

Self-regulation and regulation and its enforcement – roles of municipal and national governments

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The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and other global agreements in the ECE Region

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The adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development by the United Nations General Assembly in 2015, the adoption of the New Urban Agenda in 2016 and other key international agreements established new policy frameworks for future activities on sustainable housing and urban development at all levels. Above all, an integrated and coordinated approach at the global, regional, national, subnational and sub-regional levels, with the participation of all relevant stakeholders, is required for meeting the commitments in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the New Urban Agenda and others.

- [2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development](#)
- [New Urban Agenda](#)
- [Addis Ababa Action Agenda on Financing Development](#)
- [Sendai framework for Disaster and Risk Reduction 2015-2030](#)
- [Paris Agreement on Climate Change](#)

2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development

- 1-No Poverty
- 2-No Hunger
- 3-Health
- 4-Education
- 5-Gender Equality
- 6-Water & sanitation
- 7-Clean energy
- 8-Economies
- 9-Innovation
- 10-Reduced inequality
- 11-Cities
- 12-Reduce Consumption
- 13-Climate
- 14-Ocean
- 15-Biodiversity
- 16-Peace
- 17-Partnerships



CITIES IN THE CENTRE



**GOAL 11: MAKING CITIES
AND HUMAN
SETTLEMENTS
INCLUSIVE, SAFE,
RESILIENT AND
SUSTAINABLE**

<http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals>



New Urban Agenda

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- [New Urban Agenda](#) adopted October 2016 in Quito, Ecuador
- Commitments made:
 - Provide basic services for all citizens
 - Ensure that all citizens have access to equal opportunities and face no discrimination
 - Promote measures that support cleaner cities
 - Strengthen resilience in cities to reduce the risk and the impact of disasters
 - Take action to address climate change by reducing their greenhouse gas emissions
 - Fully respect the rights of refugees, migrants and internally displaced persons regardless of their migration status
 - Improve connectivity and support innovative and green initiatives
 - Promote safe, accessible and green public spaces

UNECE approach to cooperation

Promoting:

- Strong institutions, promoting stakeholder involvement, establishment of partnerships,
- Strengthening data driven and indicator based review process and
- Application of innovative financial mechanisms to support the implementation process
- Capacity building and establishment of effective platforms for international cooperation and exchange of best practices





Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing

Main purpose

Ensure the access to decent, affordable
and healthy housing in the ECE region





Geneva UN Charter: Centres of Excellence



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**Glasgow,
UK:
Integrated
Urban
Planning**

Centre of Excellence
is a shared facility that
provides best
practices, research,
support, and/or
training to implement
the principles of the
Geneva UN Charter
on Sustainable
Housing

**Tirana,
Albania:
Housing
Policies**

**Tallinn,
Estonia:
Housing
Management**

**Vienna,
Austria:
Smart
Sustainable
Cities**

Evidence-based policies

- The United Nations Development Account (UNDA) project “**Evidence-based policies for sustainable housing and urban development in selected countries with economies in transition**” is being carried out in collaboration with UN-Habitat in 2017-2019.
- The project supports efforts of the governments to collect and analyse data and information on housing and urban development needed for the development and implementation of specific policies.
- Guidelines based on the analysis of the situation in the countries, are being developed. The guidelines include the methodology for data collection relevant to the 2030 Agenda and New Urban Agenda.
- Advisory missions and national trainings are organised in Albania, Georgia, Kyrgyzstan and Ukraine, where using examples of specific policy documents, national authorities are trained in collecting and analysis data for evidence based policy making.



Sustainable Urban Development

Activities on Smart Sustainable Cities via the “United for Smart Sustainable Cities” (U4SSC)

Publications “Methodology to evaluate Smart Sustainable Cities” jointly with ITU, which includes the Key Performance Indicators for Smart Sustainable Cities, “Connecting cities and communities with the Sustainable Development Goals”,

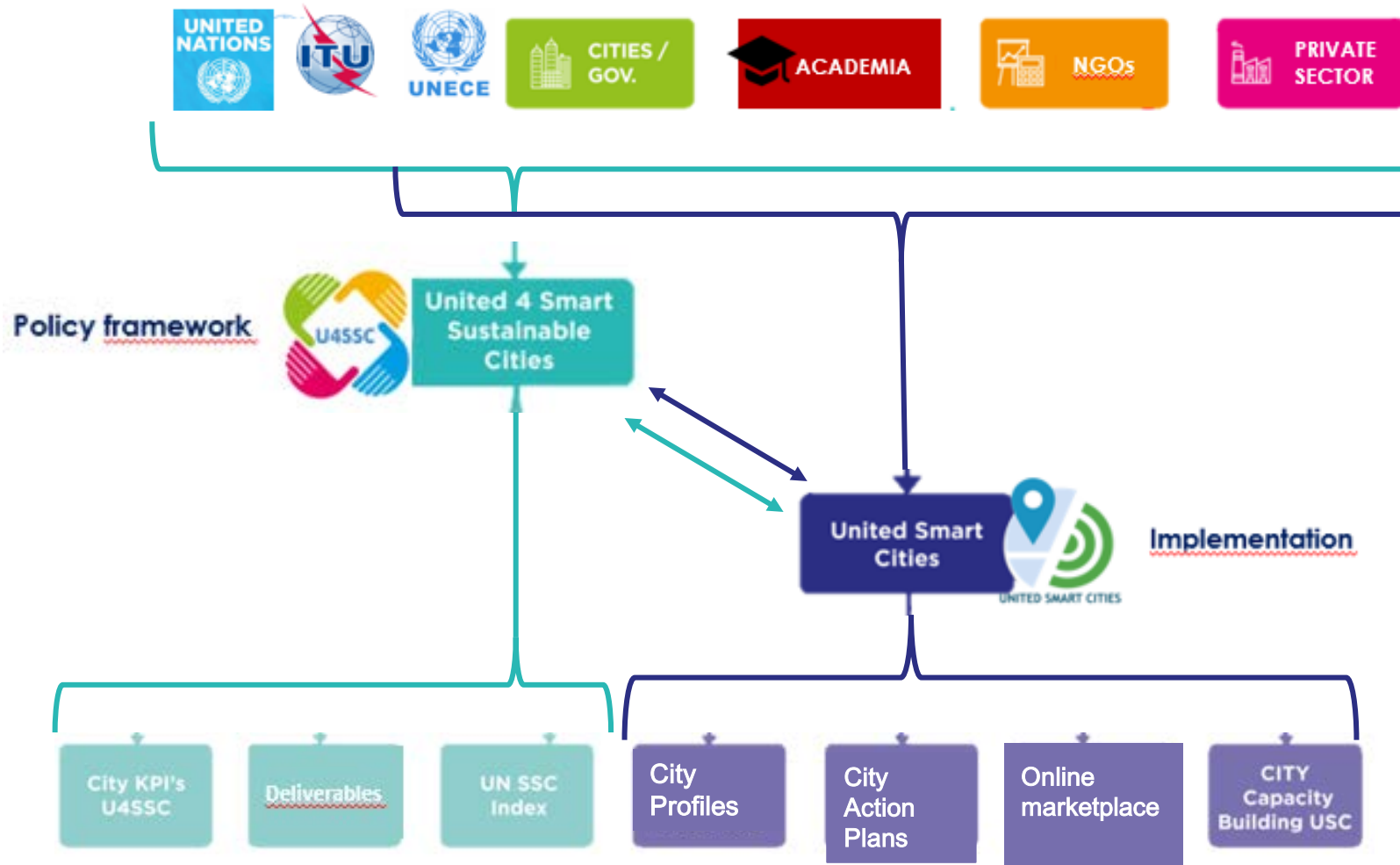
Through the USC, publication of the Smart Sustainable City Profile for Goris and for Vozsensensk.

Online United for Smart Cities Platform for KPI evaluation



The United for Smart Sustainable Cities and the United Smart Cities

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KPIs for smart sustainable cities to assess the achievement of SDGs



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Developed by a consortium of organizations (2015-2017)



International free standard



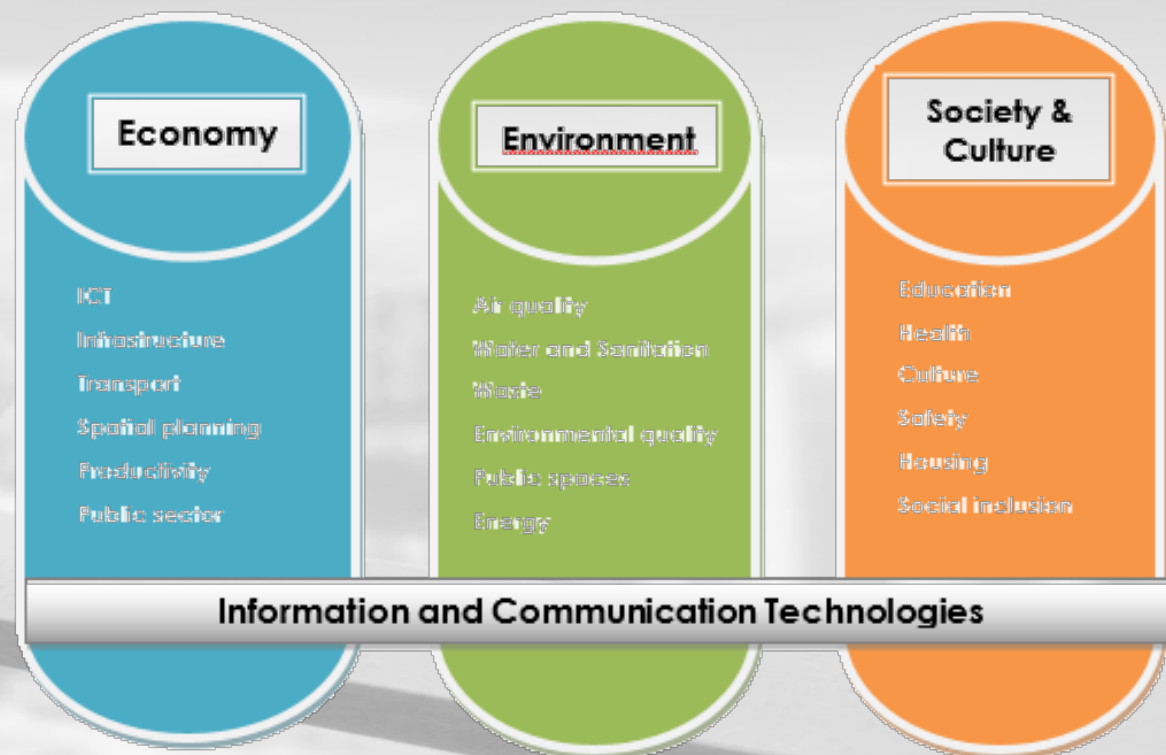
Uniqueness: address smartness & sustainability of a city



Support the localization of SDGs



50 cities around the world



Benefits and lessons learned

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BENEFITS



- ❖ To show gaps and areas for improvement but also to demonstrate performance and outcomes
- ❖ To serve as a starting point for action
- ❖ To set priorities
- ❖ To measure changes
- ❖ To standardize data collection
- ❖ To support to achieve the SDGs

- Data availability/scarcity and data-use legislation
- Diversification of collection practices (lack of harmonization)
- Resources: human and financial
- Expertise, skills and information on which data to collect



Sustainable Urban Development – city level

1. Smart Sustainable City Profiles: Voznesensk (Ukraine)
2. City Action Plan for Goris (Armenia)
3. U4SSC initiative (jointly with ITU and other 14 UN bodies – UNECE Secretariat):
 - “Guidelines on tools and mechanisms to finance smart sustainable cities projects”
 - "Guidelines for Circular Cities"
4. Smart sustainable district development in Astana

Events:

Third meeting of the U4SSC, 25-25 April 2018, Malaga, Spain



Next steps – 2018-2019

- **Workshop on data collection for evidence-based policies in housing and urban development, 13 December 2018, Brussels.** UNECE, UN-Habitat and Committee of the Regions of the European Union
- **Regional Observatory on urban SDGs launch with University of Geneva, Davos, 22-25 January**
- **Expocongress "Business for Smart Cities" and UNDA workshop on evidence based policies, Kiev, Ukraine, 29-31 January 2019**
- **Kazakhstan workshop on "Strengthening national potential for SDGs implementation" organised by UNECE Statistics, Green Economy Centre, OECD, UNDP; Astana, 29-31 January 2019**
- **Forum on Smart Cities: Improvement of housing stock and enhancement of public real estate assets, 14-15 February 2019, Milano.** Main organisers: UNECE REM, Agenzia del Demanio under patronage of the Ministry of Economy and Finance of Italy
- **UNECE Working Party on Land Administration 11th session, 27-28 February, Geneva**
- **UNDA 10th tranche national workshop on data for evidence based policies, Tbilisi, 14-15 March 2019 – tbc.** Subregional event, 16 March 2019
- **Day of Cities, Geneva, 8 April 2019**
- **The 2019 Commission Session of UNECE, 9-10 April 2019, Geneva**
- **Regional Forum on Sustainable Development, Geneva, 21-22 March 2019**



Next steps - 2019

- Glasgow conference on social housing, Glasgow, April 2019 tbc
- UNDA project workshop on evidence based policies, Tirana, May 2019
- United for smart sustainable cities annual meeting, Bizerte, Tunisia, 6-10 May
- Country Profile Belarus launch event and a workshop, Minsk, 20-24 May
- National workshop on evidence-based policies, Bishkek, 4-6 June
- Housing Europe Festival in Lyon, 14-19 June 2019
- HLPF 2019: 'Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness' July 2019
- CHLM session Geneva, 1-3 October 2019
- UNDA project final workshop, 4 October 2019



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