Committee</b></li> <li>• This document provides an overview of the housing and urban development situation in Kazakhstan and policy recommendations. The Committee will be invited to endorse the policy recommendations and approve the publishing of the Country Profile of Kazakhstan (ECE/HBP/191).</li> </ul>
<p><b>Proposed draft decisions:</b></p> <p>The Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- approved the updated Guidelines for the preparation of the UNECE Country Profiles on Housing and Land Management</li> <li>- endorsed the key outcomes and policy recommendations of the Country Profile of Kazakhstan and approved the publishing of the Country Profile of Kazakhstan</li> <li>- took note of the information provided on the preparation of the Country Profile Belarus and approved the publication of the Country Profile Belarus as an official publication</li> <li>- invited member States to propose financial or in-kind expert contributions to the next country profiles.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Adoption of the programme of work of the housing and land management component of the Housing, Land Management and Population subprogramme for 2018-2019 and of the strategic framework for the housing and land management component of the Housing, Land Management and Population subprogramme for 2020-2021</b></p>		
09/11/2017 - 15:30- 16:00	ECE/HBP/ 2017/7	<p><b>Draft Programme of Work of the Housing and Land Management Component of the Housing, Land Management and Population subprogramme for 2018-2019</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>For adoption by the Committee</b></li> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>
	ECE/HBP/ 2017/8  ECE/HBP/2017/ 8/Corr.1	<p><b>Draft Strategic Framework 2020-2021 Housing and Land Management Component of Subprogramme 08: Housing, Land Management and Population</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>For adoption by the Committee</b></li> <li>• This document includes the draft strategic framework 2020-2021 for the housing and land management component of</li> </ul>

		Subprogramme 08: Housing, Land Management and Population, which was endorsed by the Bureau of the Committee on Housing and Land Management.
<b>Proposed draft decisions:</b>		
The Committee adopted the programme of work and recommended to EXCOM for its adoption.		
The Committee approved the publication of the brochures of the Committee and Working Party as promotional materials.		
The Committee adopted the Strategic Framework 2020-2021 (Corr.1) for the housing and land management component of the subprogramme.		

<b>Information documents</b>		
<i>Documents for information</i>		
<b>Relevant Session</b>	<b>Document number</b>	<b>Name and short description</b>
<b>First panel discussion “The role of national governments in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the New Urban Agenda and other relevant global agreements”</b>		
08/11/2017 - 10:30-11:30	Information Document 1	<b>Strategic approaches for the future implementation of the 2030 Agenda and other key global agreements</b>  The document discusses strategic directions for the implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing and other relevant global and regional agreements.
<b>Second panel discussion “How the Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing inspired practical steps to promote sustainable housing at regional, national and local levels”</b>		
08/11/2017 - 12:00-13:00	Information Document 4	<b>Summary of Activities on Smart Sustainable Cities and the KPIs for Smart Sustainable Cities</b>  This information document provides a summary of ongoing activities under the “United Smart Cities” project and future steps under the Committee’s work programme. The Committee is invited to take note of the standard development, on the initiative and the proposed future activities.
	Information Document 5	<b>Smart Sustainable City Profile of Goris, Armenia</b>  In 2014, the UNECE received the request from the State Urban Development Committee of Armenia to elaborate the Smart Sustainable City Profile for the city of Goris by using the UNECE/ITU Smart Sustainable Cities Indicators. This information document provides the full Profile for Goris. The Committee is invited to take note of it.
<b>Lunch event REM/George Mason University “Roundtable on the Policy Framework for Sustainable Real Estate Markets”</b>		
08/11/2017 - 13:00-15:00	Information Document 3	<b>Policy Framework for Sustainable Real Estate Markets</b>

(also to be discussed in the Second Panel discussion)		REM experts agreed on the need to develop a framework for promoting sound real estate markets as well as improved financing for the sector. The draft Policy Framework prepared by REM Chair is based on the 2010 edition of the UNECE REM Policy Framework for Sustainable Real Estate Markets. The Committee is invited to provide comments to the draft.
<b>Presentation and discussion of preliminary outcomes and recommendations of the UNECE study on housing migrants</b>		
08/11/2017 - 16:00-16:30	Information Document 2	<b>Key outcomes and policy recommendations of the study on housing migrants</b>  The document includes key outcomes of the UNECE Housing Migrants Study which examines the current challenges and practices in housing new migrants in the UNECE region. The Committee is invited to take note of the document.
<b>Land administration and management</b>		
08/11/2017 - 16:30-17:00	Information Document 7	<b>Concept Note for Technical Guidelines on Informal Settlements in the ECE Region</b>  This Information Document contains the proposed outline of work for the development of technical guidelines on formalization of informal real estate and informal markets in the ECE Region prepared jointly by the Working Party on Land Administration and the International Federation of Surveyors, UN-Habitat and other key partners with the support of the secretariat. The Committee is invited to take note of the document.
	Information Document 8	<b>Study on land consolidation</b>  This information document presents the objectives and timeline of a study that will be prepared on land consolidation in the ECE region. The study will draw upon the results and recommendations of a survey study on land policy instruments in ECE member States. The Committee is invited to take note of the document.
<b>Country Profiles on housing and land management</b>		
08/11/2017 - 17:00-17:30	Information Document 9	<b>Draft Country Profile on Housing and Land Management Kazakhstan</b>  This is advance unedited version of a draft publication on the Country Profile of Kazakhstan. The Committee is invited to take note of it.
<b>Interdivisional and interagency cooperation</b>		
08/11/2017 - 17:30-18:00	Information Document 6	<b>UNECE-UN-Habitat joint programme on capacity building</b>  This information document provides an updated on the implementation of a joint programme on capacity building of UNECE and UN-Habitat. The Committee is invited to take note of it.
<b>Roundtable I: Decent, affordable, adequate and healthy housing for all</b>		
09/11/2017 - 09:45-10:45	Information Document 10	<b>Decent, Affordable, Adequate and Healthy Housing for all – Concept Paper</b>  The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the New Urban Agenda and other key documents established a new policy

		frameworks for future activities on social housing at global and regional levels. The concept paper is a background document for the discussions in the roundtable. The Committee is invited to take note of it.
<b>Roundtable II: Sustainable Urban Development Strategies</b>		
09/11/2017 - 11:00-12:00	Information Document 11	<p><b>Background Paper – Towards a city-focused, people-centered and integrated approach to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda in the UNECE Region</b></p> <p>The information document provides an overview of key trends and challenges to sustainable urban development in the UNECE region and formulates recommendations for integrated approach to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda in the UNECE Region. The concept paper is a background document for the discussions in the roundtable. The Committee is invited to take note of it.</p>
	Information Document 12	<p><b>Background Paper – UNECE: Smart Sustainable Cities (SSC) Innovative Financing Options</b></p> <p>The information document provides an overview of innovative financing mechanisms, current and potential, from across the development sector, which could be used to financing Smart Sustainable Cities. The concept paper is a background document for the discussions in the roundtable. The Committee is invited to take note of it.</p>