



New Urban Agenda What can Local Governments do?

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SDGs and NUAs Linkage

Background for governance and management structures that emphasize inclusive, participatory decision-making as a basis for resilient, inclusive, safe and sustainable cities and human settlements

Strengthening governance from the bottom up and developing a new, collaborative relationship among governments at all levels, civil society, the private sector and citizens will be instrumental in ensuring effective and responsive urban development and capable and accountable institutions in all human settlements



Action 1: (MANAGE RELATIONSHIPS) Build a stronger and accountable local and regional government to drive inclusive and sustainable development

Relationship between each layer of governance (local, regional, national)

The role of intermediary cities



Action 2: (OWNERSHIP) Strengthen strategic planning: ensuring a strong vision for city and urban settlement development

Flexible integrated planning and policies that boost greater participation and ownership by local communities

Local governments must be empowered and have the necessary resources and data to play a stronger role through social policies, housing rights, secure tenure, and development and land use planning



Action 3: (INCLUSION)

Renew the social contract, putting the Right to the City at the heart of urban agenda

Local governments are in a unique position to promote autonomous citizen participation in the management of local affairs, particularly the inclusion and empowerment of women in local public life. They can also facilitate the participation of young people, minorities, immigrants, migrants and other marginalized groups.



By supporting democratic debate and multi-stakeholder dialogue, local and regional governments can define and implement policies and strategies to tackle different forms of exclusion and reduce inequalities

Action 4: (EXPLORE)

Unlock the potential of territories to promote sustainable local economic and environmental policies to protect our planet

Local and regional governments can mobilize local actors and seize the opportunities in cities and regions to boost economic development and environmental sustainability



Action 5: (CREATIVE)

Rethinking local financial system in order to make cities sustainable

Local governments must have access to adequate funding to deliver their mandates.

Sub-national fiscal policies (local revenues and transfers, coupled with equalization mechanisms) should guarantee local and regional governments the means to assume their responsibilities and to deliver to citizens.



Local governments should be strengthened with adequate fiscal powers to mobilize part of the wealth created within their territory, through diversified taxation and land added-value capture mechanisms.

Action 6: (RESILIENT)

Build local and regional governments capacities in risks and crisis management process

Local governments can contribute to the crisis management with appropriate actions to create a continuum between emergency relief and reconstruction planning toward sustainable development.

With adequate support from international community, they can facilitate the reconciliation process in countries facing regular conflicts, facilitate access to basic services, help to assess and plan to reduce risks and vulnerability, fostering the development of resilient territories.



Action 7: (PARTNERSHIP)

Building the spirit of solidarity

Through this cooperation, the links between local and regional governments are strengthened and citizens gain shared values and understanding of the importance of peace, human dignity and respect for one another.

Local and regional governments should share expertise on how to address global challenges (climate change, peace-building, development cooperation) and to manage the impact of global phenomena at the local level (the integration of migrants, the mediation of globalizing economic and the promotion of cultural cooperation).



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