In 2023, UN-Habitat through PLGS expanded its capacity development efforts. More government officials and other partners now have improved capacity to develop and implement policies, strategies and frameworks that foster sustainable urban development. The year saw the development and advancing of tools and application of these tools in trainings, workshops, expert group meetings and other learning opportunities.

**a. Capacity Development Tools**

i. 'Digital Governance for Inclusive and Sustainable African Cities’ e-learning course - This massive open online course (MOOC) constitutes a learning suitcase for City Leaders, Policymakers, Practitioners, and other stakeholders to have a deep understanding of the process of Using Technologies and Innovative Approaches to create a Communication-Based, Collaborative, Transparent, and Sustainable Environment for the Citizens. Through Existing Tools, Case Studies, Experience Sharing, Expert Testimonies, and Learning Materials, this MOOC aims to equip participants with tools to Transform Urban Systems through Digital-based Solutions. A total of 1169 learners have enrolled for the course globally, with 72 certificates issued so far.

### Learners’ profile information (296)

- **Mr**: 27.4%
- **Mrs**: 11.2%
- **Dr**: 34.7%
- **Prof**: 5.7%

### Gender

- **Male**: 43.9%
- **Female**: 55.7%
- **Prefer not to say**: 10.4%

### Nationality (country)

- **Kenya**: 44.7%
- **Nigeria**: 6.1%
- **South Africa**: 4.1%
- **Morocco**: 5.7%

### Other Countries

- **Afghanistan**: 4.1%
- **Albania**: 3.4%
- **Argentina**: 3.4%
- **Armenia**: 1.1%
- **Antigua and Barbuda**: 1.1%
- **Andorra**: 1.1%
- **Angola**: 1.1%
- **Argentina**: 1.1%
- **Armenia**: 1.1%
ii. "Advancing Climate Action through Urban Law" e-learning course: This course explores the essential role that urban law plays in addressing the challenges of climate change. It delves into UN-Habitat’s Urban Law Module of the Law and Climate Change Toolkit, which is a valuable resource for countries, local governments, professionals, academia and other stakeholders seeking to adapt their urban planning and environmental regulations and policies to manage climate change effectively. This course was launched during COP28 and can be accessed via UN-Habitat’s hub of e-learning tools, Habitat Learn. In the first month of its launch, the course was accessed by 167 learners globally, with 17 successfully completing the course.

b. Capacity Development Programmes and Initiatives

i. MetroHUB Global Capacity Development Programme

The MetroHUB Global Capacity Development Programme continued to advance knowledge and advocacy on various metropolitan topics. The programme delivered several trainings and courses to metropolitan representatives, academia members and other urban actors over the year. In 2023, more than 200 participants from Italy, Mexico and Spain enhanced their capacity on metropolitan management through four different capacity development sessions.