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Extrabudgetary project

Enhancing capacity and cooperation for sustainable urban development in Ukraine

(for approval)

**UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE
TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT FORM**

Project title: Enhancing capacity and cooperation for sustainable urban development in Ukraine		
Expected timing/ duration: January 2025 – June 2026		
Objective and brief summary of the project: The objective of the project is to strengthen the capacity of national and local stakeholders in sustainable urban development, utilizing a comprehensive, evidence-based framework. The project aims to equip stakeholders with the requisite skills in sustainable urban planning to effectively contribute to and execute these solutions, including by establishing feasible and replicable pilot projects derived from concept master plans. The project consists of three main components: supporting the national policy framework for housing and urban development by drafting and integrating new housing laws; building capacity for city restoration planning through training on sustainable urban development and affordable housing; and developing and implementing replicable pilot projects based on master plans with specific focus on Kharkiv and Mykolaiv in particular. In Mykolaiv, the project will enhance public and green spaces, while in Kharkiv, it will focus on retrofitting housing blocks. The project also seeks cooperation with financial institutions to secure investments and improve urban management. The project will achieve its objective by implementing the following activities: A1.1. Support to the national policy framework for housing and urban development; A2.1. Capacity building to support the planning of cities' restoration; A3.1. Development of pilot projects as replicable models; A3.2. Cooperation and financing through bilateral meetings, networking events and workshops.		
Link to the SDG targets: The focus of this project is supporting the attainment of SDG 11 (all targets) In additions, the project contributes to 6.2 and 6B;7.1, 7.2, 7.3 and 7.a; 9.1; 13.1; 16.6. The project will support the implementation of the New Urban Agenda which was adopted by the UN Conference on Sustainable Housing and Urban Development – Habitat III.		
Expected results of the project: EA1. Improved national and local capacities in development and integration of new housing laws and policies to ensure a cohesive national framework for housing and urban planning; EA2. Enhanced skills and knowledge among local and national stakeholders for sustainable urban planning and affordable housing, leading to more effective and informed urban restoration efforts; EA3. Enhanced national and local capacities in creation of scalable urban development models in Kharkiv and Mykolaiv to be adapted and replicated in other locations.		
Target group and beneficiaries of the project: Beneficiary country is Ukraine. The target groups are policy makers at the national, subnational, and local levels, local architects, academia, experts, representatives of civil society and the private sector.		
Justification of project and its relationship to the programme of work: The proposed project directly contributes to the objective of the Subprogramme 8 “Housing, land management and population” “to strengthen member State-owned and city-level programmes and policies promoting decent, adequate, affordable, energy-efficient and healthy housing for all, smart sustainable cities, sustainable urban development and land management, and to advance evidence-based population and social cohesion policies” of the UNECE proposed programme budget for 2025. The project contributes to the Programme of Work of the Housing and Land Management Component of the Housing, Land Management and Population Subprogramme for 2024 (ECE/HBP/2023/7, para. 8 and ECE/HBP/2024/10, para. 8 expected to be adopted by the Committee on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management on the 85 th Session, Geneva, 2-4 October 2024).		
Estimated UN regular budget resources (work months of RB staff/level of Staff): 1 month/P4		
Estimated extra budgetary resources:		
Donor Germany	Amount (US\$) 2,671,590 (€2,451,000)	
Project Manager: Thamara Fortes 12.08.2024	Section/Division: Forests, Land and Housing Division	
Cleared by Programme Management Unit: Nicolas Dath-Baron 12.08.2024	Approved by EXCOM¹	09.09.2024

¹ See paragraph 31 (a) of Commission decision A(65).

Results-based budget for the extrabudgetary project

Expected Accomplishments	Planned activities	Estimated costs (US\$)
EA1. Improved national and local capacities in development and integration of new housing laws and policies to ensure a cohesive national framework for housing and urban planning;	A1.1. Support to the national policy framework for housing and urban development; P3 staff x 3 months x \$15,910 P2 staff x 3 months x \$13,000 G5 staff x 3 months x \$11,615 1 national public policy senior consultant x 18 months x \$3,000 to support the revision of the national legal framework 1 national senior housing policy and urban development consultant x 18 months x \$6,500 to support the revision of the national housing and urban development legal framework 1 national junior consultant x 6 months x \$3,000 to support on local event planning including document translation 1 communication consultant x 3 months x \$6,500 to support the communication campaign under this activity Contractual services x \$10,000 (translation, interpretation, editing, printing and other services) Operational cost x \$10,000 Grant to international and/or national NGOs x \$80,000 to support the revision of the national legal framework	430,975 47,730 39,000 34,845 54,000 117,000 18,000 19,500 10,000 10,900 80,000
EA2. Enhanced skills and knowledge among local and national stakeholders for sustainable urban planning and affordable housing, leading to more effective and informed urban restoration efforts;	A2.1. Capacity building to support the planning of cities' restoration; P3 staff x 6 months x \$15,910 P2 staff x 3 months x \$13,000 G5 staff x 6 months x \$11,615 1 national senior consultant x 6 months x \$6,500 to provide substantive support for the capacity building 1 national junior consultant x 6 months x \$3,000 to support on local event planning including document translation 1 communication consultant x 6 months x \$6,500 to support the communication campaign under this activity Contractual services x \$20,000 (translation, interpretation, editing, printing, and other services) Travel of staff/participants/consultants x 15 missions x \$2,000 Operational cost x \$7,800	357,950 95,460 39,000 69,690 39,000 18,000 39,000 20,000 30,000 7,800
EA3. Improved national and local capacities in creation of scalable urban development models in Kharkiv and Mykolaiv, to be adapted and replicated in other locations.	A3.1. Development of pilot projects as replicable models; P3 staff x 6 months x \$15,910 P2 staff x 9 months x \$13,000 G5 staff x 6 months x \$11,615 1 national senior consultant x 6 months x \$6,500 to provide expert support to the implementation of pilot projects and identification of investments 1 national junior consultant x 6 months x \$3,000 to support document translation and stakeholder coordination 1 communication consultant x 6 months x \$6,500 to support the communication campaign under this activity Contractual services x \$10,000 (translation, interpretation, editing, printing and other services) Grants to international and/or national NGOs x \$439,600 to support formulation of the pilot projects Grants to international and/or national NGOs x \$439,600 to support formulation of the pilot projects Travel of staff/participants/consultants x 15 missions x \$2,000 Operational cost x \$10,000 A3.2. Cooperation and financing through bilateral meetings, networking events and workshops; P3 staff x 3 months x \$15,910 P2 staff x 3 months x \$13,000 G5 staff x 3 months x \$11,615 1 national senior consultant x 6 months x \$6,500 500 to provide expert support to identification of investments 1 communication consultant x 3 months x \$6,500 to support the communication campaign under this activity Contractual services x \$14,450 Travel of staff/participants/consultants x 5 missions x \$2,000 Operational cost x \$10,000	1,307,350 95,460 117,000 69,690 39,000 18,000 39,000 10,000 439,600 439,600 30,000 10,000 214,525 47,730 39,000 34,845 39,000 19,500 14,450 10,000 10,000
Budget summary		2,310,800
Project evaluation		32,700
13% of Programme Support Costs		304,655
1% Coordination Levy		23,435
Total		2,671,590