**Youth-SWAP Implementation Matrix-**

**UN Habitat Lead Roles in Thematic Teams**

**EMPLOYMENT**

UN-Habitat will be the lead on Commitment 2-Measure 2.3, in the Youth-SWAP, which aims to support the improvement and enforcement of rights at work for youth and implement employment and skills development programmes to ease the transition of disadvantaged youth to decent work. The measure is countries assisted in developing comprehensive and evidence-based employment and livelihoods programmes targeting disadvantaged youth. Other agencies taking the lead on this are FAO, ILO and UNDP.

**ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Together with UNIDO, UN-HABITAT are the lead agencies on Commitment 4-Measure 4.3 of the Implementation Matrix, which aims to strengthen mechanisms for promoting youth entrepreneurship, in particular for young women, through availing information on entrepreneurial opportunities for young available through in-person and online services

**PROTECTION OF RIGHTS**

Under Commitment 5, UN-HABITAT is the lead agency, with OHCHR, through Measure 5.1 to provide support to countries to take action towards safeguarding and promoting the human rights of youth through the implementation of existing Human Rights instruments to strengthen the rights of youth increased, as well as through Measure 5.2 through the identification of potential gaps in existing human rights instruments applicable to youth. UN-HABITAT will be the lead on Measure 5.3 related to the improvement of access to information on, for and by young people on rights.

**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT**

UN-HABITAT will be taking the lead on Commitment 6- on Young people’s effective inclusive civic engagement at local, national, regional and global levels promoted through Measure 6.1 on enhancing capacities of young people-led organizations and networks to support civic engagement and participation of young people, as well as through Measure 6.2 on strengthening capacities of stakeholders (e.g. policy makers, academia, civil society organizations, media and private sector) to establish inclusive policies and mechanisms that support civic engagement of young people. Finally, through Measure 6.3 on enhancing internal capacity of the UN system to provide policy and technical support on the inclusive civic engagement of young people.

Lead role will be taken with FAO and UNV on Measure 6.1, and with UNESCO on Measures 6.2 and 6.3.

**POLITICAL INCLUSION**

Under Commitment 7 on supporting young people’s participation in inclusive political processes and democratic practices, UN-HABITAT will be the lead with UNDP and UNESCO through Measure 7.2 on promoting young people’s leadership skills and capacities to participate actively in democratic practices, including in local, national and global processes, and with UNDP and UNWomen through Measure 7.3 on the promotion of young women’s participation and presence in political office and decision-making at local, national, regional and global levels.

Under Commitment 5 on supporting young people’s inclusion in decision making and in all levels of development processes, UN-HABITAT will be the lead with DESA, UNDP and UNESCO through Measure 8.1 on the effective participation of young people and young people-led organizations in United Nations governance and decision-making processes

**Other Areas-UN-HABITAT Supporting Roles:**

**EMPLOYMENT**

**1. Enhance national capacity to develop gender-sensitive strategies for decent work for youth**

1.1. Global and regional partnerships for decent work for youth established across the UN System to place employment of young people in both rural and urban areas at the centre of the development agenda

Lead: ILO

1.2. Multi-pronged youth employment strategies implemented through gender-sensitive national policies and time-bound action plans

Lead: ILO

1.3. Young people and their organizations engaged in the development of national youth employment strategies

Lead: ILO

**2. Support the improvement and enforcement of rights at work for youth and implement employment and skills development programmes to ease the transition of disadvantaged youth to decent work**

2.1. Mechanisms for monitoring and sharing information on rights at work for youth strengthened

Lead: ILO

2.2. Strategies implemented to increase employability and ease the transitions to decent work for disadvantaged youth

Lead: ILO, UNESCO

**3. Support institutional reforms for and enabling environment conducive to youth entrepreneurship, including access to markets, finance and other resources**

3.1. Capacity of institutions to support young entrepreneurs strengthened

Lead: UNDP

3.3. Increased access to assets and services by young entrepreneurs in rural and urban areas

Lead: UNIDO, IFAD

**4. Strengthen mechanisms for promoting youth entrepreneurship, in particular for young women**

4.1. Methodology and tools to promote youth entrepreneurship, particularly for young women, used by UN entities

Lead: ILO

4.2. Innovative approaches to entrepreneurship expanded, with a view to increasing job opportunities for young women and men

Lead: YEN

**POLITICAL INCLUSION**

**7. Young people’s participation in inclusive political processes and democratic practices supported**

7.1. Enabling environment promoted for young people’s participation in electoral and parliamentary processes, public administration and local governance including in peace-building environments at local, sub-national and national levels

Lead: UNDP, UNESCO