“Building Urban Economic Resilience during and after COVID-19”

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The UNDA rapid response project focuses specifically on the following areas:

- Massive loss of jobs and unemployment
- Dwindling local government budgets and revenues
- Enormous socio-economic losses in the urban and peri-urban economy
Main Activities & Deliverables

- Diagnostic and Planning Tool on Urban Economic Recovery and Resistance
- Regional Policy Briefs on Urban Economic Recovery and Resilience
- Recovery and Resilience Strategies
- Information packages on sources of financial support for each city
- e-learning course on urban economic resilience building

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About the Regional Policy Brief

The Regional Policy Brief aims to:
- Provide an overview of the socio-economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in the UNECE region;
- Identify urban economic resilience needs of cities;
- Offer policy recommendations, best practices, tools and mechanisms for sustainable urban economic recovery.

Policy recommendations are in the following 4 areas:
- Urban governance
- Socio-economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Nature-based solutions and climate neutrality
- Urban planning and transportation
Regional Policy Brief - Recommendations

- Governments should ensure that recovery measures are focused on areas that can provide value creation for the community.
- Financial support for local and regional governments is a crucial part of the national stimulus and recovery measures.
- Cities should build a strong relationship with civil society and SMEs and involve them in recovery plans and decision making.
- Actions and planning at all levels of government must be geared toward sustainable development and institutionalizing Volunteer National Reviews (VNRs) and Volunteer Local Reviews (VLRs).
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