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Side Event 18

Progress in sustainable and resilient urban development of cities and metropolitan areas in Central America and the Dominican Republic

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SUMMARY

Conversation with Ministers of Housing of Central America to discuss the strategic alliances that have been made through the Central American Integration System with UN-Habitat and other cooperation agencies where important progress has been made in urban development in the 8 countries.

Central America is one of the regions of the world with the greatest vulnerability and exposure to natural phenomena such as earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, hurricanes, floods and landslides. The effects of climate change are causing an increase in hydrometeorological hazards such as heavy rains, hurricanes and droughts. At the same time, the negative consequences are aggravated by other challenges facing the countries of the region, such as the accelerated rate of urbanization, which also leads to the growth of precarious and informal settlements that are particularly vulnerable to natural phenomena such as landslides and floods.

In this sense, they are highly committed to the implementation of the New Urban Agenda (NAU), through the management of the Regional Implementation Plan of the New Urban Agenda for Central America and the Dominican Republic (PRINAU-SICA), an instrument that promotes sustainable urban development and the achievement of socio-spatial conditions that shape more resilient, just and environmentally sustainable societies, fostering a shift towards a new urban paradigm that considers the city as a public good, and inclusive urban and territorial planning as the means to ensure it.

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