

### **United Smart Cities**







#### **IDENTITY CARD**

- What: project
- When: 2014-2020
- Why: survey «Challenges and Priorities in the ECE region»
- Who: UNECE with partners
- Objectives:
  - Raise awareness/educate
  - Promote knowledge and best practice transfer
  - Improve people's quality of life



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# **United Smart Cities: phases**





### Phase 1

- Methodology
- Pilot cities

### Phase 2

City
 assessment

#### Phase 3

 Implementation of the reccommendations

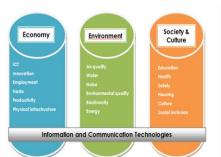
### Phase 4

- Monitoring
- Benchmarking

### Capacity building

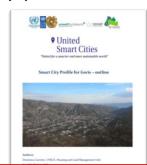


**Indicators** 





Smart sustainable city profiles



City action plan





Online platform



Stakeholders' training, workshops, meetings and events

# The UNECE/ITU Smart Sustainable Cities Indicators



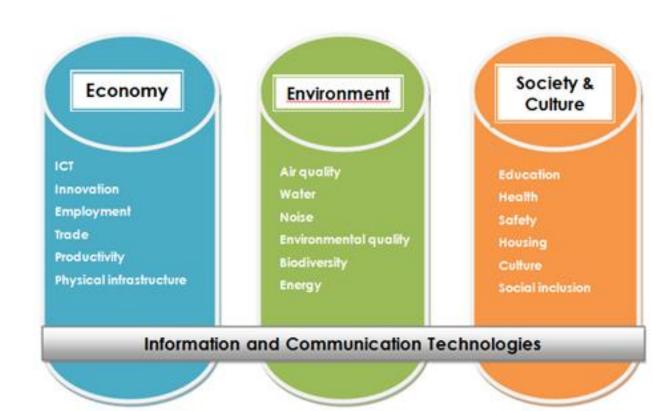


Developed by a consortium of partners – leading partners UNECE, ITU, Environment Agency Austria

Endorsed by the Committee on Housing and Land Management on 15 December 2015 (ECE/HBP/2015/4)

### **Approach**

3 main areas 18 topics 72 indicators (core & additional)



# UNECE-ITU Smart Sustainable City Indicators: Milestones for the adoption



- 2013: survey "Challenges and priorities for the UNECE region"
- 2013: 74<sup>th</sup> session of the Committee on Housing and Land Management (CHLM) smart cities as one of the main priorities for member States
- 2014: Analysis of the sources and development of the draft list of indicators
- 2014: 75<sup>th</sup> session of the CHLM smart cities enters the program of work of UNECE with the project "United Smart Cities" and indicators become a priority
- 2015: Draft indicators tested in the pilot city of Goris, Armenia for feasibility
- 2015, 11 May: Expert Consultation, Geneva, Switzerland indicators discussed among experts
- 2015, 4 and 5 June: Workshop and Committee Bureau meeting, Rakvere, Estonia starting point of the inter-governmental dialog
- 2015, 30 June: Cities workshop, Vienna, Austria input from cities
- 2015, June: negotiations with ITU to merge ITU and UNECE indicators
- 2015, July: draft sent to the member States for comments
- 2015, 14-15 December: 76<sup>th</sup> session of the CHLM indicators endorsed

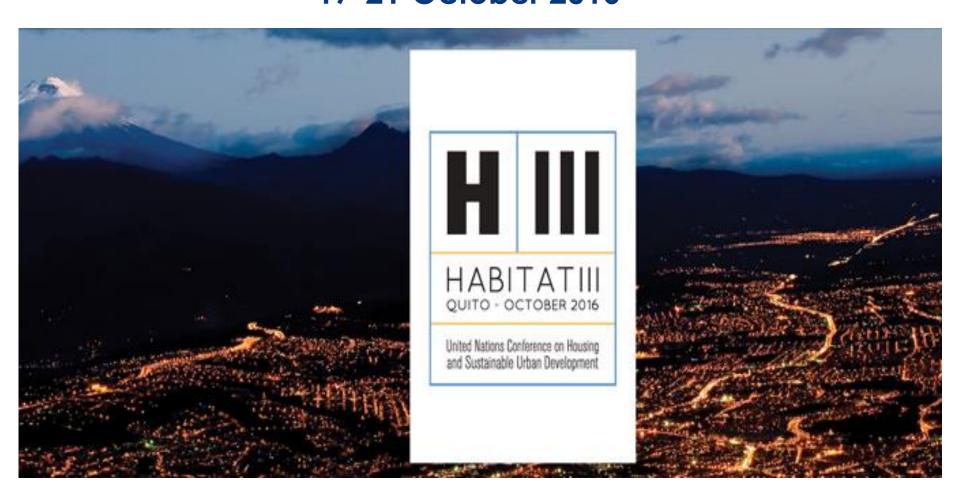


- Long process dialogue and negotiations (experts, countries, cities, organizations, etc)
- One-UN approach

# HABITAT III



Global Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban
Development
Quito, Ecuador
17-21 October 2016



## Habitat III: UNECE contribution



- Report for the ECE region: "Towards a city-focused, peoplecentred and integrated approach to the new urban agenda"
  - Three expert consultations with more than 40 experts
    - 29 May 2015 in Milan, Italy;
    - 8 July 2015 in Geneva, Switzerland;
    - 21 September 2015 in Brussels, Belgium

### 2. Geneva UN Charter on Sustainable Housing

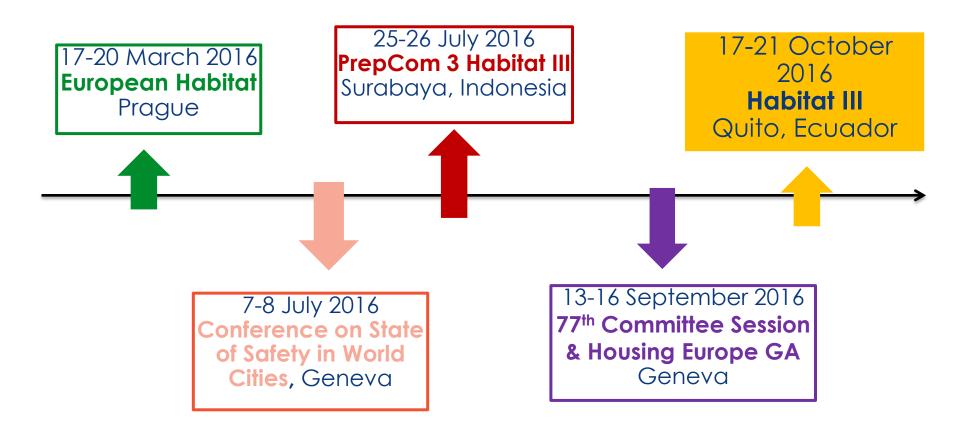
- Negotiated by 56 ECE member States (2010 2015)
- Approved by UNECE Committee on Housing and Land Management on 15 October 2014
- Endorsed by ECE on 16 April 2015 and forwarded to HABITAT III
- 3. Conference "Reviewing the State of Safety in World Cities: Urban Solutions for Conflict and Insecurity" (7-8 July 2016, Geneva, Switzerland)

### 4. Dissemination of HIII info at the national level

- workshops in several countries (Armenia, Republic of Moldova, etc.)
- participation in the national urban dialogue (Serbia, Czech Republic, etc.)



# Habitat III: Key events in 2016





# Thank you for your attention

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