

Secretariat activities on COVID-19  
response under the ECE nexus “Smart  
Sustainable Cities for all Ages”



# UNDA 12<sup>th</sup> tranche project

## Smart Sustainable Cities

### for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the New Urban Agenda



**Pilot cities/countries:** Grodno, Belarus; Tbilisi, Georgia; Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan; Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan; and Podgorica, Montenegro

#### Activities:

- Preparing Sustainable Smart City Profile based on the Key Performance Indicators
- Facilitating development of city action plan, directed at developing the city as Sustainable and “Smart”, including policy improvement activities, based on the recommendations from the City Profile
- Development of a list of the city development projects for financing (Project Book)
- Supporting preparation of two priority project concepts from list for pitching to investors
- Supporting organization of a national seminar to identify interested investors for further development of (innovative) financing options to implement projects



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### **Adaptation to support post COVID-19 recovery and building back better:**

- Developing an additional proposal for investments in each city to support overcoming economic slowdown due to pandemic
- A series of online trainings to build capacities of local authorities to overcome the negative social and economic consequences of the pandemic
- Podcasts highlighting best practices and experiences of fighting post COVID-19 consequences
- Organize regional training workshop for all beneficiary countries to support exchange of ideas and good practices

### **More information:**

<http://www.unece.org/housing-and-land-management/projects/unda-12th-tranche.html>



# UNDA 13th tranche project

## Building Urban Economic Resilience during and after COVID-19



### Overall objective

- Strengthening the capacities of local governments globally to design, implement and monitor sustainable, resilient and inclusive COVID-19 economic and financial responses, recovery and rebuilding plans.

### Project Activities

- Development of urban economic recovery and resilience diagnosis and planning tool
- Mapping the situation in pilot cities
- Regional policy brief with experiences, lessons learned
- Support in drafting economic recovery and resilience strategies
- Conducting local stakeholder and scenario planning workshops
- Advice on sources of financial support to cities for projects to overcome COVID-19 consequences

**Project timeframe:** July 2020-December 2021

**More information:** <http://www.unece.org/housing-and-land-management/projects/unda-13th-tranche-project-on-building-economic-resilience-after-covid-19.html>





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## Building Urban Economic Resilience during and after COVID-19

### Executing Agencies:

- UNECE
- UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)

### Implementing partners:

- UN Economic and Social Commission for West Asia (ESCWA)
- UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
- UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)

### Technical collaboration partners:

- UN-Habitat
- UN Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)



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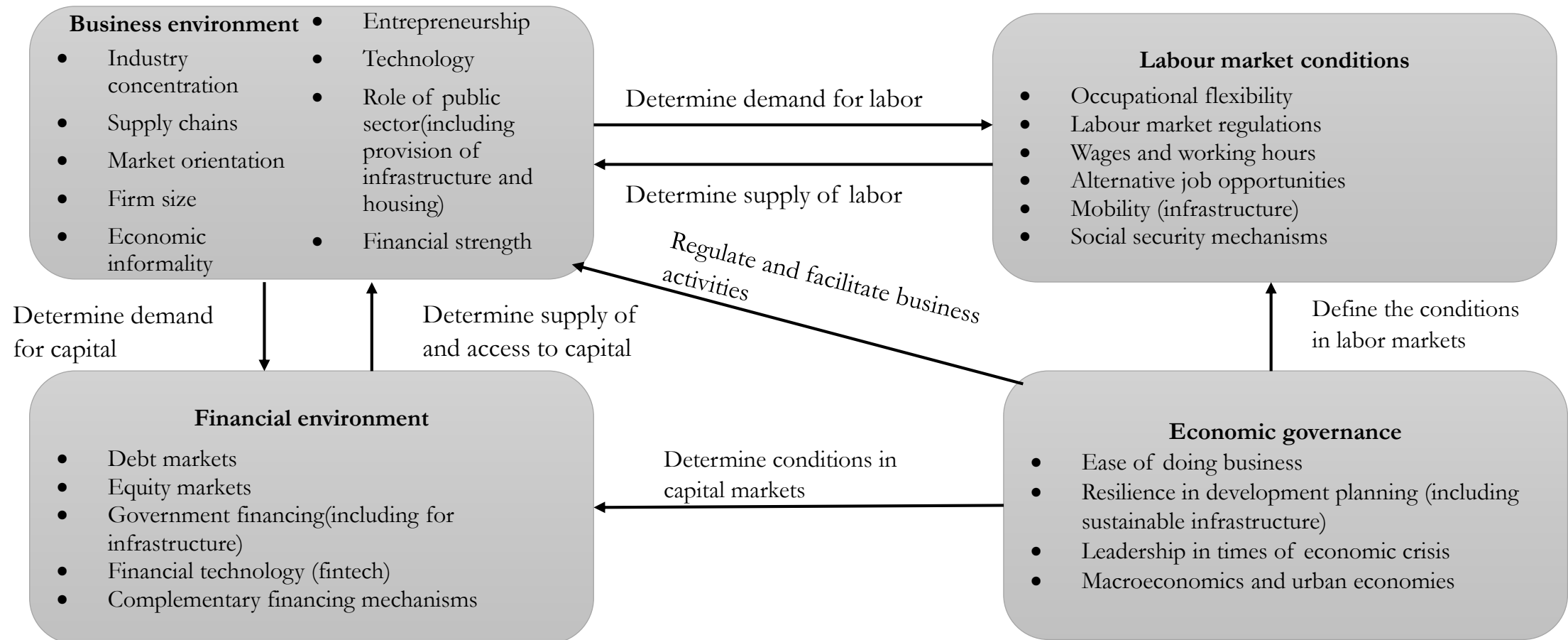


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### Structural model of urban economic resilience



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### Pilot Cities

**Albania (Tirana)**, Cameroon (Yaoundé), Ecuador (Guayaquil), Egypt (Alexandria), Fiji (Suva), Ghana (Accra), India (Pune), Kuwait (Kuwait), **Kyrgyzstan (Bishkek)**, Lebanon (Beirut), Malaysia (Subang Jaya), Perú (Lima), República Dominicana (Santo Domingo), **Ukraine (Kharkiv)**, Viet Nam (Hoi An), Zimbabwe (Harare)



# Post COVID-19 Recovery in Informal Settlements in the ECE Region



## Overall objective

- To strengthen the capacity of the national and local governments in the UNECE countries to address the needs of the most vulnerable groups of population living in the informal settlements.

## Rationale

- **Integrate** informal constructions **into formal land markets** to provide **clear ownership** and **security of tenure** and through this enhance **economic security of residents**.
- **Upgrade and connect** informal and newly formalized settlements **with basic services and infrastructure** to safeguard residents against future pandemics.



# Post COVID-19 Recovery in Informal Settlements in the ECE Region



## Project Activities

- Post COVID-19 Recovery Action Plan for Informal Settlements for countries in the ECE region
- Concrete recommendations for the pilot cities – Bishkek, Podgorica, Skopje and Tirana for upgrading the informal settlements and supporting the cities in the recovery from COVID-19 pandemic
- Building capacity through a series of online lectures and workshops on Recovery Action Plan

**Project timeframe:** September - December 2020

**More information:** <http://www.unece.org/housing-and-land-management/projects/post-covid-19-recovery-in-informal-settlements-in-the-ece-region.html>

**Thank you!**

