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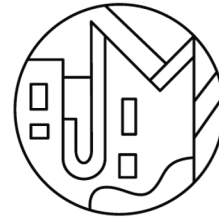
Unlocking the Potential of VLRs: Building Sustainable Cities Through Local Action and Follow-up and Review Processes **MALAYSIA'S VOLUNTARY LOCAL REVIEW**

Accelerating the Sustainable Urban Agenda 2030

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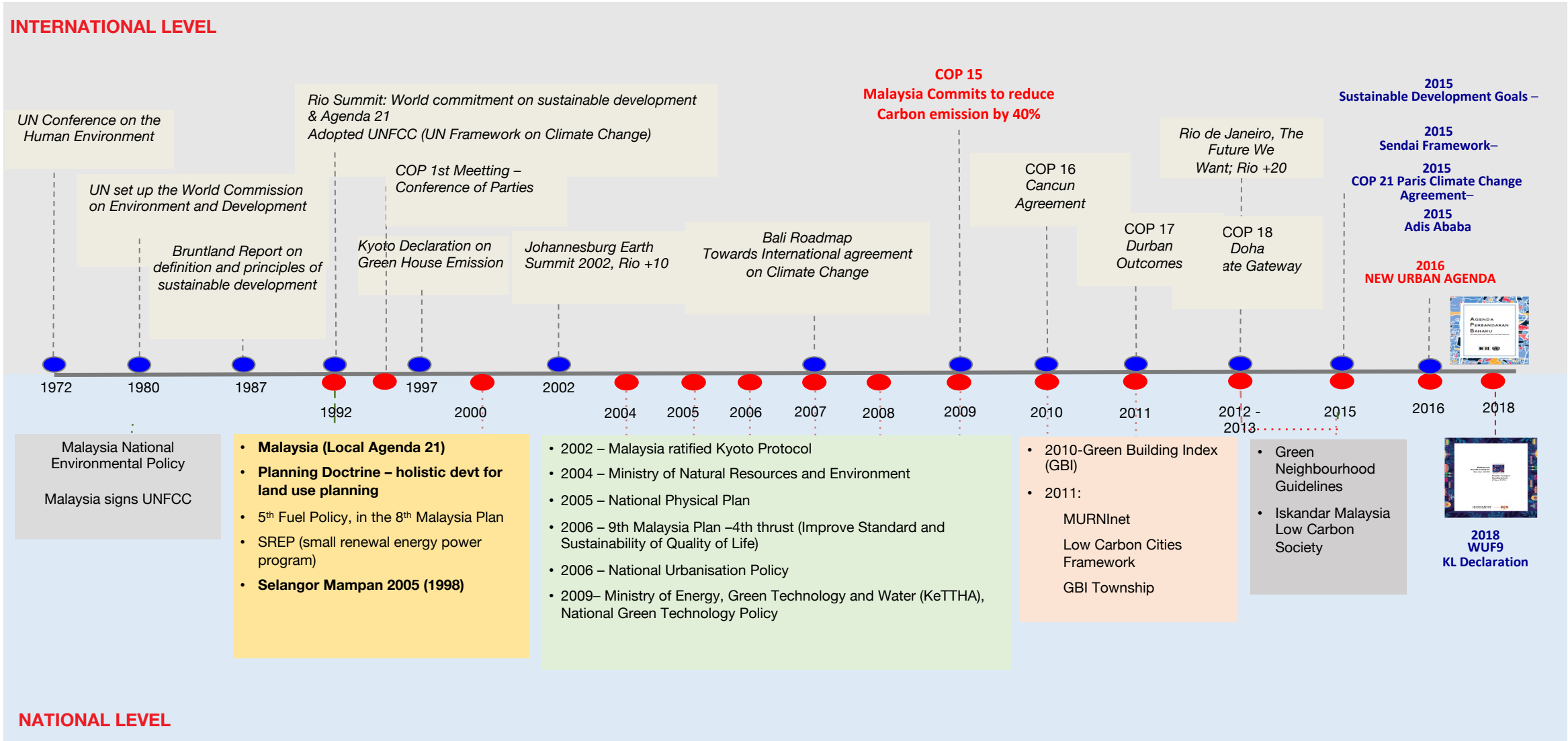
A Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Cities and Communities

MISSION

To localise and mainstream the **sustainable urban agenda, catalyse urban solutions, foster community resilience and promote climate-actions** for the sustainability of our communities and cities.

Malaysia's Sustainability Agenda – Not a New Agenda

Malaysia started addressing environmental issues and achieving the sustainable development since 1972 after joining The United Nations Conference on the Human Environment. Malaysia signs the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in 1993, ratified the Kyoto Protocol in 2002 and commit to 40% CO2 emission in COP15 in 2009.



Themes

Strengthening Security, Wellbeing and Inclusivity

Advancing Sustainability

17 SDGs



Challenges

6 Rukun

3 Strategies

17 SDGs

Trusts

Tools

Transforming the Approach in Eradicating Hardcore Poverty

Post – Covid19, Challenging Global
Outlook:
Natural Disaster – Climate Crisis. National
Debt

Weak Competitiveness, Low-Quality Investment, Corruption, Transparency

Unequal Development, Nation's Resilience, Living Cost and Poverty

Debt **M** Sustainable **A** Prosperity
KeMampanan Kesejahteraan

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Driving Economic Growth
that is inclusive and sustainable

Reforming Institution and Governance

to restore confidence

Upholding Social Justice to combat inequality



NEW URBAN AGENDA

Transformative implementation

Effective implementation

Urban Prosperity | Social Inclusion | Environmental Sustainability

Governance Structure | Spatial Development

Development Enablers

Operational Enablers

- National Urban Policy
- Urban Economy and Municipal Finance

- Urban Planning and Urban Design
- Urban legislation
- Local Implementation

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LOCALISING THE SDGs IN MALAYSIA

National SDG Governance

The main decision-making body for the national SDG governance structure is the National SDG Council, which is helmed by the Right Honourable Prime Minister. The Council endorses and monitors SDG implementation and progress towards the 2030 Agenda. It is supported by a National Steering Committee (NSC). The NSC prepares the national reports that are presented at the UN through the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) on Sustainable Development.

National SDG Council
(Chaired by the Right Honourable Prime Minister)

Setting the direction for the implementation of SDGs, establishing the national agenda and milestones, and reporting to the UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (State Chief Minister/State Secretary as representatives).

SDG Steering Committee
(Chaired by the Minister at the Ministry of Economy)

Monitoring the progress of SDG implementation and reporting to the National SDG Council.

SDG Technical Committee
(Chaired by the Secretary-General of the Ministry of Economy)

Preparing the SDG Roadmap, monitoring SDG goal progress, identifying issues, and reporting to both the National SDG Council and the SDG Steering Committee.

Inclusive Committee for Good Well-being and Economic Growth (EPU)



Sustainable Financing Committee (MOF)



Human Capital Committee (MOE)



Environment and Natural Resources Committee (NRECC)



JK Localizing SDG (KPKT)



Each Working Committee is represented by members from government ministries and departments, state governments, UN agencies, the private sector, civil society organizations (CSOs), non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and academic experts.

JK Sektor Swasta
SDSN Malaysia & UNGC



JK Pertubuhan Masyarakat
Sivil (CSO)
Malaysia CSO-SDG Alliance



There are seven SDG Cluster Working Committees (CWC), which support the NSC by identifying gaps and opportunities for each goal, planning and implementing programmes, as well as reporting on their progress.

The Need to Implement SDGs by All Levels

The performance of any country, to achieve the SDGs, depends on its leadership.

Effective leadership translates SDGs into public policy formulation and implementation, as well as good public service delivery, to meet the needs and aspirations of citizens.

Achieving the SDGs require concerted efforts of governments, the business sector, society, and individual citizens.

National Government

The Malaysia SDG Cities will provide important inputs needed to report on Voluntary National Review for SDGs, establish coherent national policies to address important urban issues and promote necessary regulatory frameworks.

State Government

The SDG Cities will allow States to measure the performance of their State in SDG implementation. Provide an opportunity to facilitate state wide planning to address challenging issues and coordinate state multiple sectoral interventions.

Local Government

The SDG City Report will provide a good opportunity for Local Actions that translates the Global Agenda to overcome local issues and to streamline State and National Policies. It will also lead to encourage Local Governments to prepare its Voluntary Local Review.

Private Sector

The SDG Cities roadmap will include the role of private sector to promote the financing and delivery of products, infrastructure, goods, and services; adopt new technologies to strengthen measures to achieve the SDGs targets.

Civil Society

The SDG Cities roadmap will open up space for engagement and participation in local decision-making and enable civil society to understand on their role and responsibilities to effect change to the SDG implementation.

New Urban Agenda

Adopted in Habitat III - Quito, Ecuador on the 20th October 2016.



EMBRACE URBANIZATION AT ALL LEVELS OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

**INTEGRATING EQUITY TO THE DEVELOPMENT
AGENDA – SUSTAINABLE & EQUITABLE CITIES**

CITIES ARE FOR ALL :
Leave No One Behind
Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Economies
Environmental Sustainability

An action-oriented document with global standards of achievement in sustainable urban development, by readdressing the way cities and human settlements are planned, designed, financed, developed, governed, and managed, through cooperation with committed partners, relevant stakeholders, and urban actors at all levels of government as well as the private sector and in supporting the 2030 Agenda

Includes the Key Global Commitments



The Malaysia SDG Cities

A framework to guide cities to prepare their Roadmap Towards a Sustainable City



Malaysia
SDG CITIES



In localizing the SDGs, the Malaysia SDG Cities will adapt, implement and monitor the SDGs goals and targets at the local level.

Aligning To National & State Policies And Plans

To implement the National SDG Roadmap for Malaysia, the need to align local SDGs programs and initiatives with State and National is important. This will support a bottom-up process, where the City Roadmap and Voluntary Local Reviews by Local Governments will provide the mechanism for implementation and monitoring.

Vertical Integration

National

Policies, Blueprints, Development Plans and Voluntary National Reviews

State

Policies, State Development Plans and State Sustainable Agenda

Local

Local Plans, Strategic Plans, Action Plans, Guidelines, Rules and Regulations.

- City Voluntary Local Review
- SDG Cities Report
- Community Programs and Initiatives

Launched on the 29th September 2020 by
Prime Minister of Malaysia @ MUF2020



To uplift the standards and status of Local Governments

Malaysia SDG Cities will assist Local Governments to align its operations goals and objectives with the sustainable agenda to ensure cities and communities priorities are achieved.



Set local priorities and focus attention on urgent urban challenges to harness future opportunities



Develop an Action Plan to match the SDG and synchronized and align with National, State and Local development agendas.



Strengthen role of Local Governments to monitor, evaluate and report SDG progress to national and state level



Raise local government awareness, commitment and capacities towards sustainable agenda

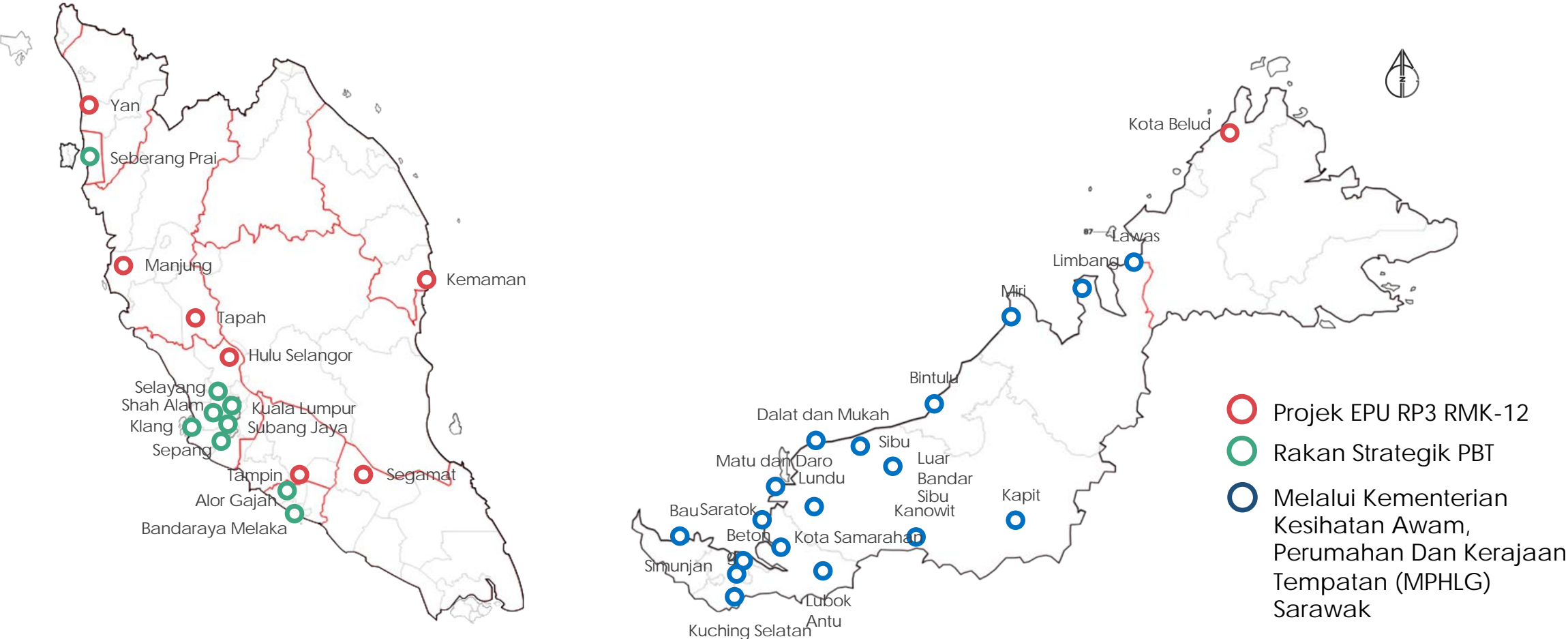


Create a platform for Partnership to mobilize and empower stakeholders to identify practical integrated and innovative Solutions



Facilitate local government access to funding resources and develop business models to finance SDGs actions

Malaysia SDG Cities Network – 45 Cities

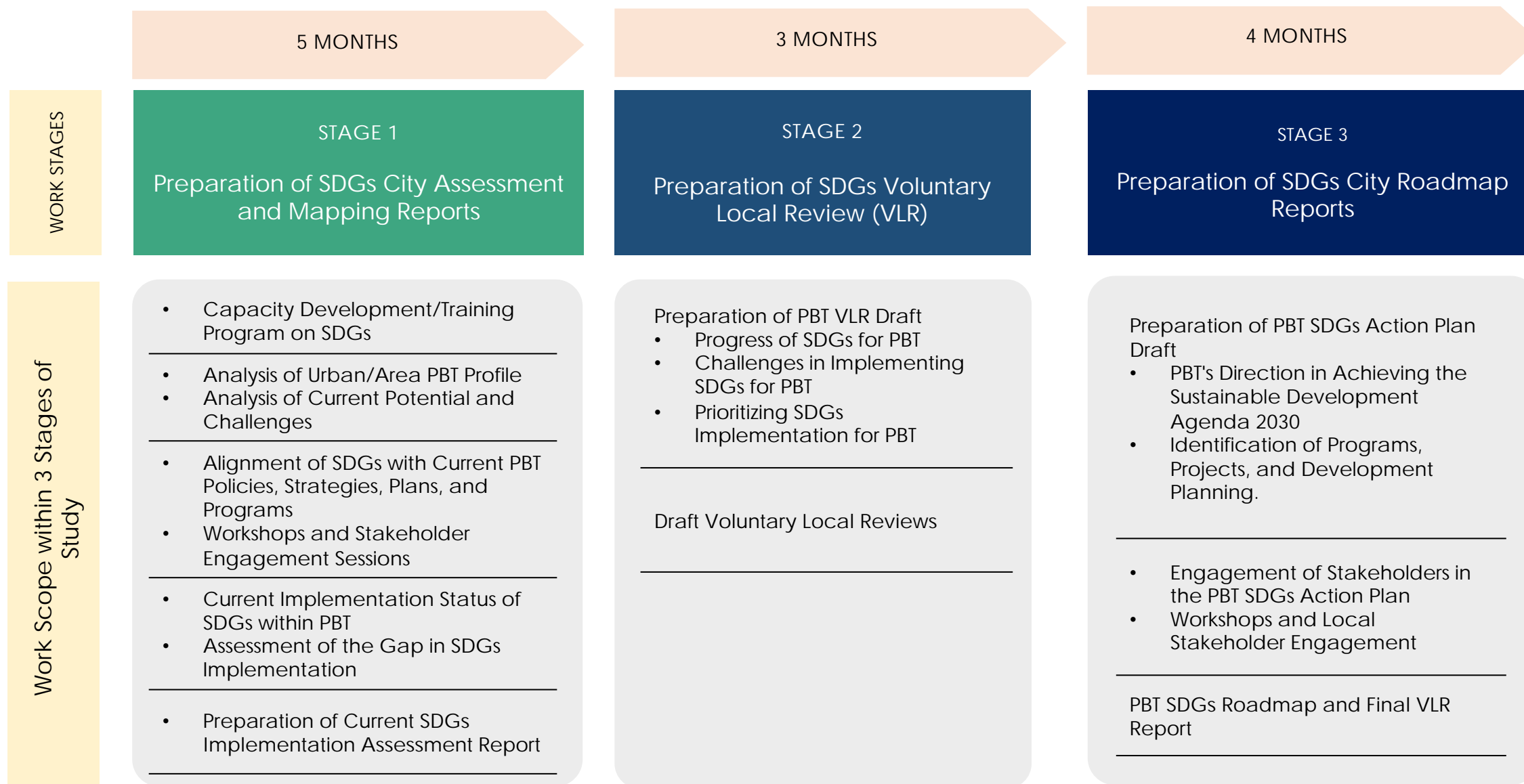


Lebih daripada 30 rakan kongsi utama menyertai rangka kerja Malaysia SDG Cities sejak penubuhannya pada 2021.

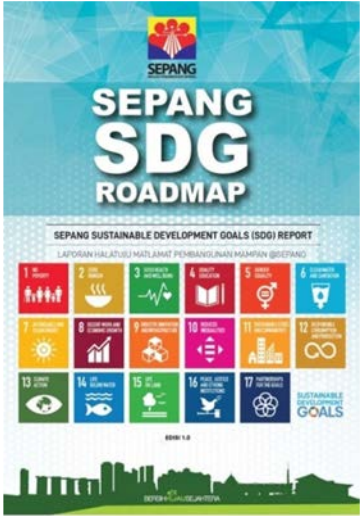
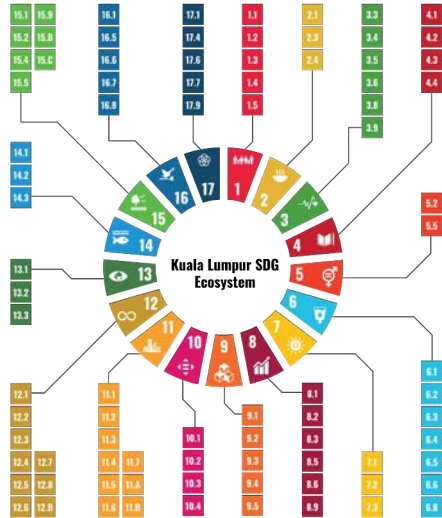
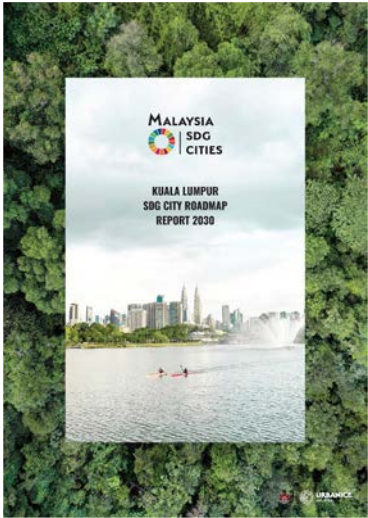




WORK SCOPE AND PROCESS



SDG ROADMAPS



KEY SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGES

Urban Poverty	Homelessness
Hunger and Malnutrition	
Epidemics & pandemic	Non-communicable disease
Skills, literacy & gender equality	
Gender balance in decision making	
Water quality and efficiency	
Renewable energy uptake	
Employability & decent jobs	Small and Medium Enterprise (SME)
Tourism receipt and tourist arrival	
Transition to clean technology	
Urban Transport (first and last mile)	
Parks, open spaces and green areas	Resilience
Recycling rate	Waste management
Climate change mitigation and adaptation	
Biodiversity assets	
Transparency, outreach and communication to community	
SDG Knowledge & capability	

17 GOALS



URGENT ACTIONS

TARGETED AND FOCUS INTERVENTION

- Urban Poverty & Vulnerability Mapping
- Upscale Community Garden And Linking To Vulnerable Communities & Schools
- Employment, Skills And Learning (ESL) Hub

MAINSTREAMING THE SDG AGENDA AT ALL LEVEL

- Sustainable Budgeting
- Gender Equality And Social Inclusive (GESI) Strategies
- Establishing the SDG Officer & Sustainability Team Under The Mayor's Office
- Capacity Strengthening To All KLCH Staffs

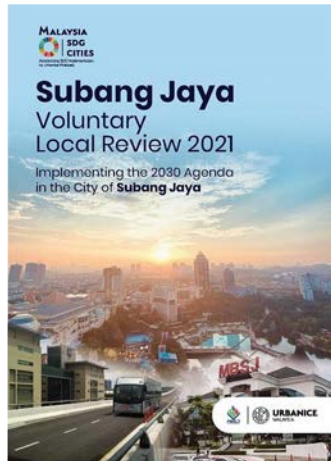
ROBUST DATA & MONITORING SYSTEM FOR THE SDGs

- Scaling Up Kuala Lumpur SDG Centre As Urban Observatory Platform
- Department Reporting of Project Relation To SDGs

EMPOWER AND SUPPORT LOCAL OWNERSHIP IN 2030 AGENDA EFFORTS

- Community Action Plan
- Prioritize and Support SDGs Effort By Local Community
- Incentives And Appreciation To Local Community That Supports 2030 Agenda

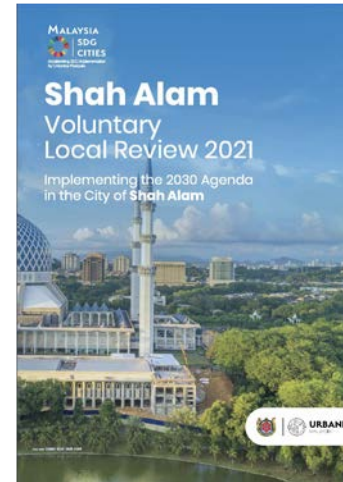
First Two Malaysian Cities to Prepare Voluntary Local Review 2021 Developed by URBANICE



Subang Jaya Voluntary Local Review 2021 – Implementing the 2030 Agenda in the City of Subang Jaya



The Subang Jaya SDG Voluntary Local Review (VLR) captures the strategies, plans, actions and allocations that has been prioritized by the city to accelerate its achievements to localized the SDGs

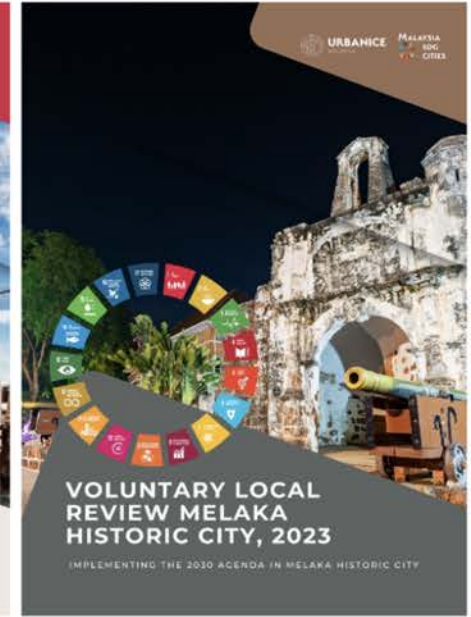
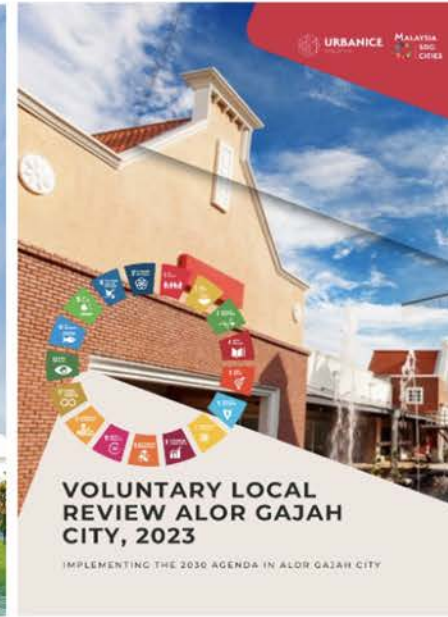
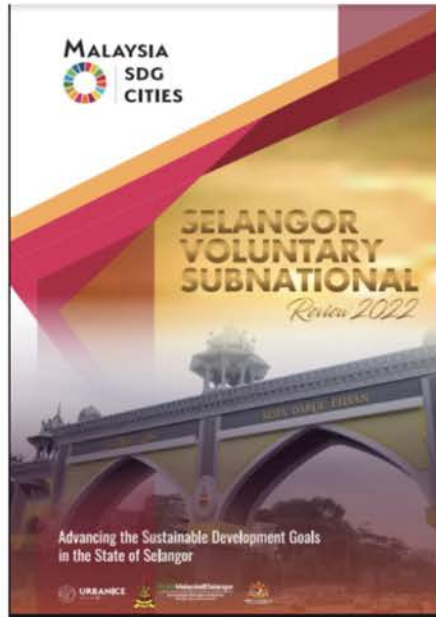


Shah Alam Voluntary Local Review 2021 – Implementing the 2030 Agenda in the City of Shah Alam



It is produced as an outcome of the Shah Alam SDG City Roadmap 2030 consultations, data analysis, translating policies into coherent action, and continuous monitoring and evaluation process - bringing the SDGs closer to the people that MBSA serve

VOLUNTARY LOCAL REVIEW AND VOLUNTARY SUB-NATIONAL REVIEW 2022-2023



The Malaysia SDG Cities Framework

3 KEY OUTCOMES for Malaysia SDG Cities



Outcome 1

Ensure Inclusive Growth and Development for All

SDG 1, SDG 2, SDG 3, SDG 4, SDG 6, SDG 7

Outcome 2

















Enhance access to quality services to address disparities

SDG 5, SDG 8, SDG 9, SDG 10, SDG 16, SDG 17

Outcome 3

Promote Environmental Sustainability to Mitigate Climate Change

SDG 11, SDG 12, SDG 13, SDG 14, SDG 15

Most Aligned	Moderately Aligned	Least Aligned
(by more than 75% of relevancy and enabling ecosystem towards KL)	(by more than 50% to 75% of relevancy and enabling ecosystem towards KL)	(By less than 50% of relevancy and enabling ecosystem towards KL)
 Sustainable Cities and Communities. 90%	 Clean Water and Sanitation 72%	 Decent Work and Economic Growth 69%
 Good Health and Well-being 81%	 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure 71%	 Gender Equality 44%
 Responsible Consumption and Production 77%	 Quality Education 70%	 Life Below Water 32%
 Zero Hunger 75%	 Climate Action 70%	 Partnerships for the Goals 65%
	 Reduced Inequalities 70%	 No Poverty 64%
	 Life on Land 63%	 Peace, Justice and Strong Institution 54%



SDG Diagnostic Report for Cities



8 SDGs for Kuala Lumpur that shows strength and readiness and these SDGs will be strengthened and strategies will be reformed for greater impact

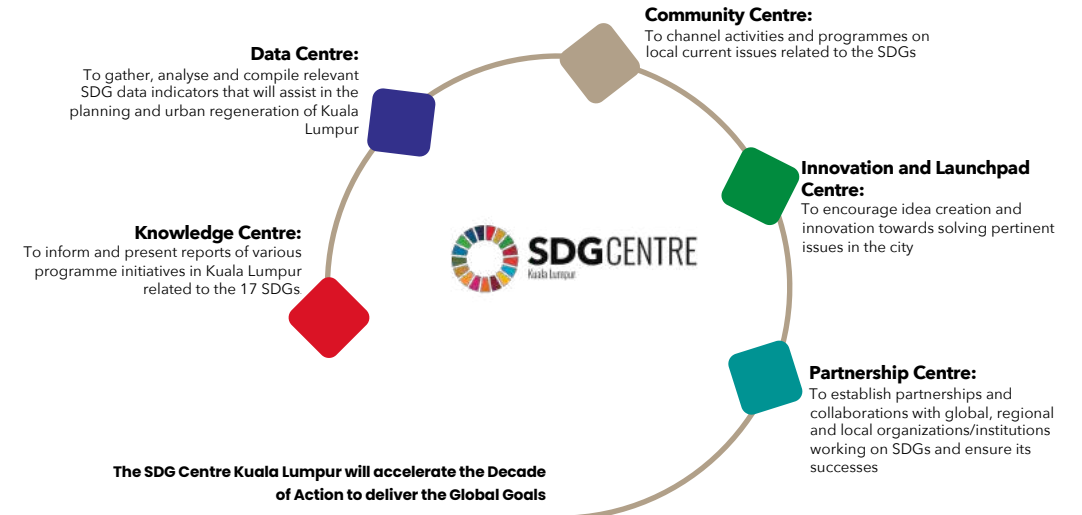


SDG CENTRE KUALA LUMPUR

A collaborative effort with KL City Hall



The 5 Key Functions of the SDG Centre



KL Library
Physical Space



Digital Twin
Platform



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