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100 MILLION PEOPLE

in the UNECE region

spend more than

40 %

of their disposable income on

HOUSING
NATIONAL SOCIAL HOUSING WAITING LIST

- **England**: 1,800,000
- **France**: 1,700,000
- **United States of America**: 5,300,000
“Our struggle for global sustainability will be won or lost in cities”

(Ban Ki-moon)
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Main purpose
Ensure the access to decent, affordable and healthy housing in the ECE region
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Scope
Improve sustainability of housing in the ECE region through effective policies and actions
supported by international cooperation
FOUR PRINCIPLES
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
Minimization of environmental impact and promotion of environmental sustainability
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ECONOMIC EFFECTIVENESS
Public and private investments and national policies and programmes
FOUR PRINCIPLES

SOCIAL INCLUSION AND PARTICIPATION
Civil involvement, social inclusiveness, public health and transparency
FOUR PRINCIPLES

CULTURAL ADEQUACY

Cultural identity, value and emotional wellbeing of people
The document negotiated by 56 UNECE member States.