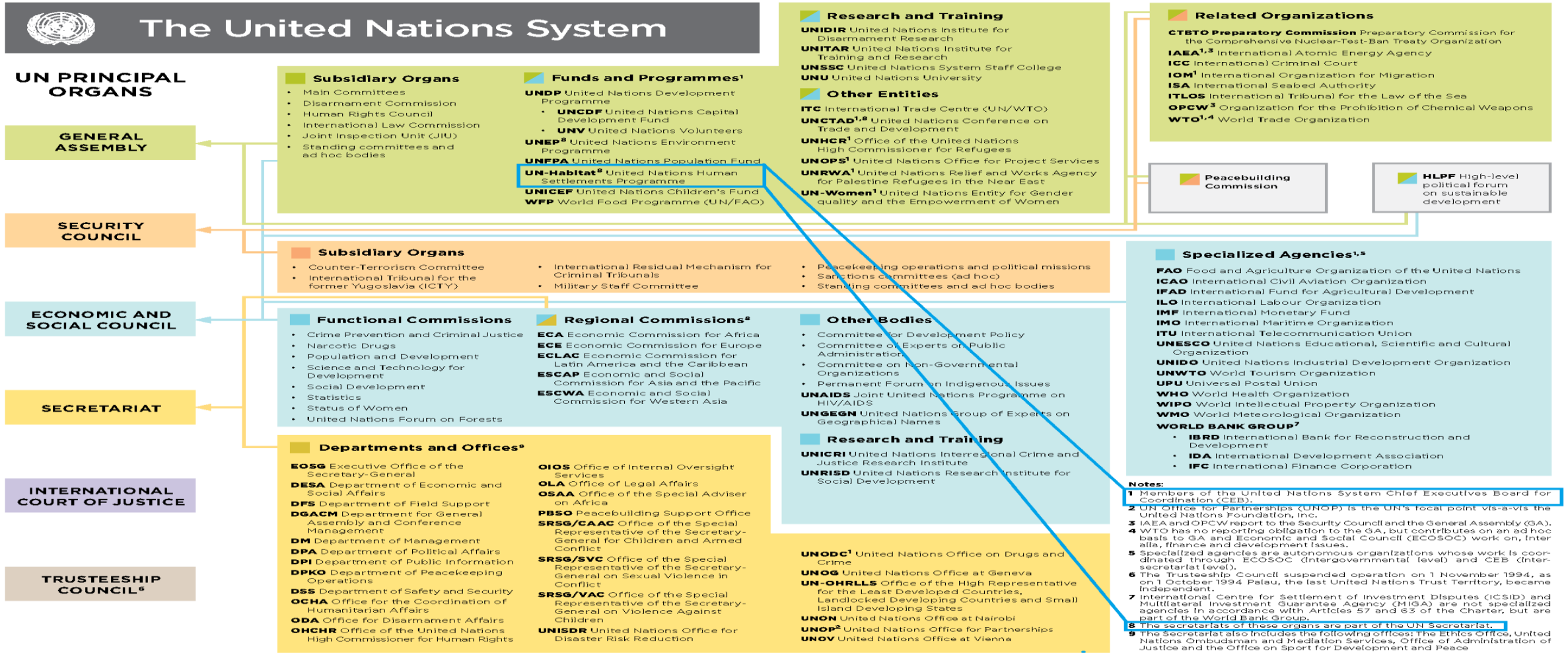


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Funds, Programmes, Specialized Agencies and Others

The UN system, also known unofficially as the 'UN family', is made up of the UN itself and many programmes, funds, and specialized agencies, all with their own leadership and budget. The programmes and funds are financed through voluntary rather than assessed contributions. The Specialized Agencies are independent international organizations funded by both voluntary and assessed contributions.

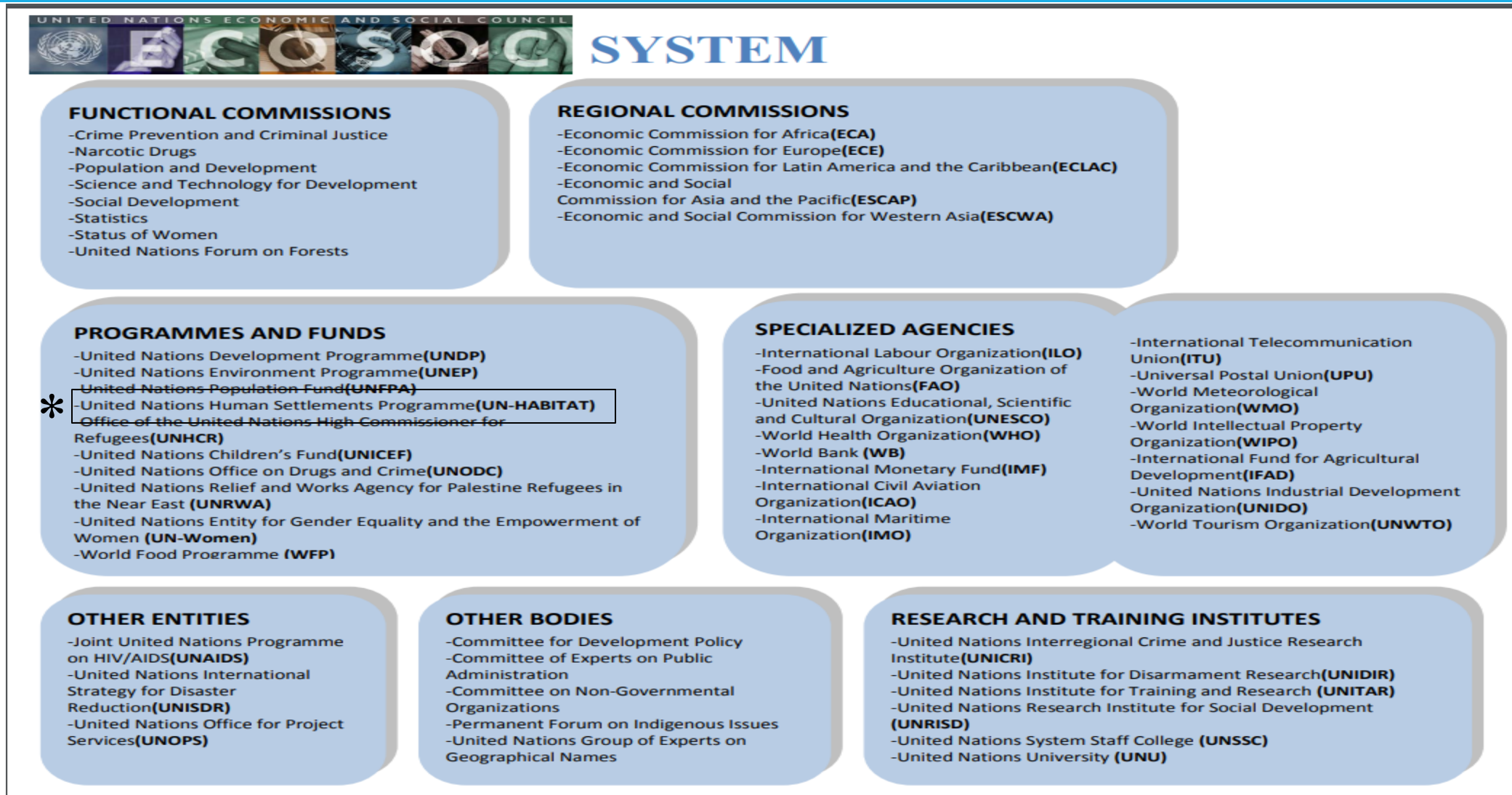
UN-Habitat

Headquarters: Nairobi, Kenya

The mission of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme is to promote socially and environmentally sustainable human settlements development and the achievement of adequate shelter for all.



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(UN-Habitat) promotes socially and environmentally sustainable towns and cities.

It is the focal point for all urbanization and human settlement matters within the UN system.

UN-Habitat envisions well-planned, well-governed, and efficient cities and other human settlements, with adequate housing, infrastructure, and universal access to employment and basic services such as water, energy, and sanitation.



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OUR VISION

The UN-Habitat's vision of “a better quality of life for all in an urbanizing world” is bold and ambitious. UN-Habitat works with partners to build inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable cities and communities. UN-Habitat promotes urbanization as a positive transformative force for people and communities, reducing inequality, discrimination and poverty.

OUR MISSION

UN-Habitat works in over 90 countries to promote transformative change in cities and human settlements through knowledge, policy advice, technical assistance and collaborative action.

UN-Habitat's new [strategic plan 2020-2023](#) adopts a more strategic and integrated approach to solving the challenges and opportunities of twenty-first century cities and other human settlements.



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Our mission embodies the four main roles of the organization, which can be summarized as: think, do, share and partner.

THINK:

UN-Habitat's normative work, including ground-breaking research and capacity-building, sets standards, proposes norms and principles, shares good practice, monitors global progress and supports formulation of policies related to sustainable cities and human settlements

DO:

UN-Habitat's operational work takes various forms of technical assistance, drawing on its unique expertise in sustainable urbanization and crisis response. UN-Habitat implements projects to provide value-added and tailored support to countries.

SHARE:

Through advocacy, communication and outreach, UN-Habitat mobilizes public, political and financial support and collaborative action to inspire qualitative change in national development plans, policy frameworks, development practice and investment choices for sustainable urban development at the local, national and global level.

PARTNER:

UN-Habitat collaborates with governments, intergovernmental, UN agencies, civil society organizations, foundations, academic institutions and the private sector to achieve enduring results in addressing the challenges of urbanization.



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Office of Programme Planning Finance and Budget

PPBD is headed by a Director who is accountable to the Assistant Secretary-General, Controller. The work of the Division is divided among three Substantive Services (Political and Humanitarian Affairs, Legal and International Tribunals (PHALIT), Development Pillar and Human Rights (DPHR), and Conferences, Security, Construction and Common Support Services (CSCCSS).

Office of Programme Planning Finance and Budget

OPPFB provides financial services to the operations of the United Nations Secretariat. In doing so, OPPFB provides strategic value-added services for programme planning and budgeting for the programme and peacekeeping budgets and voluntary contributions, accounting, treasury and financial information operations services.

Department of Management, Strategy, and Policy Coordination, Secretary-General

As part of the new management paradigm, DMSPC provides policy leadership in all management areas through a clear, integrated global management strategy and policy framework and through strengthened monitoring, evaluation and accountability mechanisms that oversee the exercise of delegated authorities in an environment of decentralized management.

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Business Transformation and Accountability Division

The United Nations Secretary-General has called for an ambitious reform of the Secretariat to transform it into a nimbler organization that is more responsive. Fundamental to this change is a culture of transparency and accountability. A new dedicated capacity in business transformation and accountability (BTAD) brings together various functions dedicated to monitoring and strengthening performance and accountability across the Organization.

Umoja – Enterprise Resource Planning

Umoja is a single, global solution that is enabling efficient and transparent management of the United Nation's financial, human and physical resources and improving programmatic delivery. As a catalyst for business transformation, Umoja is improving financial and administrative operations, and program delivery with a potential to improve the efficiency and the overall effectiveness of the Organization.

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What is the role of Offices Away from Headquarters (OAHs)?



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Serves as the representative offices of the Secretary-General with representation and liaison functions with permanent missions, regional organizations, governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations

- Facilitates and maintains the cooperation between the UN and specialized agencies and programmes based in Switzerland, Kenya, Austria and elsewhere
- Lessens the administrative burden on New York HQ and provides local and cost-efficient administrative and conference management support to the UN entities present in Geneva, Vienna and Nairobi

Main activities include:

- Human and financial resources management
- Information and communications technology
- Central support services
- Supporting UN funds and programmes, specialized agencies and other organizations of the UN common system in the duty station (on a reimbursable basis)
- Assisting the Director General in negotiations with host-country governmental authorities on administrative, financial, and other issues relating to the implementation of the headquarters agreement
- Safety and security

What is the role of the Regional Commissions?



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The Regional Commissions are the regional outposts of the United Nations in their respective regions. They are also an integral part of their regional institutional landscape. Stationed in five regions of the world, [United Nations Economic Commission for Europe \(UNECE\)](#), [United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific \(UNESCAP\)](#), [Economic Commission for Latin America \(ECLAC\)](#), [United Nations Economic Commission for Africa \(ECA\)](#) and [United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia \(UNESCWA\)](#)

They share key objectives aiming to foster economic integration at the subregional and regional levels, to promote the regional implementation of internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), and to support regional sustainable development by contributing to bridging economic, social and environmental gaps among their member countries and subregions. To achieve these objectives, the five Regional Commissions promote multilateral dialogue, knowledge sharing and networking at the regional level, and work together to promote intra- regional and inter-regional cooperation, both among themselves and through collaboration with other regional organisations.

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Founded with the purpose of contributing to the economic and social development of Asia and the Pacific, Western Asia, Africa, Europe, and Latin America and the Caribbean.

- Coordinates governmental and non-governmental actions directed towards this end, and seeks to reinforce economic ties among countries within their respective regions, and with other nations of the world.
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- The Economic Commission for Europe, for example, works closely with specialized agencies such as the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO), with other intergovernmental organizations, and with non-governmental organizations.
- The Economic Commission for the Caribbean and Latin America carries out its work in close cooperation with the UN Development Programme (UNDP), UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), International Maritime Organization (IMO), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

The Regional Commissions promote the economic and social development of the Member States of the region in question and foster intra-regional integration. The ECA also promotes international cooperation for Africa's development.

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It is crucial that the UN provides effective development coordination to support countries to achieve [the 2030 Agenda](#). The repositioning of the UN development system, including the reinvigoration of the Resident Coordinator (RC) System, will ensure integrated support and boost accountability for results and operational efficiency. As of 1 January 2019, around 130 RCs—with full gender parity—joined the Secretariat to guide a more effective UN family at the country level to deliver the SDGs.

Working Together Worldwide

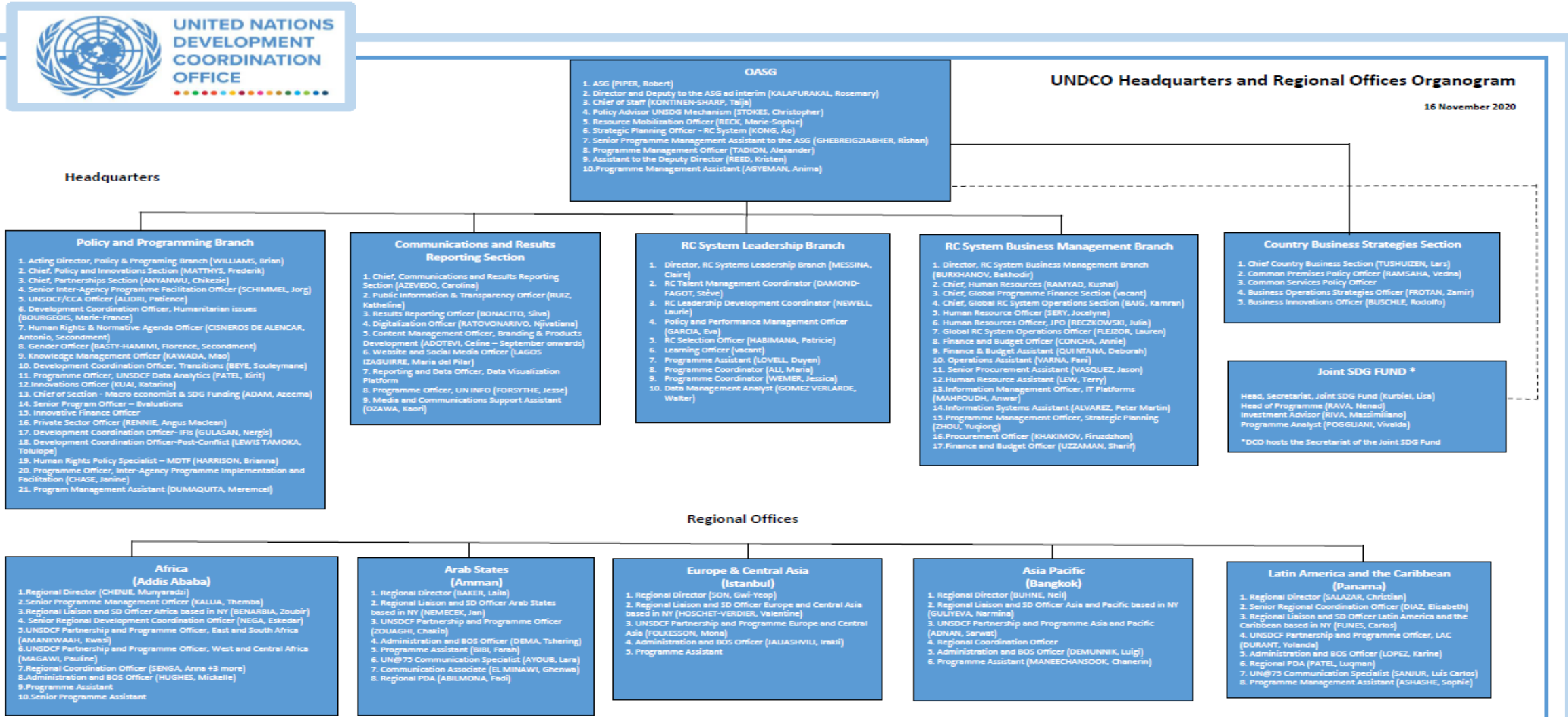
At the heart of this transformation of the United Nations development coordination function are resident coordinators, who are the designated representatives of the Secretary-General for development at the country level. The resident coordinators are the cornerstone of a coherent and well-coordinated United Nations development system capable of delivering integrated support across the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), a holistic agenda which calls for joint collaboration between agencies, funds and programmes for the achievement of national development priorities.

The United Nations Development Coordination Office (DCO) serves as the secretariat for the UN Sustainable Development Group (UNSDG)—34 agencies, funds and programmes working on development—at the regional and global levels.

At the regional level, five UN Development Coordination Office Regional Directors and their teams in Panama, Addis Ababa, Amman, Istanbul and Bangkok provide Resident Coordinators with regional-specific support, with a secretariat role for the UN Sustainable Development Group.



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