Technical cooperation projects to support the programmes of work of the CUDHLM

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Technical cooperation at UNECE

• Assist countries with economies in transition in their implementation of UNECE legal instruments, norms and standards through national capacity-building activities and the implementation of technical cooperation projects. Facilitate the sharing of experience and good practices among the UNECE membership.

• Cooperate with UN Country Teams, provide insights on the activities of the UNECE, and wherever possible identify cross-sectoral synergies and engage in technical cooperation activities of a cross-sectoral nature.

• Establish cooperative ties with national, regional and international organizations active in the fields of concern to the Commission.
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UN4Kharkiv and UN4Mykolaiv

In April 2022, the Government of Ukraine invited UNECE to:

(1) provide an analysis and proposals for revisions to the draft National Framework for Programmes for the Integrated Rehabilitation of Settlements and Territories and support its implementation

(2) support the implementation of the pilot project of the reconstruction plan for the city of Kharkiv

(3) based on the revised draft National Framework for Programmes for the Integrated Rehabilitation of Settlements and Territories, establish a list of potential donors and elaborate city-based financing.

In July 2022, the Government requested to start the second pilot project in the city of Mykolaiv.
Forum of Mayors, 5 April 2022: presentations by Lord Foster and Mayor Terekhov
Activities so far within UN4Kharkiv Task Force

12 April  Building Back Better Kharkiv: First coordination meeting with the Ministry for Communities and Territories Development of Ukraine and City Government of Kharkiv to discuss the cooperation on a draft reconstruction plan of the city of Kharkiv

18 April  Meeting with the City Government of Kharkiv, Architect Norman Foster and representatives of the Norman Foster Foundation to discuss the planning of the work on the pilot project on urban reconstruction

5&24 April  Two meetings of the UN4Kharkiv Task Force with participation of representatives of twelve UN agencies and other international organizations

28 May  First meeting with local Kharkiv architects on the Kharkiv master plan

17 June  Second meeting with local Kharkiv architects on the Kharkiv master plan

26-29 June  Side events at the World Urban Forum 11 with the UN4Kharkiv project presentations

Weekly initiative coordination meetings are organized bringing together the Kharkiv city government, UNECE and the Norman Foster Foundation.
Activities within UN4Mykolaiv

- Since July 2022, UNECE is working to help the city of Mykolaiv through a newly established UN4Mykolaiv Task Force.

- One Work, a global design and architecture company, in collaboration with Ukrainian architects works on the development of a new master plan for the city of Mykolaiv to support future rebuilding of the city.

- Weekly coordination meetings are organized engaging the city government, international and local experts to discuss data collection and planning of work.
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Additional workshops to be organized on:
• Greening the city – date tbc
• Digitalization in cities – date tbc
• Healthy cities and housing by WHO

International partners are invited to provide expert support and possibly host the workshops.