

# UNECE tools and activities to promote sustainable housing, urban development and smart sustainable cities



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### Areas of Work



Affordable,  
adequate, climate  
neural housing



Compact, inclusive,  
circular, resilient,  
smart and  
sustainable cities

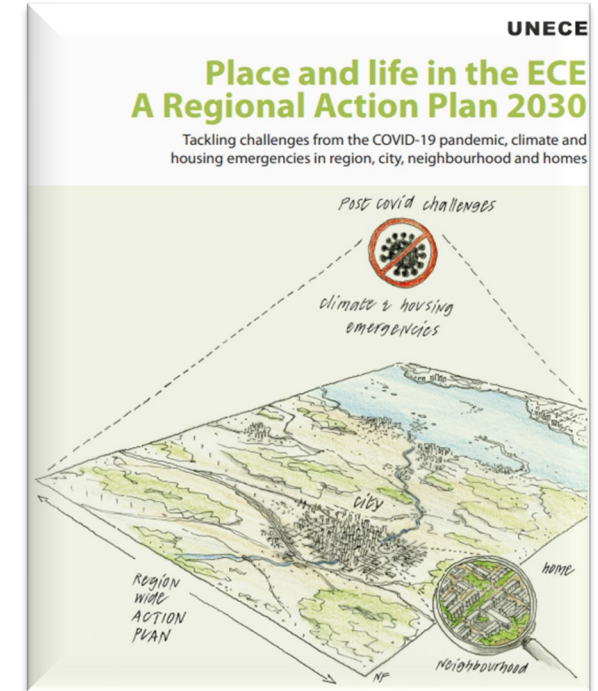
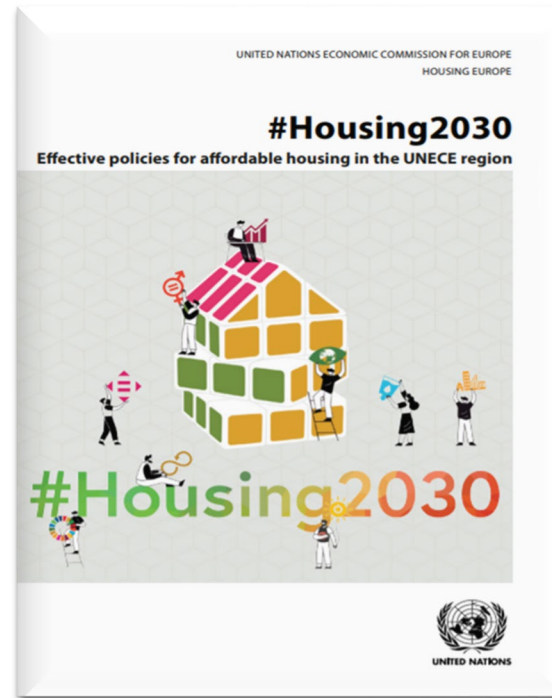
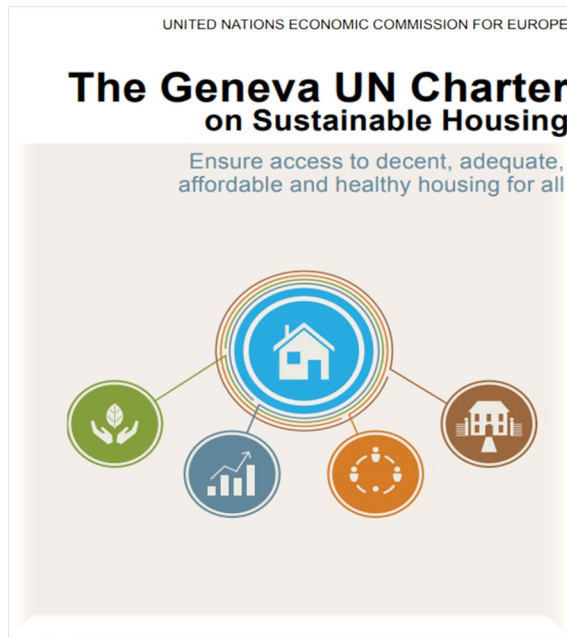


Transparent &  
efficient land use,  
and property  
registration

UNECE convened the First Forum of Mayors in 2020, bringing together over 40 mayors from the UNECE region. The Second Forum of Mayors (4-5 April 2022) served as a platform for the exchange of experiences on the localization of the SDGs.

On 13 January 2023, **UNECE member States (EXCOM)** established the **Forum of Mayors as a subsidiary body of the CUDHLM**. The third Forum of Mayors will be held in Geneva, from 2-3 October 2023.

# UNECE framework documents on housing

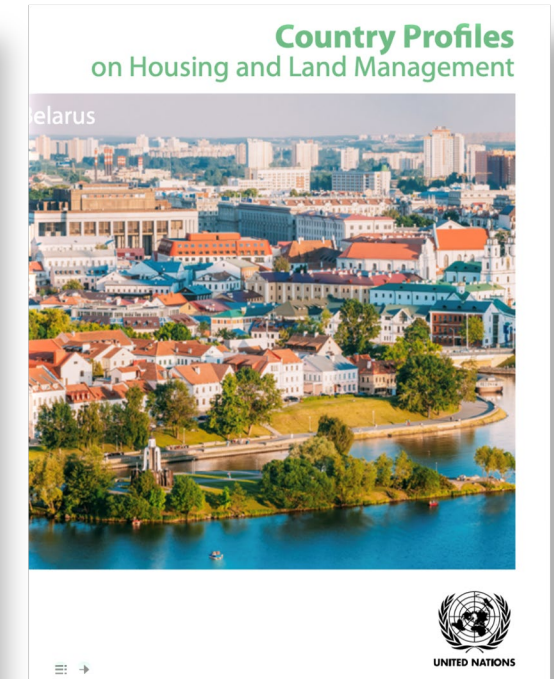
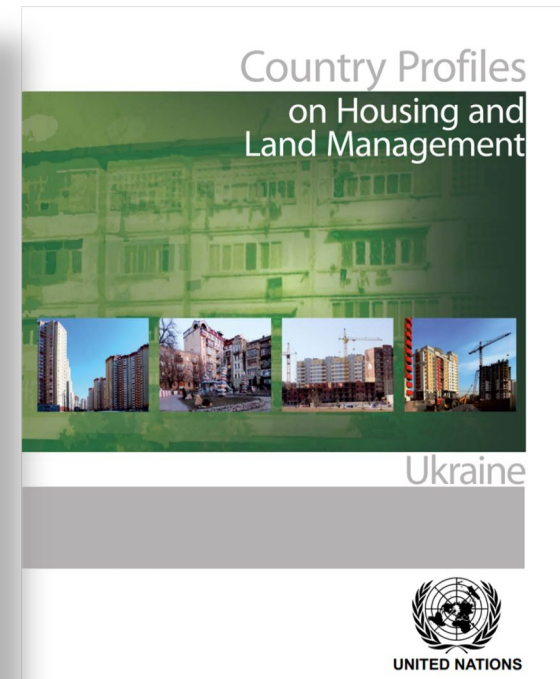
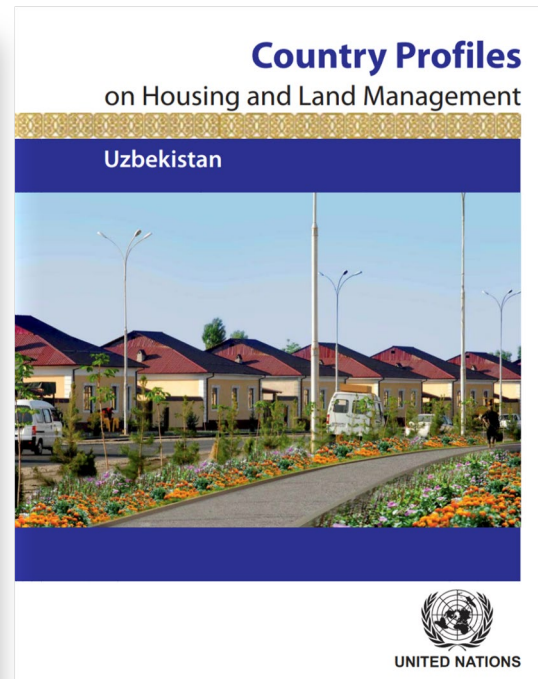
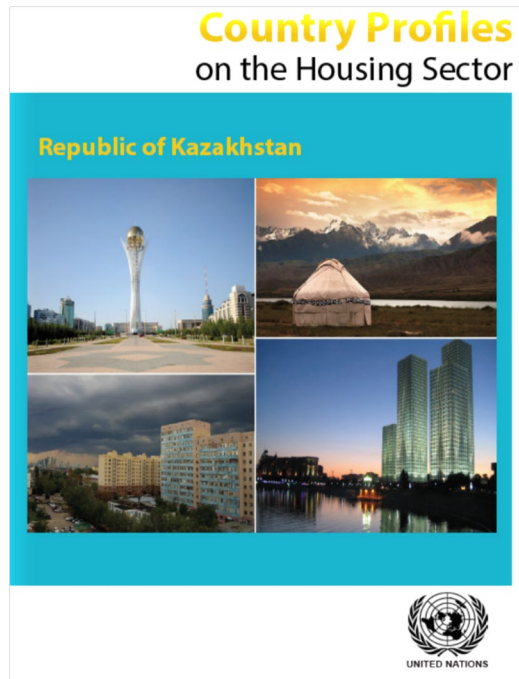


# #Housing2030 tools on climate neutrality

- National strategy, directions and agreements
- Spatial and mobility planning to promote energy-efficient homes, neighborhoods, cities, and regions
- Phasing out fossil fuel subsidies
- Procurement, incentives and support
- Regulation and certification
- Standardization and targets
- **Building management and roadmaps**
- Non-regulatory policy initiatives
- Capacity building and professional training
- Awareness raising amongst households



# Country Profiles on urban development, housing and land management



# Smart Sustainable Cities Profiles

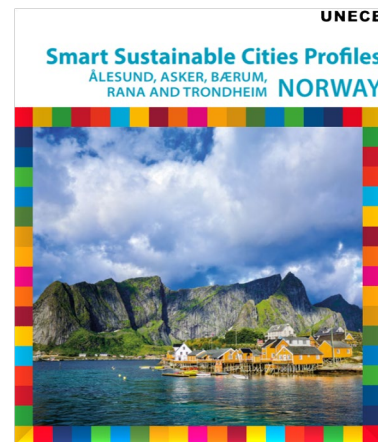


Among KPIs for smart sustainable cities are:

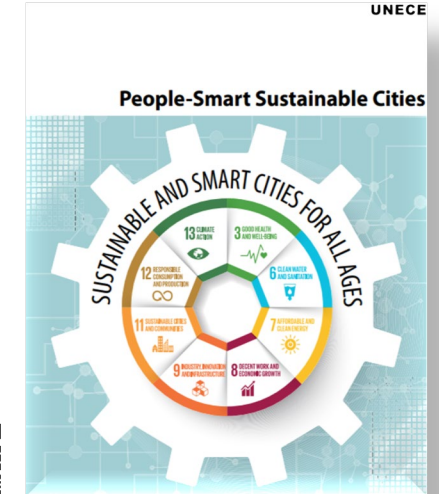
- "Green Areas "
- "Green Area Accessibility"
- "Protected Natural Areas"
- "Recreational Facilities"

Coordinated with the SDG Indicator 11.7.1: The average share of the built-up area of cities that is open space for public use for all, disaggregated by age group, sex and persons with disabilities.

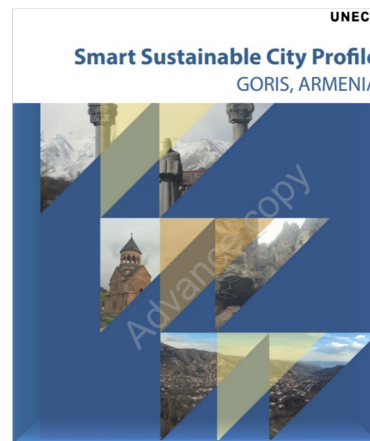
## 5 cities in Norway



## Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan



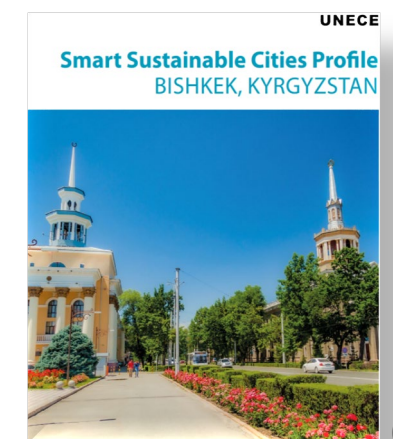
## Goris, Armenia



## Voznesensk, Ukraine



## Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan



# Projects



## UN4UkrainianCities

The project aims to support efforts of national & local governments in Ukraine in their planning and preparations for rebuilding and reconstruction of Kharkiv and Mykolaiv, based on the “build back better” principle. Funded by the United Nations Regular Programme of Technical Cooperation (RPTC) in 2022-2023.



**Voluntary Local Reviews: Evidence for Greener, Resilient and Sustainable Urban Recovery in Eastern European and Central Asian Countries in Transition.** VLR development for Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan), Dushanbe (Tajikistan), Tbilisi (Georgia), Nis (Serbia) using UNECE regional guidelines



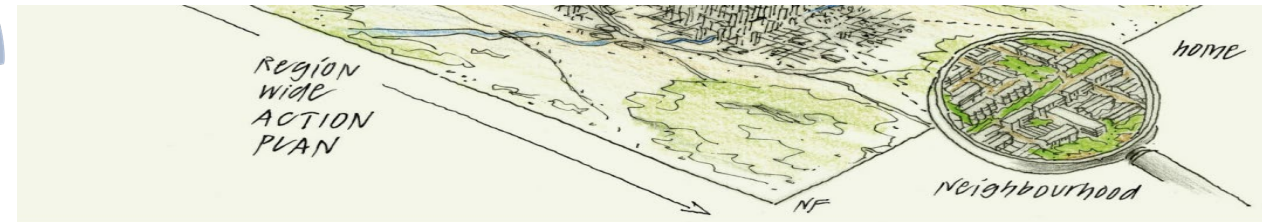
## Building Economic Resilience during and after COVID-19

The project focuses on strengthening capacities of local governments to design and implement sustainable, resilient and inclusive COVID-19 economic and financial responses, recovery & rebuilding plans. Funded by United Nations Development Account (UNDA) 13th tranche.



## Innovative financing for sustainable smart cities

The project supports the transition of beneficiary cities towards being smart & sustainable with a view to support countries in achieving the Sustainable Development Goal 11 and other urban related SDGs. Funded by United Nations Development Account (UNDA) 12th tranche.



# UN4Ukrainian cities activities 2023-2024

Component 1: Support to revisions of the national policy framework for the integrated Rehabilitation of Settlements and Territories and development of an online platform containing a Toolbox for reconstruction of Ukrainian cities

Component 2: Economic and social assessment: Impact survey-based assessment of the socio-economic impact of the war on Kharkiv and Mykolaiv

Component 3: Formulation of pilot projects and identification of investors: Support to the implementation of the cities of Kharkiv and Mykolaiv reconstruction master plans, including formulation of concrete projects

Component 4: Monitoring of implementation and investments: Capacity building and public involvement as well as city-to-city networking activities

Component 5: Monitoring of implementation and investments: Development of an investment tracker.

Planned  
activities  
2023-2024



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