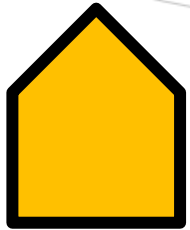




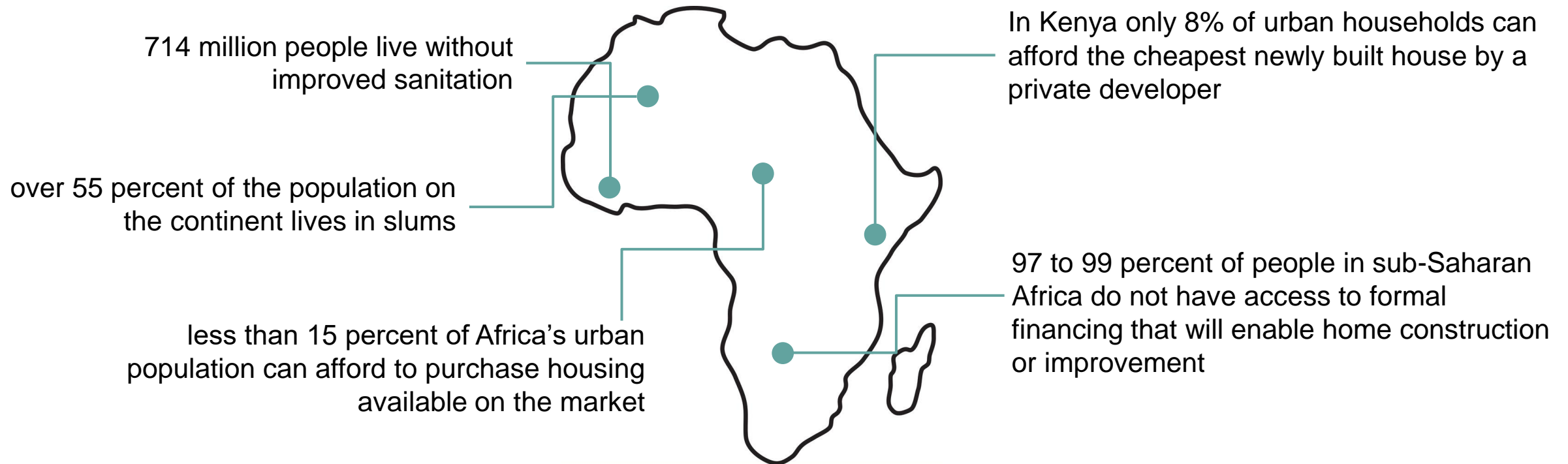
HOUSING COMPACT FOR AFRICA

ACCELERATING HOUSING DELIVERY



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Africa's 1.1 billion citizens will likely double in number by 2050, and more than 80% of that increase will occur in cities, especially slums



While COVID-19 has exacerbated the longstanding global housing crisis. Housing can be a cornerstone of the economic recovery strategies in a post COVID-19 world.

The Housing Compact for Africa aims to

1. support the realisation of the Sustainable Development Goals through investment into the delivery of affordable housing
2. provide a regional platform for governments, the private sector, civil society and intergovernmental and international organizations to work collaboratively to make progresses towards well-performing housing sectors in Africa
3. define a common approach across stakeholders of the housing sector for the effective delivery of adequate and affordable housing at scale throughout the African region
4. foster a cooperative approach to create sustainable housing ecosystems and address the deprivations of those living in inadequate housing conditions



Conveying: an overarching framework for both regional and international stakeholders engaged in the housing industry to reflect on challenges and opportunities for achieving the housing delivery.

Connecting: matching housing demand and supply in Africa; linking private sector and public sector to boost investments; and to bring on board unusual suspects in the housing industry, such as the African diaspora.

Catalyzing: scaling up best practices on housing delivery; amplify innovative financing model and practices through a shared platform

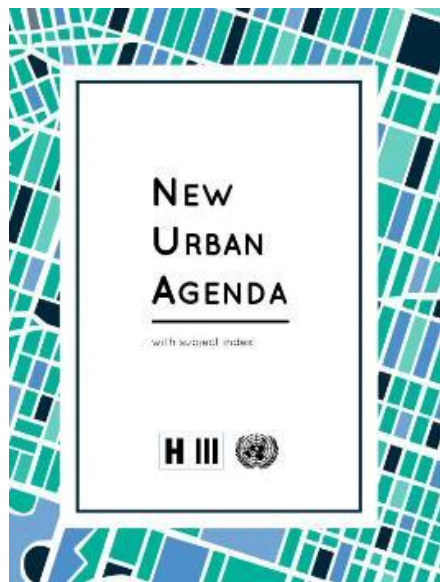
Overall, the Housing Compact aims to achieve:

1. Improved access to adequate, safe and affordable housing for all, contributing towards the realization of SDG 11.
2. Strengthened capacity of national and local governments to create enabling environments for the provision of adequate, safe, accessible, and affordable housing by placing housing at the centre of social and economic policies.
3. Strengthened partnerships and cooperation among relevant stakeholders in the housing sector to coordinate efforts in delivering adequate and affordable housing in African countries, promoting and engage in productive public-private-non-profit partnerships that enable the full housing delivery value chain





Agenda 2063



TARGET 11.1
BY 2030, ENSURE ACCESS FOR ALL TO ADEQUATE, SAFE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND BASIC SERVICES AND UPGRADE SLUMS.



1. Creating a strong and long-lasting political momentum in the African region

Including:

- cross-sectoral cooperation and exchange among relevant stakeholders
- increasing the priority of housing within wider development agendas and funding streams

2. Unlocking housing finance solutions that address both the housing demand and the supply

Including:

- new, blended financing models explicitly focused on the particular nature of affordable housing
- resilient and affordable housing finance markets
- access to housing for lower and informal income household

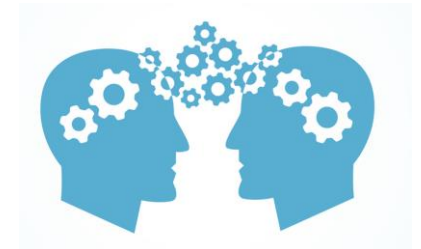
3. Boosting affordable housing delivery mechanisms

Including:

- revised and strengthened housing policies and building regulations
- integrated approach to the housing ecosystem by taking into account complementary sectors
- reduced time and cost of key statutory and administrative processes on which housing delivery depends.

Streams of engagement

1. **Technical advisory services** from a dedicated Task Force of experts that will provide evidence-based and action-oriented technical support to national and local governments on specific housing issues.
2. **Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) mediation** to match affordable housing projects with investment opportunities.
3. **Capacity building and knowledge exchange** through the creation of a regional Community of Practice on Housing to capture and share successful sustainable housing practices among members.
4. **Housing data collection/agenda**, to present the status of housing-relevant data in each country by drawing all housing relevant data into a single, easy-to-navigate platform



In order to set up the Housing Compact for Africa, the steps to be undertaken are:

1. Establish the Secretariat to coordinate project activities and stakeholder's participation, comprising selected partners from other relevant organizations ; and the development of action plan.
2. Identify countries from the region to act as champions of the Housing Compact for Africa thanks to their innovative and successful approaches in providing affordable housing solutions at scale.
3. Establish a multi-stakeholder Task Force bringing together experts from other organizations; public, private, and non-profit sectors; and academia.
4. Elevate the importance of housing in long-term urban development in Africa through a well-designed campaign and communication system, building on existing platform (WUC, WUF....) while developing a branding strategy for the Housing Compact for Africa.



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