



## HABITAT III POLICY UNITS

### TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR EXPERTS

As part of the preparatory process for Habitat III, several initiatives are being developed in order to serve as technical inputs for the preparation of the outcome document, including Policy Units. Each out of 10 policy units will be composed of 20 technical experts working in academia, government, civil society, regional and international bodies, but not limited to those only.

Policy Units are intended to identify challenges, policy priorities and critical issues as well as the development of action-oriented recommendations for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda. The issues discussed by each Policy Unit, and 10 Policy Papers prepared, will serve as technical inputs for Member States' consideration in the preparation of the outcome document of the Conference.

Selected experts will be working home based.

**DURATION:** Seven working months.

**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS:** June 10, 2015

**STARTING DATE:** July 20, 2015

**CLOSING DATE:** January 31, 2015 (involvement until the end of the Habitat III process might be requested at the later stage)

#### **DUTIES, AND RESPONSABILITIES:**

- Contribute with reviewing substantive documents prepared for the process of the Post-2015, and other relevant intergovernmental conferences;
- Support conducting the analysis of the available data, including available statistics, information available in Habitat III Issue Papers, outcomes from official Regional and Thematic meetings, etc.
- Support preparation of the structure and the preliminary contents and messages of the Policy Papers at the first and second expert group meeting (EGM1 and EGM2);
- Participate at the meeting organized online and other virtual exchanges;
- Advise on incorporating proposed changes into the draft Policy Papers, harmonize Policy Papers and submit it to the Habitat III Secretariat.

#### **BENEFITS AND EXPENSES**

The work of experts is on voluntarily basis. The Habitat III Trust Fund will cover travel expenses and associated daily allowances for the two planned expert group meetings.

Working language will be English.

