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# IMPLEMENTING THE NEW URBAN AGENDA

WHEN THE VISUAL IDENTITY  
TAKES ON ITS FULL MEANING

A GUIDE TO USING  
THE NEW URBAN  
AGENDA BRANDING

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The New Urban Agenda (NUA) was adopted by the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III), in Quito, Ecuador, and endorsed by the General Assembly on 23 December 2016 (A/RES/71/256).

The New Urban Agenda shares a vision of cities for all, and it aims to achieve cities and human settlements where all persons are able to enjoy equal rights and opportunities.

The Agenda is guided by three interlinked principles:

- \* Leave no one behind
- \* Ensure sustainable and inclusive urban economies
- \* Ensure environmental sustainability

The New Urban Agenda has a global scope and proposes a participatory, people-centered vision, while providing actions to achieve sustainable urban development given the specific and nuanced needs of different cities, towns, and territories.

Successfully implementing the New Urban Agenda entails the commitment and coordination of all levels of government, international and regional organizations and bodies, including the United Nations system, financial institutions, the private sector, civil society organizations, and the academia.

Highlighting the efforts and work being done by all these urban actors towards implementing the New Urban Agenda is a way of reinforcing and fostering their commitment to a new urban paradigm, as well as a manner to create awareness around the topic. For this reason, the United Nations has commissioned a visual identity on promoting the Implementation of the New Urban Agenda, available for all to use.

## AN IMPLEMENTING BRANDING FOR EACH OF US

The New Urban Agenda was developed following a broad and participatory process that included voices from a variety of urban contexts in order to reach a global agenda able to tackle a wide range of urban challenges.

Now is the time for identifying and acting on priorities for each urban environment. Sustainable urbanization is not a unique model. Reaching sustainable urbanization is an open process for implementing a set of well-addressed actions by a wide range of urban actors, which differs according to each context.

A visual identity conveys meaning through color, shape, size, and other symbolic graphic elements. As such, the New Urban Agenda branding has been developed to be as diverse, participatory, and inclusive as the process that it represents.

## WHEN DESIGN BECOMES PART OF IMPLEMENTATION

This Visual Identity is the first step to setting up the tools for implementing the New Urban Agenda in various contexts and territories.

The following paragraphs from the New Urban Agenda illustrate the alignment between its implementing actions and the Visual Identity guidelines :

*92. We will promote participatory age- and gender-responsive approaches at all stages of the urban and territorial policy and planning processes, from conceptualization to design, budgeting, implementation, evaluation and review, rooted in new forms of direct partnership between Governments at all levels and civil society, including through broad-based and well-resourced permanent mechanisms and platforms for cooperation and consultation open to all, using information and communications technologies and accessible data solutions.*

*154. We recognize the significant contribution of voluntary collaborative initiatives, partnerships and coalitions that plan to initiate and enhance the implementation of the New Urban Agenda, highlighting best practices and innovative solutions, including by promoting coproduction networks between subnational entities, local governments and other relevant stakeholders.*

*155. We will promote capacity-development initiatives to empower and strengthen the skills and abilities of women and girls, children and youth, older persons and persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and local communities, as well as persons in vulnerable situations, for shaping governance processes, engaging in dialogue, and promoting and protecting human rights and anti-discrimination, to ensure their effective participation in urban and territorial development decision- making.*

*156. We will promote the development of national information and communications technology policies and e-government strategies, as well as citizen-centric digital governance tools, tapping into technological innovations, including capacity- development programmes, in order to make information and communications technologies accessible to the public, including women and girls, children and youth, persons with disabilities, older persons and persons in vulnerable situations, to enable them to develop and exercise civic responsibility, broadening participation and fostering responsible governance, as well as increasing efficiency. The use of digital platforms and tools, including geospatial information systems, will be encouraged to improve long-term integrated urban and territorial planning and design, land administration and management, and access to urban and metropolitan services.*

## BRANDING VALUES

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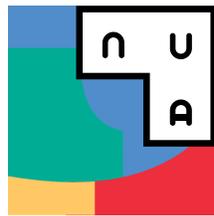
There are two logo alternatives available when branding your work in implementing the New Urban Agenda: a standard logo and a do-it-yourself (DIY) logo, both of which can highlight and create brand recall for the work of UN agencies, different levels of government, intergovernmental organizations, non-profit organizations, and private sector entities.

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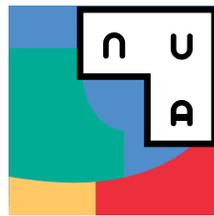
City squares, plazas, streets, and, by extension, public and common spaces are the most valuable asset of every city and town.

The NUA Visual Identity employs a Square to represent where the New Urban Agenda is taking action. It is the symbolic public area where the values of the New Urban Agenda are alive.

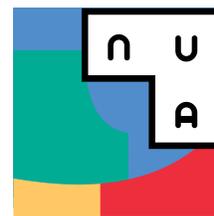
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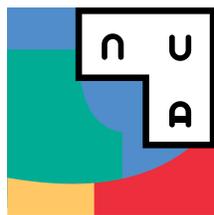
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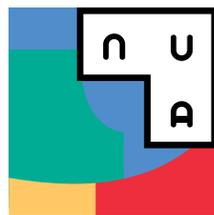
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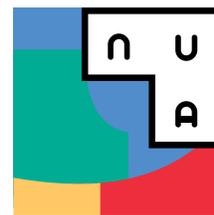
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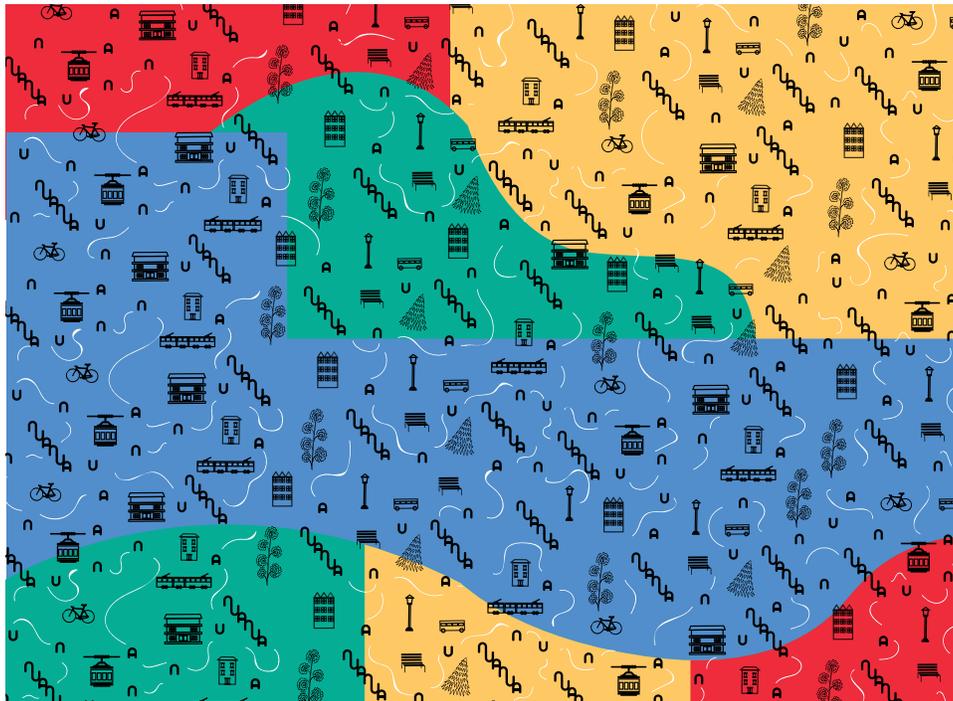
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## THE WAVES

TOGETHER IN ACTION

The energetic waves are a graphic element that may accompany the NUA Standard Logo. The Waves show the dynamism of different actors implementing the New Urban Agenda.

This graphic element of the wave may only be used when applying the Standard Logo.





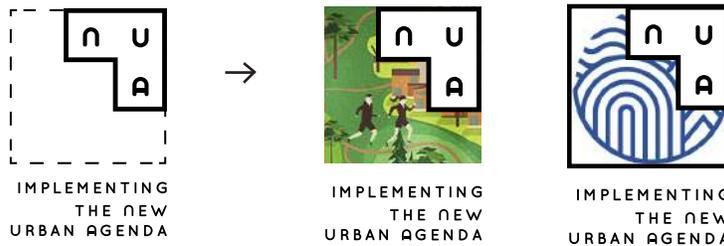
**DO-IT-YOURSELF LOGO  
(DIY)**

You are invited to customize your own NUA logo within the framework of the NUA Visual Identity. In other words, you may decide what is happening in your New Urban Agenda Square.

You may download the DIY Kit and design a NUA logo that is aligned with your corporate guidelines and your work in implementing the New Urban Agenda.

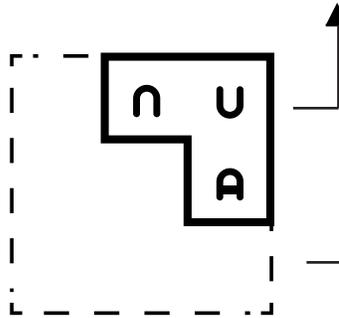
Your government or organization is invited to officially report your design contributions to the United Nations when submitting a report on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda.

For enquiries and reporting: [habitat3media@un.org](mailto:habitat3media@un.org)



Keep this area in mind when customizing your NUA logo. Do not alter the NUA Square.

Created your own graphic element and place it in this area.



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(DIY EXAMPLES)



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### CLEARANCE AREA



### BLACK AND WHITE

To be used on black&white and grayscale designs only.

### DO NOT



DO NOT stretch/squash/distort



DO NOT add drop shadows



DO NOT rearrange elements



DO NOT change the font



DO NOT change the font colour



When using the Standard logo DO NOT change the official colours



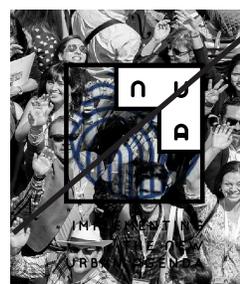
DO NOT place photos inside the Square



When using the DIY logo DO NOT keep it white or keep the dashed line (which is a placeholder only)



DO NOT use the waves inside the logo



DO NOT place the logo over backgrounds that affect readability

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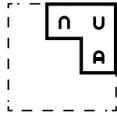
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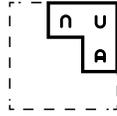


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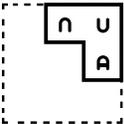
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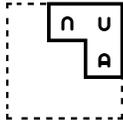
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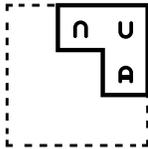
(which includes UN emblem) + **NUA**

To avoid duplication of the UN emblem, if the UN entity logo includes the UN emblem, then pairing with the NUA logo is limited to the version sans the UN emblem.

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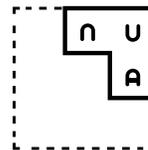


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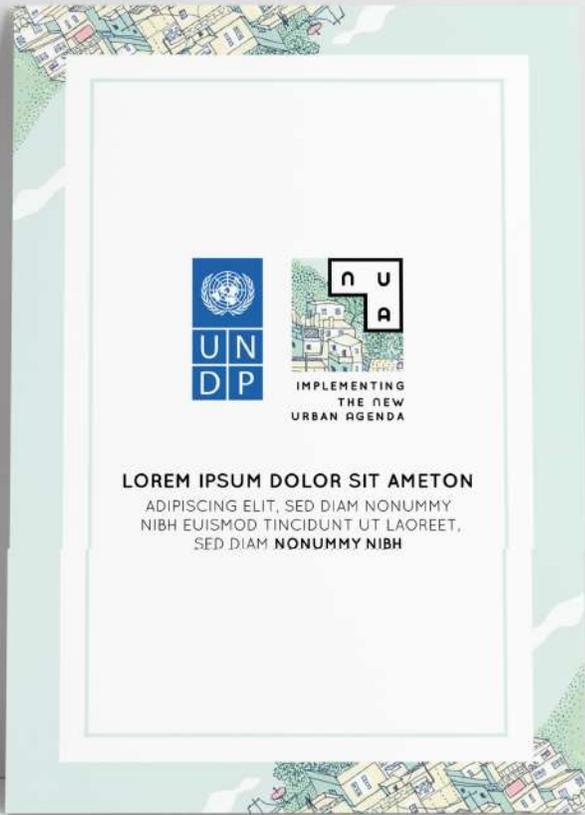


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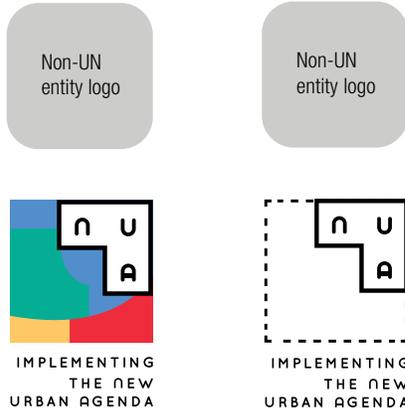


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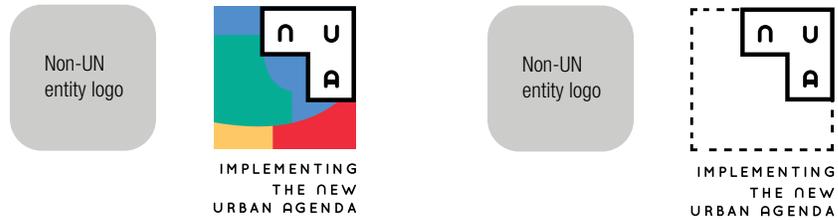
# USE OF THE LOGO FOR NON-UNITED NATIONS

GROUPS AND ENTITIES

VERTICAL



HORIZONTAL



The implementation of the New Urban Agenda contributes to the implementation and localization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in an integrated manner, and to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals and targets, including Goal 11 of making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable.

Projects and initiatives within the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals and the New Urban Agenda may use the following versions of NUA-SDG joint branding.

All versions below may be done with NUA Standard and DIY logos.

**NUA LOGO+SDG UN SYSTEM**



**NUA LOGO+SDG UN SYSTEM+SDG ICON**



**UN ENTITY LOGO** (which does not include UN emblem) + **NUA+SDG**



**UN ENTITY LOGO** (which does not include UN emblem) + **NUA+SDG+SDG ICON**



**UN ENTITY LOGO** (which includes UN emblem) + **NUA+SDG**



**UN ENTITY LOGO** (which includes UN emblem) + **NUA+SDG+ICON**



**NON-UN ENTITY LOGO+NUA+SDG**



**NON-UN ENTITY LOGO+NUA+SDG+SDG ICON**



# SDG COLOUR WHEEL

## NUA LOGO+SDG UN SYSTEM



## NUA LOGO+SDG UN SYSTEM+SDG ICON



## UN ENTITY LOGO (which does not include UN emblem) + NUA+SDG



## UN ENTITY LOGO (which does not include UN emblem) + NUA+SDG+SDG ICON



## UN ENTITY LOGO (which includes UN emblem) + NUA+SDG



## UN ENTITY LOGO (which includes UN emblem) + NUA+SDG+ICON



## NON-UN ENTITY LOGO+NUA+SDG



## NON-UN ENTITY LOGO (which includes UN emblem) + NUA+SDG ICON

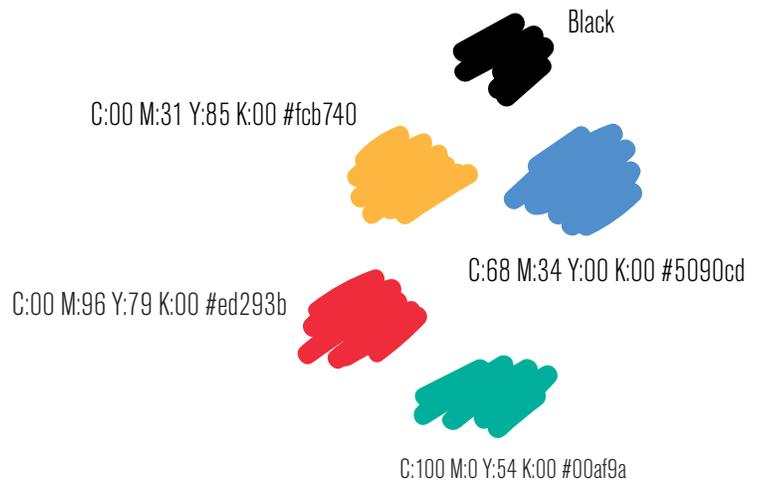


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Unless otherwise advised by the United Nations via general or specific notice, the NUA logo, including DIY versions, may be used until the Habitat IV Conference. This period refers to the timeframe within which the New Urban Agenda should be implemented and reported.

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