

**Draft resolution on the work programme and budget of the
United Nations Human Settlements Programme for the
biennium 2014–2015**

The Governing Council,

Recalling the commitments made by Governments in the United Nations Millennium Declaration to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and to achieving *inter alia* a significant improvement in the lives of at least 100 million slum-dwellers by 2020¹ and in the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development² to reducing by half the proportion of people without access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation by 2015,

Taking note of the progress made to date in the implementation of the medium-term strategic and institutional plan, as reported through the six-monthly and annual progress reports as well as the findings from independent reviews and evaluations of the implementation of the medium-term strategic and institutional plan 2008-2013,

Welcoming the progress made in the implementation of the institutional review to realign the organization with strategic priorities, establish policies and systems to improve efficiency and productivity, and improve measures to enhance accountability and transparency,

Recalling its resolution 23/11 of 13 April 2011 requesting the Executive Director, in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, to prepare a strategic plan for 2014-2019 for submission to the Governing Council for its review and approval at its twenty fourth session,

Further recalling the request to the Executive Director, working in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, to ensure that the results-based strategic framework and work programme and budget documents for the biennium 2014-2015 are aligned with the strategic plan for 2014-2019,

Having considered the draft strategic framework 2014-2019 and the proposed work programme and budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for the biennium 2014–2015 and the recommendations set forth in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,

1. *Approves* the United Nations Human Settlements Programme six-year strategic plan 2014-2019, contained in document HSP/GC/24...., prepared jointly by the Open-ended Contact Group of the Committee of Permanent Representatives and the UN-Habitat Secretariat and endorsed by the Committee of Permanent Representatives in August 2012;
2. *Also approves* the proposed work programme and budget for 2014–2015 that is aligned to the strategic plan for 2014-2019;
3. *Further approves* the general-purpose budget of 45,617,400 United States dollars and endorses the special-purpose budget of 123,187,800 United States dollars for the biennium 2014–2015 detailed in the proposed work programme and budget for 2014–2015;
4. *Authorises* a decrease in the general-purpose statutory reserve from 7,022,150 United States dollars to 4,561,740 United States dollars.

¹ General Assembly resolution 55/2 of 8 September 2000.

² 2 Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa,

5. *Requests* the Executive Director to consult with the Committee of Permanent Representatives during the preparation of results-based strategic framework and work programme and budget documents for the biennium 2016–2017, and to ensure that the two documents are aligned with the strategic plan for 2014–2019;

6. *Calls upon* the Executive Director to report annually to Governments through the Committee of Permanent Representatives and to the Governing Council at its twenty-fifth session on progress made in implementation of the strategic plan and work programme activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme;

7. *Also calls on* the Executive Director, working closely with the Advisory Group on Gender Issues advise the Executive Director on gender equality and women empowerment issues, and to, to continue mainstreaming and implementation of gender and women’s empowerment in UN-Habitat’s programmes, projects and activities;

8. *Urges* the Executive Director to continue mainstreaming in UN-Habitat’s programmes, projects and activities, the other cross-cutting issues of youth; climate change; and human rights, within the context of advancing the goals and mandate of UN-Habitat, as set-out in the Istanbul Declaration and the Habitat Agenda;

9. *Further calls upon* the Executive Director to reprioritize systematically, whenever necessary, the activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme for 2014–2015 in a realistic and pragmatic manner in the face of possible substantial changes in funding scenarios and to adjust the level of allocations for programme activities to bring them into line with the actual level of income to ensure effective implementation of the strategic plan;

10. *Encourages* the Executive Director to continue strengthening implementation of results-based management in all UN-Habitat’s programmes, projects, policies and activities;

11. *Authorizes* the Executive Director to reallocate general-purpose resources between subprogrammes in an amount of up to 10 per cent of the total general-purpose budget;

12. *Also authorizes* the Executive Director to reallocate, in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, in excess of 10 per cent and up to 25 per cent of the total general-purpose budget;

13. *Requests* the Executive Director to report all reallocations and adjustments to the Committee of Permanent Representatives in the quarterly financial reports;

14. *Reiterates* its call to all Member States for continued financial support to the United Nations Human Settlements Programme through increased voluntary contributions and invites more Governments and other stakeholders to provide predictable multi-year funding and increase non-earmarked contributions to support the implementation of the strategic plan 2014-2019;

15. *Requests* the Executive Director to report to the Governing Council at its twenty-fifth session on the implementation of the present resolution.