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STRATEGJIA E STREHIMIT SOCIAL 2015-2025



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Initial situation

- Need for a Housing Strategy;
- Territorial reform;
- The lack of a clear vision for housing;
- Priority of Government of Albania;
- Legal obligation;



The process for drafting of the Strategy

- Support of UNDP with experts;
- Set up of the inter-institutional working group;
- Analysis of the situation and identification of needs for housing;
- Consultative meetings with all stakeholders involved in the process;



Identification of the Problems

- Lack of capacity at Local Government Units (LGU) for planning and implementation of housing programs;
- Following of the procedures from municipalities in order to get funding for social housing;
- Lack of social rented housing owned by municipalities;
- Development of programs that mostly help groups with middle income excluding disadvantaged groups;
- Lack of aid funds for rental assistance for people without income.
- Mungesa e një regjistri për evidentimin e trojeve shtetërore/në pronësi të bashkive;
- The absence of a register for identification of the state lands owned by the municipalities;



Vision of Strategy

- Until 2025, a large part of the Albanian population, who can not afford a housing alternative in the market and in particular those who are in a disadvantaged position, through strategy vision is aimed to improve their quality of life through the provision of alternative housing which are appropriate and affordable by them.



The aim of Strategy

- Offering of ready accessible solutions, affordable and qualitative for housing for those families with low and medium income that can not afford a house in the open market and in particular for families in disadvantaged position who suffer from social exclusion.



What is the newness of this strategy?

- The conceptualization of housing as a service package.
- Focus on families with the disadvantaged positions.
- The development of 'Residual' social housing programs for families excluded from the housing market.



Objectives

- **Data collection and assessment of needs for social housing within the territorial reform;**
- **Review of housing law and procedures for the allocation of social housing;**
- **Coordination of efforts on central and local level for provision of the social housing;**
- **Promoting Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) for provision of the social housing;**
- **Improvement of financial instruments for groups in the disadvantaged position;**
- **The development of various programs for housing of groups in the disadvantaged positions.**



Target Groups

Families in need, Roma and Egyptian communities, abused women, orphans, persons with disabilities, families that are excluded from the process of legalization, homeless families resulting from the implementation of judicial decisions.



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How the Strategy will address the needs for housing?



Housing Programs

- Social rented housing;
- Low-cost housing;
- Provision of infrastructure on the state owned lands;



Monitoring and Evaluation

- Collecting and analyzing of data in order to measure the progress of the strategy;
- Using of quantitative and qualitative indicators (For Example. the number of beneficiaries under the programs, access to information);
- Communication of the monitoring and evaluation results and their reflection in the policies and programs.



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Data collection and evaluation of needs for social housing (12/2018)

- Evaluation of the existing data based on the territorial reform and the setting up of a system for collecting of data on periodical basis;
- Assessment of housing needs at the local level, focusing in particular on groups with disadvantaged position;
- Identification of existing housing resources and opportunities for intervention at the local level;
- Set up of an electronic system with aim of registering, monitoring and analysis of the information about applicants.



Review of Law 9232 "On Social Housing Programs" (06/2016)

- Well-established roles and responsibilities of different institutions linked to the sector of social housing in the central and local level;
- Review of the functioning to the housing structures in local government units;
- Inclusion of incentives for Private Public Partnership (PPP);
- Clarification and extension of the beneficiaries profiles.



Review of Law 9232 "On Social Housing Programs" (06/2016)

- Defining roles and responsibilities of local government on procedures of social housing allocation, in particular with regard to the groups in the disadvantaged position;
- Determination of minimal living conditions and construction standards;
- Determination of minimum housing standards that reflect the needs of groups in the disadvantaged position;
- Distribution of housing funds from the central government to local government units.



Coordination of efforts on central and local level (12/2025)

- Coordination of work by the Ministry of Urban Development with other institutions, local governments and civil society organizations for distribution procedures about social housing;
- Coordination of housing programs and other social programs, which focus on education, health, employment, social protection, or other sectors, with the aim to empower families;
- Set up of an accessible information system at the local level, with special focus on groups of the disadvantaged position;
- Increase of local capacities through the training programs.



Promoting of Public-Private Partnership (12/2022)

- Determination and application of models of public-private partnership;
- Determination and application of models that involve individuals and communities in the provision of housing;
- The implementation of the necessary measures to promote the use of unused buildings and land;
- Provision of assistance in order to legalize and improve informal settlements;



Improvement of financial instruments (12/2020)

Review and evaluation of existing financial instruments;

Selection of financial instruments aimed at improving access on housing at groups with the disadvantaged positions.



The development of social housing programs

- Improvement of living conditions for Roma and Egyptian communities;
- Rent subsidy;
- Provision of land with infrastructure;
- Financing of energy efficiency projects;
- Subsidy of interests with eased loans.



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