17 Months...

REPORT ON GAP ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP SURVEY RESULTS
April 2015- October 2016
October 2016
1,423 members -- 1,100 unique organizations
323 individuals
58,000 networks
**TIMELINE YEAR ONE**

April 2015 GAP Plenary 1 (Nairobi)  
GAP founded (Constitution, 14 PCGs)  
- Structure emulates UN General Assembly with elected president and vice president  
- *Nairobi Declaration* presented to Bureau  
- Identify group and functions: We are here!  
- Commit to develop common positions for NUA

June 2015  
GAP Executive Committee meets (Stockholm)  
- Habitat Secretariat invites GAP ExCO to R&T drafting committees

October 2015 GAP Plenary 2 (New York)  
Chairs Handbook approved  
- PCGs organize roadmaps  
- *New York Declaration* presented to Bureau  
- Details legacy document: focus on multi-stakeholder partnerships and developing fit-for-purpose governance architecture for 21st century urbanism

December 2015  
GAP recognized in UNGA Res 70/210

February 2016 GAP Executive Committee meets (Berlin)  
- Outline *Partnerships for the New Urban Agenda*

March 2016  
GAP Plenary 3 (Prague)  
Partnerships for New Urban Agenda  
- Membership rises to 900 unique organizations  
- 15th PCG added: Older Persons  
- GAP in opening & closing plenaries of Prague Conference  
- GAP ExCo meets with Bureau; presents outline of Partnerships
TIMELINE YEAR TWO

June 2016 Stakeholder Hearings (New York) GAP organizes one-day hearing
- PCG Chair presentations
- 40+ speakers comment on xero draft NUA
- PCGs organize GAP/PCG statements/intergovernamentals*
- Co facilitators meeting (one hour+)
  Exchange of views

June 2016 German Habitat Forum (Berlin) GAP presentation/PCG Speakers throughout

July 2016 GAP Plenary 4 (Surabaya) GAP Statements at PrepCom 3
- PCGs organize statements
- 16th PCG added: Persons with Disabilities
- Consolidated mailing list created (finally!)
- Co facilitators meeting
  Exchange of views

September 2016 NUA Draft Finalized
- Membership rises to 1,156 unique organizations – 58,000 networks – outreach est. one billion+
- GAP recognized in para 128

October 2016 GAP Plenary 5 (Quito)
- GAP PCGs organize 16 stakeholder roundtables and 4 assemblies plus innumerable other events

* GAP PCGs offer statements at intergovernmental informals in late June/July
IMPACT

How did GAP proposals fare in the NUA?

• **Advocacy**
  - OP167 – WCD, WUF
  - OP169 – WHD

• **Knowledge**
  - OP 128 – evidence based and practical guidance
  - OP129 – normative work, knowledge development, capacity development, tools
  - OP150 – STI/ TFM
  - OP157 – Science-policy interface; institutional mechanism for information / knowledge/ experience/ data-sharing
  - OP159/160 – Evidence-based data

• **Innovation**
  - OP58 – Promoting innovation/ entrepreneurship
  - OP60 – Economic growth through innovation
  - OP94 – Innovation in technology
  - OP118 – Innovation in mobility/ transport
  - OP126 – STI/ knowledge
  - OP133 – Creativity of business
  - OP150 – STI
  - OP156 – National ICT Policies/ tools
How did GAP proposals fare in the NUA?

- **Multi-stakeholder monitoring**
  - OP110 – Inclusive and transparent monitoring
  - OP151 – Capacity development of local governments in monitoring
  - OP159 – Locally generated data/ community-based monitoring; four-yearly review with civil society inputs

- **Investment advisory committee**
  - Most radical of our proposals; limited traction

**ON BALANCE** – More wins than losses; build on wins, work on losses
### Membership Survey: Who Responded?

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**36% (n.360) response rate**

**Highest responders:**
(As % of membership)
- Civil Society (57%)
- Older Persons (54%)
- Professionals (52%)
- Research/Acad (49%)
- Local Gov’t (48%)
WHAT DID THEY SAY? EXPERIENCE
WHEN I JOINED GAP

1,423 members
1,100 organizations
323 individuals

33% April to October 2015
27% October to February
32% March to June
WHAT DID THEY SAY? EXPERIENCE

Prior participation in UN Stakeholder activities

33% had never been involved before

Heard about GAP from

30% Habitat3 website

22% Professional affiliation

16% Major group communications

7% World Urban Campaign
WHAT DID THEY SAY? PENETRATION

KNOWLEDGE ABOUT GAP AND ITS ACTIVITIES

75% READ PARTNERSHIPS FOR NUA
82% READ H3 WEBSITE DESCRIPTION OF GAP
   57% READ GAP DECLARATIONS
   57% READ GAP CONSTITUTION
37% VISITED GAP/PCG ON GLOBAL URBAN COMMONS
87% Expect to be at Quito
Nature of Participation in H3 activities

- 68% contributed to local conversations about H3
- 67% participated in R&T Conferences
- 46% lobbied national government on H3 issues
- 35% attended Prep Com III
- 25% attended PrepCom II
- 22% organized an Urban Thinkers Campus
WHAT DID THEY SAY?  BENEFITS OF GAP

#1- Opportunity to contribute to New Urban Agenda (70%)
(“amplifying the voice of my PCG in the NUA and ensuring our priorities are represented”)
75% submitted feedback on NUA items – 59% viewed feedback was reflected in NUA; 48% report their organization’s activities have been affected by GAP participation/H3 preparatory activities)

#2- Access to updates regarding H3 (66%)
(80% received regular updates from PCG chairs)

#3- Networking with PCG stakeholders (55%)

#4- Giving voice to stakeholders in H3 preparatory process (54%)

#5 Having chance to contribute to H3 R&T Conferences (42%)

#6 Networking with other PCGs on H3 matters (42%)
(“understanding the views of other stakeholders and their aspirations”)
WHAT DID THEY SAY?  THE FUTURE

GAP (or a similar platform) SHOULD CONTINUE

Purposes:
82% information-sharing on NUA implementation
73% Collaboration/Coordination for NUA implementation
68% Collaborative monitoring/reporting NUA
WHAT DID THEY SAY? 

PARTICIPATION POST H3

60% Knowledge Platform

47% Advisory Committee WUF

43% Advocacy

42% Monitoring

29% Programming for WUF

32% Piloting

12% Investment advisory committee
WHAT DID THEY SAY? 

**IMPROVEMENTS**

75% More opportunities to participate in implementation activities

61% More frequent communications to all members from GAP leadership

34% More frequent communications to PCGs by PCG chairs

7% Changes to GAP Constitution
WHAT DID THEY SAY? COMMENTS

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP

“Would like to see a formal role for partner groups in UN Habitat. Past 20 years of token engagement have been more than enough.”

“Maintain political momentum for urban development Issues.”

“Capacity building”

“Empowering public leaders to implement NUA”

“Piloting of innovative urban projects and sharing of the resulting urban changes.”

FROM THE EXCO

“I believe the articulation of a common position among such a diverse group of stakeholders was unprecedented and our most important success.”

"Funding permitted participation and getting to know colleagues, Diplomats and the co-facilitators. Being part of GAP enhanced Visibility for issues…which had been left out. Important to learn from each other and be supportive of each others’ issues as well as gain the Clout of a coordinated GAP position.”
DISCUSSION