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List of Abbreviations

ACFID	Australian Council for International Development
AHR	Adaptive housing regulations
CAHF	Centre for Affordable Housing Finance in Africa
CBOs	Community-based organisations
CDF	Comprehensive development framework
CESCR	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
CSOs	Civil society organisations
EAH	Employer-assisted housing
EU	European Union
GNI p.c	Gross national income per capita
GOV	Governance
HDI	Human Development Index
HDO	Housing Development Outcome
HFE	Housing finance
IQD	Interquartile deviation
LA	Local authority
LFK	Legal framework
MDGs	Millennium Development Goals
MHCLG	Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government
MTSF	Medium-Term Strategic Framework
NDP	National Development Plan
NGOs	Non-governmental organisations
NHA	National Housing Authority
NHP	National Housing Policy
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
PHI	Presidential Housing Initiative
PIR	Price to Income Ratio
PPP	Public–Private Partnerships
PSUP	Participatory Slum Upgrading Programme
PUSH	Programme for Urban Self-Help
RIR	Rent to Income Ratio
SCN	Stakeholders coordination
SCY	Stakeholders capacity
SDGs	Sustainable development goals
SPN	Stakeholders participation
SD	Standard deviation

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TEVET	Technical Education, Vocational and Entrepreneurship Training
UN	United Nations
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UN-Habitat	United Nations Habitat
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
WHO	World Health Organization
ZAMSIF	Zambia Social Investment Fund
ZCA	Zambia Consumer Association

Preface

Cities in developing countries are faced with housing challenges that differ from country to country. The reasons for and the nature of these challenges differ from city to city. For cities in sub-saharan African countries, the majority of residents live in squatter and unplanned settlements. As a result, most residents lack decent housing as well as access to basic services. This is due to among other factors ineffective urban planning, weak urban governance, low private sector involvement, and lack of access to affordable housing finance. Compounding this, is the fact that there are few empirical studies that have investigated and developed frameworks aimed at improving urban housing. This book provides readers with an understanding of various concepts of housing, measurement of housing development, and theories underpinning housing studies. Furthermore, an intergrated urban housing development framework is provided which focuses at improving urban housing situation in the global south.

The contribution of this book to the body of knowledge is significant in that it highlights the factors which predict urban housing development from developing countries' perspective. This provides a guide for countries in the sub-Saharan Africa where governments have limited financial resources competing among several needs besides that of providing housing. Anchored on neoliberalism this novel book argues that urban housing development is an eight-factor construct consisting of legal framework, tenure, stakeholder coordination, stakeholder participation, stakeholder capacity, adaptive housing regulations, housing finance, and governance. Using Zambia as a case study and through Delphi method, this book validated the conceptualised urban housing development framework which was developed priori based on extensive literature review.

The book outlines the role of the state in creating an enabling environment for other stakeholders to participate in the provision of affordable housing for all. This book will be of interest to researchers in the built environment, housing regulatory bodies, providers of basic services, academia, Tevet institutions, private sector actors, policy makers, non-governmental organisations, individuals and communities involved in housing development and consumption. The authors confirm that the text utilised in this work reflects original work and, where necessary, material has benefited from relevant context-setting/referencing.