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FOREWORD



The global housing crisis, especially in the developing world, is getting worse by the day making the right to adequate shelter a quest that is becoming more and more difficult to meet, despite the targets set by the Millennium Development Goals.

Such is the rate of urbanization – the influx of people into towns and cities, and their natural growth – that the world has now reached a point where for the first time now, half the global population lives in towns and cities.

By the year 2050, six billion people – two-thirds of humanity – will be living in towns and cities. And as urban centres grow, the locus of global poverty is moving into towns and cities, especially into the burgeoning informal settlements and slums, of the developing world. In the developing world, this is happening so fast that slums are mushrooming in what is termed the urbanization of poverty.

This makes it imperative that we use every means at our disposal to ensure that we at UN-HABITAT, and our partners, keep applying ourselves to Target 11 of the Goals – to achieve significant improvement in the lives of at least 100 million slum dwellers, by 2020.

And for this, we need innovative governance, and local thinking and reporting if we are to bring hope to the urban poor. Equally importantly, we need to support our towns and cities, indeed our countries, to adopt pro-poor policies and strategies that will obviate the need for further slum creation.

It is against this background, that the Human Settlements Financing Tools and Best Practices series focuses on the development of know-how, knowledge and tools in human settlements financing, from which Member States can learn in delivering affordable housing to the poor.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Anna Tibaijuka'.

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

CBOs	Community Based Organisations
CDA	Community Development Association
CIUP	Community Infrastructure Upgrading Project
CRDB	Cooperative and Rural Development Bank
DCC	Dar es Salaam City Council
FINCA	Foundation for International Assistance
HNCDA	Hanna Nassif Community Development Association
LGA	Local Government Authority
MFI	Micro-finance institutions
MKUKUTA	Mkakati wa Kukuza Uchumi na Kupunguza Umasikini, Tanzania
MKURABITA	Mkakati wa Kurasimisha Biashara na Mali za Wanyonge, Tanzania
MLHSD	Ministry of Lands, Housing and Human Settlements Development
NBC	National Bank of Commerce
NBS	National Bureau of Statistics
NGOs	Non Governmental Organisations
NHSDP	National Human Settlements Development Policy
NMB	National Microfinance Bank
PMU	Project Management Unit
PRIDE	Promotion of Rural Initiatives and Development Enterprise
RC	Regularization Committee
SACAs	Savings and Credit Associations
SACCOs	Savings Associations and Credit Cooperative Societies
SFF	Special Forces Funds
TC	Technical Committee
THB	Tanzania Housing Bank
UN	United Nations
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UPC	Urban Planning Committee
URT	United Republic of Tanzania
WAT	Women Advancement Trust
WFHDF	Workers and Farmers Housing Development Fund

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