



# Africa Urban Resilience Programme (AURP)

Africa's focus on building urban resilience is an urgent, and a critical development issue. The AU's Africa Urban Resilience Programme (AURP) is providing the framework to achieve this goal.





## Background

**Africa's rapid urbanisation has intensified disaster risks, with cities increasingly vulnerable to some of the world's most severe climate and hazard impacts.**

To address these pressing issues, the **African Union Commission (AUC)**, with the financial support from the **Government of Sweden** and the technical support of the **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)** and has developed the **Africa Urban Resilience Programme (AURP)**. This robust and continent-wide framework which was designed to guide and support urban resilience initiatives across Africa, has been endorsed by AU Member States and the Executive Council.







## Impact

The programme will contribute to a **substantial reduction in urban disaster losses** in Africa. Reduced disaster losses through risk-informed interventions in an inclusive, transboundary, multidisciplinary and participatory context will support thriving socio-economic development in urban centres across Africa.



## Overall programme objective

The overall objective of the AURP is to **strengthen urban resilience** in Africa through integrated, evidence-based and risk-informed planning and practice.

















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### About Resilience Initiative Africa

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