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What we are:

- The first-ever EU Facility specialized on **sustainable urban development**
- Started **end of 2022** for a first **period of 4 years**, ensuring support to EU delegations in the **dialogue, identification, formulation and delivery of sustainable urban development.**
- Managing and **co-creating relevant knowledge** for delegations, directorates, partner countries and member states to ensure the implementation of urban agendas.



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Mission Objective

To improve the quality and impact of European Commission's external actions in support of urban development at local, regional and global level.

Activity Areas:

1

Supporting Delegations

in delivering sustainable urban development

2

Supporting with Knowledge

creation and sharing

3

Coordinating and Aligning

EU "Urban Platform" in preparation





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Why a facility for Urban Development?

1

Urban growth and expansion:

Global urbanization mainly happening in Asia: 2030=55%; 2050= 64%
New configurations like megacities, urban corridors and city-regions.

2

Governance and institutions:

Local governments growing in importance and relevance for visioning, planning and implementation:
New kinds of administrative / political models emerge in urban areas.

3

Socio-economic dynamics lead development:

Innovation and transformations already happening, accelerated by and interlinked with urbanization of life



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Thematic entry points

The **urban perspective** approaches structural and sectoral development by defining development through a holistic lens on socio-dynamics spaces, focusing on creating inclusive cities.

3 entry points of the “urban perspective”



Inclusive Human Settlements



Spatial Sustainability



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David Vives

Key Experts

Implemented by 3 Key Experts, with the support of a pool of Non-Key Experts, between **Nov 2022 – Nov 2026**



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Here is a [Quiz](#) – please scan the QR code!



The quiz results explained

2010	Total Pop. Asia: 4,209,593,693	Growth rate: 1.14 %	Urban percent: 44.6 %	Urban total: 1,877,015,239	World total: 64.3 %
2020	4,641,054,775	0.92 %	46.3 %	2,147,483,647	62.9 %
2030	4,900,000,000	0.7 %	54 %	2,650,000,000	58 %

And the other figures...

- 766 Mio will be the total urban population in Africa in 2030
- 1.1 Bio was the urban population growth in Asia from 1990 to 2010
- <https://www.worldometers.info/world-population/asia-population/>
- <https://www.prb.org/resources/urbanization-takes-on-new-dimensions-in-asias-population-giants/>

Education

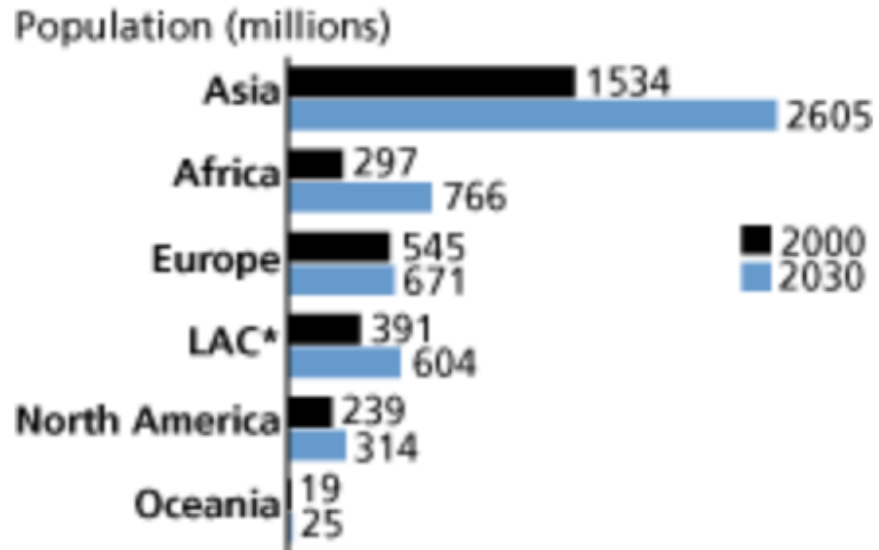
Governance and institutions

Adequate infrastructure

Enhancing resilience

Reducing inequalities

Urban Population by Region: 2000 and 2030



*LAC = Latin America and the Caribbean.

Source: UN, *World Urbanization Prospects: The 1999 Revision*, 2000.

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UDTF's Services

- Technical Assistance to EUDs for programming, design and implementation of urban development interventions (Action Documents)
- Specific studies in themes concerning urban development
- Communication and knowledge sharing for providing strategic guidance for integrating an urban perspective
- Information exchange with EUMS and key stakeholders

Fields of **Sustainable Urban Development**, such as

Sustainable and green urban development

Housing and settlement development

Urban economic development

Local revenues and municipal finance

Solid waste management

Urban mobility

Urban infrastructures and basic services

Disaster Risk Reduction

Climate adaptation and mitigation

Nature-based Solutions



Inclusive Human Settlements

In response to SDG 11 –
“Make human settlements inclusive,
resilient, safe and sustainable”

What can the UDTF offer?

- Advising, providing concepts and knowledge to programme and project design
- Identification of approaches for urban programmes that provide holistic responses to support human-settlement policies

Examples

- Preparing a knowledge product for informal settlement upgrading,
- Supporting policy dialogue on secondary cities in Africa
- Advisory for linking interventions, e.g., the provision of basic services such as waste collection with other systems and approaches, such as recycling and nature-based solutions.

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Spatial Sustainability

People, planet, prosperity =
Place

What can the UDTF offer?

- Working on the connections of spaces and flows:
- Assessing interlinkages and underlying conditions for project design through a holistic lens: resilience and vulnerabilities, human activities interacting in space.

Example

- Working on a spatial sustainability approach for Northern Ghana, together with the Joint Research Centre of the EU



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Urban Finance

Advice on municipal finance, tailored to the specific context, optimizing sustainable finance, revenue and expenditure management

What can the UDTF offer?

- Analyzing financial management (FM): revenue sources, expenditure patterns, debt levels, and financial performance;
- Strategies for revenue generation, expenditure & dept management;
- Strengthen FM capacities – such as training in budgeting, procurement, financial reporting, and financial analysis.

Examples

- Assessing diverse business models for solid waste collection
- Basic services and PPPs
- Municipal finance assessment



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Thank you!

Please share your questions

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