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Pan-European economic integration and cooperation

Policy advice, set-out norms and standards, exchange of experience
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**Geneva Charter on Sustainable Housing (negotiations)**
**UNECE Strategy on Sustainable Housing and Land Land Management 2014 – 2020 (implementation)**
Project «Smart urban solutions for transition and developing countries»

Promote exchange of BEST PRACTICES on sustainable urban development

- Extend the concept of smart cities to LOW- and MEDIUM INCOME economies
- Improve the inhabitants’ QUALITY OF LIFE and make the most efficient use of RESOURCES
- Demonstrate the ADAPTABILITY of “smart cities” to the conditions of transition countries
- Promote technological, innovative and cost-effective SOLUTIONS
- Help national and local authorities to develop POLICIES on sustainable urban development
- Establish partnerships and COOPERATION between stakeholders
- Improve the inhabitants’ QUALITY OF LIFE and make the most efficient use of RESOURCES
Country profile on housing sector - Armenia

- First Country Profile 2002 – 2004
- Request from Armenia for the second profile in 2013
- Fact finding mission 2014
- Research mission 2015
- Action Plan 2015-2016
Future directions of work

• Geneva Charter on Sustainable Housing
• Smart cities – connecting with local authorities, private businesses, promoting innovation
• SDGs and the post 2015 agenda on cities and human settlements
• The United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)
• FAO voluntary guidelines on the responsible governance of tenure of land, fisheries and forests in the context of national food security
Interagency cooperation

- UNISDR: capacity building, policy guidance
- UN-Habitat: UNDA
- IFRC
- Habitat for Humanity
- UNEP
- ILO
- WHO
- World Bank on land and urban planning
- European Housing Association
- UIT
- FAO on land
- FIG