CLIMATE CHANGE MARKER

User's Guide to CCM

THE UN-HABITAT HUMAN RIGHTS MARKER (CCM)

The overall goal of the CCM is to strengthen programmatic synergies while ensuring that project outcomes reach all intended beneficiaries, particularly persons in vulnerable situations. As a result, an effective integration of cross-cutting issues will also increasingly enable the replication and up-scaling of projects.

While mainstreaming of the climate change is a responsibility for all staff-members, project managers retain primary responsibility for ensuring mainstreaming throughout the UN-Habitat project cycle. The Climate Change Planning Unit stands ready to provide training and advisory services upon request.

The **CCM is a mainstreaming tool** that serves two main purposes:

- **Quality assurance**. The CCM assures the quality of projects at the level of the Project Advisory Group (PAG), and thus increase accountability and transparency through its monitoring function.
- **Capacity-building.** The CCM builds the capacity of UN-Habitat to integrate cross-cutting issues in the project cycle by providing guidance and sharing knowledge, including through staff self-assessment.

At the project planning and design stage, a self-assessment rating should be recorded in the Projects Accrual and Accountability System (PAAS) by the project manager prior to submitting the Project Document to the PAG for review and approval. A UN-Habitat project for consideration of the PAG must receive a final rating of '1' or more by Climate Change Planning Unit in order to be approved. This final rating will be recorded in PAAS. Projects rated '0' (i.e. blind/negative rating by the respective cross-cutting teams) will be disallowed to move to the UMOJA stage to access funding.

FAMALIARISING YOURSELF WITH THE CCM

1. **At what stage should I familiarise myself with the CCM?** Read through CCM before beginning a project proposal to familiarise yourself with the requirements.
2. **Where can I find the CCM?** The CCM is available on the Intranet under Cross-cutting Issues and PAG pages and on PAAS.

#	Sections of Project Document*	CLIMATE CHANGE BLIND (0)	CLIMATE CHANGE AWARE (1)	CLIMATE CHANGE SENSITIVE (2)	CLIMATE CHANGE TRANSFORMATIVE (3)
2	**Situational Analysis**				
2.2.	**Central Issue Addressed**	No discussion of climate change considerations	A minimal amount of discussion of climate change	Climate change is a secondary issue addressed. Country- and/or city-level situations are described and inter-linkages are analysed.	Climate change is the central issue addressed. Country and city-level situations are described, w/ particular attention at city level to marginalized populations. Inter-linkage analysed.
2.3.	**Purpose** *(also see "Expected Accomplishments", below)*	Reducing greenhouse gas emissions or adapting to climate change is not a purpose of the project.	Reducing greenhouse gas emissions or adapting to climate change is not a purpose of the project.	Reducing greenhouse gas emissions and/or adapting to climate change is a secondary purpose or co-benefit of the project.	Setting cities on a low-carbon and/or climate-resilient development path-way is a primary purpose. The "co-benefits" to local beneficiaries of reduced GHG emissions (e.g., improved air quality) are clearly articulated.
2.4.	**Alignment**	The project is not aligned with Local, National, Regional or Global climate change priorities.	The project is not aligned with Local, National, Regional or Global climate change priorities.	The project is at least minimally aligned with one of the following: Local, National, Regional or Global climate change priorities.	The project is strongly aligned with Local, National, Regional and/or Global climate change priorities.
3	**Implementation Strategy**				
3.1.	**Implementation Strategy**	The implementation strategy does not address climate change.	The implementation strategy does not address climate change.	The implementation strategy integrates at least a small number of budgeted steps, strategies or methods for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and/or adapting to climate change.	The implementation strategy sets forth a coherent set of budgeted steps, strategies and methods for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and/ or adapting to climate change.
3.4.	**Project Risk Register – Environmental**	No consideration of climate-related natural disasters, or emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs).	May include some consideration of climate-related natural disasters and/or GHG emissions, but with no corresponding strategy for reducing those risks.	For any risks identified related to climate-related natural disasters or GHG emissions, the project has proposed a strategy that promises to adequately reduce those risks.	For any risks identified related to climate-related natural disasters or GHG emissions, the project has proposed a strategy that promises to adequately reduce or eliminate those risks.

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3.5.	Environ-mental Analy-sis	No consideration of po-tential impacts that may increase vulnerability to climate change-related impacts, and/or result in increased GHG emis-sions.	Some consideration of potential impacts that may increase vul-nerability and/or result in in-creased GHG emissions, but with no corresponding identifi-cation of environmental and social safeguards or efforts to preserve the "ecological envi-ronment"	Adequate consideration of potential im-pacts that may increase vulnerability, and/or result in increased GHG emis-sions, with at least some efforts to put in place environmental and social safe-guards and/or "preserve the ecological environment" (*phrase from Project Doc-ument template*)	Adequate consideration of potential impacts that may increase vulnerability and/or result in pollution/GHG emis-sions, along with a full set of environ-mental and social safeguards and/or measures to "preserve the ecological environment"
3.10.	Knowledge Management	No knowledge manage-ment strategy related to climate change	No knowledge management strategy related to climate change	At least a minimal knowledge manage-ment strategy related to climate change, e.g., documentation of operational-level experiences	The project provides explicit mecha-nisms for replicating, up-scaling and/or sharing of tools and lessons learned, with an emphasis on sharing operational lessons at normative level
6	Logical Framework				
	Expected Ac-complish-ments (Objectives)	Addressing climate change is not a specific Expected Accomplish-ment or sub-Expected Accomplishment of the project.	Addressing climate change is not a specific Expected Accom-plishment or sub-Expected Ac-complishment of the project.	Addressing climate change is a sub-Expected Accomplishment of the project.	Addressing climate change is an Ex-pected Accomplishment of the project.
	Activities	The proposed activities do not address climate change.	The proposed activities do not address climate change.	The project contains at least a small number of activities that seek to reduce greenhouse gases and/ or promote adap-tation to climate change.	The project has in place a coherent set of activities that seek to reduce green-house gases and/ or adapt to climate change as part of broader sustainability agenda.
	Indicators	No climate change relat-ed indicators.	No climate change related indi-cators.	The project may contain at least 1-2 indi-cators related to measuring reductions of greenhouse gases and/ or adaptation to climate change.	The project contains a clear set of indi-cators to measure reductions of GHG emissions and/ or increased resilience that reflect global standards and/or state-of-the-art practices.

Note: Number and section title is per "Project Development Template" (May 2012) provided by Project Office in June 2015 (selected sections only). Users will need to apply the present matrix flexibly when reviewing Project Concepts; see "Project Concept Development Template" (8 July 2015).

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LINKS AND FURTHER READING