



Third retreat with Member States to discuss preparations for UN-Habitat's Strategic Plan 2026-2029

PROGRAMME

Background

During I session of 2024 of the Executive Board of UN-Habitat (6-8 May), Member States further requested UN-Habitat's acting Executive Director to continue the development the Strategic Plan for the period 2026-2029. The Strategic Plan 2026-2029 is being developed through a consultative process with Member States, UN entities, stakeholders and UN-Habitat staff.

The 3rd retreat follows up on the discussions that took place during the previous retreats with Member States held on 31st January and 30th May 2024, where the proposed structure, scope and impact areas of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029 were presented.

On this occasion, and considering the comments made by the Member States during the Programmatic, Budgetary and Administrative Matters of the Executive Board held on 3rd of July and those shared during the II Staff Retreat held on 19 August, which included the participation of the new Executive Director of UN-HABITAT, a revised substantive framework and the strategic focus of the plan will be presented for discussion. Based on the agreed sequential approach of the Strategic Plan, this retreat aims to discuss the way forward towards planned results and actions as well.

For this purpose, Member States are receiving in advance of the retreat a revised annotated outline of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029.

The next steps envision a 4th retreat with Member States to be held in January 2025 (*date to be confirmed*) to receive final guidance of the Member States to the draft of the Strategic plan.

The III Retreat

This retreat with Member States will take place on the 16th September 2024 from 9.30 a.m to 15.00 p.m.

Modality: The meeting will be held in person. Sessions will be recorded for report purposes only.

Venue: Shamba Events. Address: Along Loresho Ridge, before VetLab Sports Club and the Upper Kabete Campus of the University of Nairobi.

Participants: Representatives from all missions accredited to UN Habitat in Nairobi at the level considered by those missions.



Provisional Agenda

Note: Coffee and tea will be offered upon arrival of the participants at 9.00 am before the start of the discussions at 9.30 am. Drinks will be also offered at the end of the discussions.

The agenda will start with an introductory presentation of the Draft Annotated outline prepared for this retreat, followed by two main sessions on Substantive framework and strategic focus, and Planned results and actions of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029.

09.30 **Introduction**

- **Opening remarks** by Executive Director of UN-Habitat
Presentation of Key objectives and outcomes of the III Retreat
- **Brief introduction of the annotated outline** by Edlam Abera. Chair of the Strategic Plan Task Force. Director (a.i.) External Relations, Strategy, Knowledge and Innovation Division.
- **Q&A**

10.00 **Session I: Substantive framework and strategic focus of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029**

Presentation and discussion on the revised substantive framework and the proposed strategic focus of the plan.

Expected outcome: Member States express their reactions to the revised substantive framework and the proposed strategic focus and discuss how to achieve consensus.

11.30 **Coffee/tea Break**

12.00 **Session II: way forward towards planned results and actions of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029**

Discussion of the possible articulation of the planned results and actions of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029

Expected outcome: Member States discuss how to articulate planned results.

13.00 **Lunch break**

14:00 **Next steps**

Executive Director of UN-Habitat

- **Q&A and guidance of the Member States**

