



Second Retreat with Member States to discuss preparations for UN-Habitat's Strategic Plan 2026-2029

PROGRAMME

Background

During I session of 2024 of the Executive Board of UN-Habitat (6-8 May), Member States further requested UN-Habitat's acting Executive Director to continue the development the Strategic Plan for the period 2026-2029. The Strategic Plan 2026-2029 is being developed through a consultative process with Member States, UN entities, stakeholders and UN-Habitat staff.

This II retreat follows up on the discussions that took place during the I retreat with Member States held on 31st January 2024 in Nairobi, where UN-Habitat proposed adopting a structured and sequential approach to the new Strategic Plan development process and sought guidance from the Member States on the key principles of the Strategic Plan, the proposed structure, and the process of engaging the Member States and other actors.

Based on the agreed sequential approach, this II Retreat aims to deep dive into the scope and articulation of proposed priorities of the Strategic Plan and UN-Habitat's role in addressing them, as well as of proposed goals. For this purpose, Member States are receiving a background paper on the Strategic Plan 2026-2029 shared in advance of this retreat.

The next steps envisioned a third retreat with Member States to be held in September 2024 (*date to be confirmed*) where to share views and deliberate on the proposed actions of UN-Habitat to achieve the agreed goals.

The Second Retreat

This retreat with Member States will take place on the 30th May 2024 from 9.00 a.m to 16.00 p.m.

Modality: The meeting will be held in person. Sessions will be recorded for report purposes only.

Venue: Shamba Events. Address: Along Loresho Ridge, before VetLab Sports Club and the Upper Kabete Campus of the University of Nairobi.

Registration: Representatives from all missions accredited to UN Habitat in Nairobi at the level considered by those missions. Please indicate the number of participants from your Delegation [here](#).



Provisional Agenda

Note: Coffee and tea will be offered upon arrival of the participants at 9.00 am before the start of the discussions at 9.30 am. Drinks will be also offered at the end of the discussions.

The agenda will start with an introductory presentation of the background document prepared for this retreat, followed by two main sessions on Priorities and Goals of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029.

09.30 **Introduction**

- **Opening remarks** by (oic) Executive Director of UN-Habitat
Presentation of Key objectives and outcomes of the II Retreat
- **Brief introduction of the Background Document** by Edlam Abera. Chair of the Strategic Plan Task Force. Director (a.i.) External Relations, Strategy, Knowledge and Innovation Division.
- **Q&A**

09.45 **Session I: Priorities of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029**

Presentation of the proposed scope and articulation of priorities followed by a plenary round of interventions by Member States.

Expected outcome: Member States express their reactions to the proposed priorities and discuss how to achieve consensus.

11.00 **Coffee/tea Break**

11.30 *(Continued)* Concluding on Priorities of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029

Expected outcome: Take stock of existing consensus and alternative proposals for each priority.

12.00 **Lunch break**

13:30 **Session II: Goals of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029**

Presentation of the proposed Goals followed by a plenary round of interventions by Member States.

Expected outcome: Member States express their reactions to the proposed goals and discuss how to achieve consensus.

15.00 **Coffee/tea Break**

15.30 *(Continued)* Concluding on Goals of the Strategic Plan 2026-2029

Expected outcome: Take stock of existing consensus and alternative proposals for each goal.

16.00 **Conclusions and next steps**

