



**UN-HABITAT**

# **2024 FIRST JOINT MEETING OF BUREAUX OF THE GOVERNING BODIES OF UN-HABITAT**

**AGENDA ITEM 11: CONTRIBUTIONS TO UPCOMING  
PRIORITIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN 2024 AND 2025**

**11(a). UN Summit of the Future , 2024**

**11(b). World Social Summit, 2025**

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# a. Summit of the Future

## The urban dimension

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**“As we consider ways to make multilateral institutions more effective, and to meet the current and future challenges facing people and planet, we need the perspectives and engagement of local and regional authorities”**  
SG Antonio Guterres

# UN-Habitat's Input to the Pact for the Future

**Chapeau:** The Pact for the Future must recognize that the future of the world is urban. Implementing the New Urban Agenda is key for localizing the SDGs and other global agendas.

## **Sustainable development & financing**

1) Sustainable development for people, planet, and peace requires an urban perspective  
2) The future of finance for development is endogenous, urban finance

## **International peace and security**

1) Inclusive urban planning reduces conflict and fosters peace

## **Science, technology, and innovation and digital cooperation**

People-centered, smart cities ensure equitable access to technical innovation

## **Youth and future generations**

Rebuilding trust in public institutions through meaningful youth engagement

## **Transforming global governance**

New institutional mechanism that engages local and regional governments in intergovernmental processes

**Gender Equality, Human Rights, and Poverty** Cities contribute towards re-humanizing the development of human settlements by adopting people-centered approaches.

## b. World Social Summit, 2025



### Common Agenda

The Secretary General recommended the convening of the World Social Summit in 2025 to cover issues such as **universal social protection, including universal health coverage, adequate housing, education for all and decent work**, and give momentum towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals



The **right to adequate** housing is a key entry point for UN-Habitat. The open-ended intergovernmental expert working group, established by UNHA2 resolution HSP/HA.2/Res.7 on Adequate Housing for All, currently considers policy recommendations for accelerating progress towards the universal achievement of safe, sustainable, adequate and affordable housing.



UN-Habitat is **updating its normative guidelines and mobilizes a multi-stakeholder partnership to reinvigorate the attainment of adequate housing for all.**

An **ECOSOC special meeting** on the topic could help to build further momentum.