



Unlocking Public and Private
Finance for the Poor

INCLUCITY

Addressing Growing Income Inequalities in Cities
Through Inclusive Local Financing



LOCAL INVESTMENTS TARGETED TO ADDRESS INEQUALITIES AND TO PROVIDE BETTER PUBLIC SERVICES AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

The programme will contribute to the commitments under **SDGs 1, 5, 9, 10 and 11** with particular focus on reducing inequalities and alleviating poverty among most vulnerable populations including women and girls through increased investments in municipal services and infrastructure.



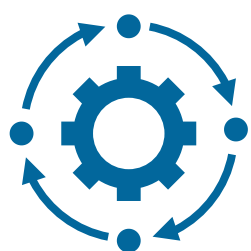
APPROACH

IncluCity will be built on UNCDF's past and current experiences in inclusive economic development and municipal financing. The programme's unique approach ties together a focus on inclusion with the investment agenda for cities. The programme will focus on the peripheries of cities with low productivity and greater inequalities and provide innovative financing solutions to address these challenges. With strong partnerships with the city mayors and municipalities, **IncluCity** will provide a comprehensive approach to city planners through technical assistance, new tools and direct financing to test innovative solutions to address growing inequalities.



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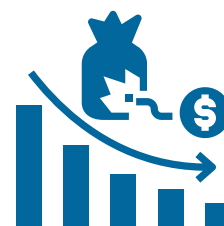
The initiative will be integrated in particular with UNCDF's **International Municipal Investment Fund (IMIF)** that aims to facilitate access to financing for local government capital investment projects on national and international financial markets. **The Malaga Global Coalition for Municipal Finance** where IMIF was originated advocates for policy reforms, regulatory changes, fiscal architecture and financial mechanisms at both global and national levels to increase financing and technical assistance for the municipalities in LDCs. **IncluCity** will also build on existing inclusive financing tools deployed by UNCDF including the gender responsive local economic assessment (LEA) and women's economic empowerment index (WEEI).



TRANSFORMING CITIES INTO SPACES OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR EVERYONE BY TARGETING THOSE WHO ARE VULNERABLE AND MARGINALIZED



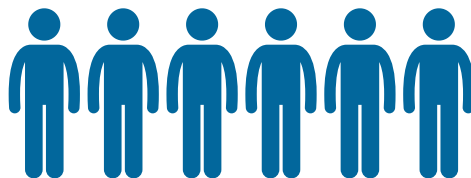
Better affordable housing, social services and income opportunities to the urban poor and vulnerable groups.



Recognizing the importance of both formal and informal economies and assessing the needs of economically excluded groups specially those residing in slums and most marginalized peripheries of the cities.



Connecting jobs with public transport and housing is an important consideration to bring a meaningful change in the lives of urban poor and excluded groups.

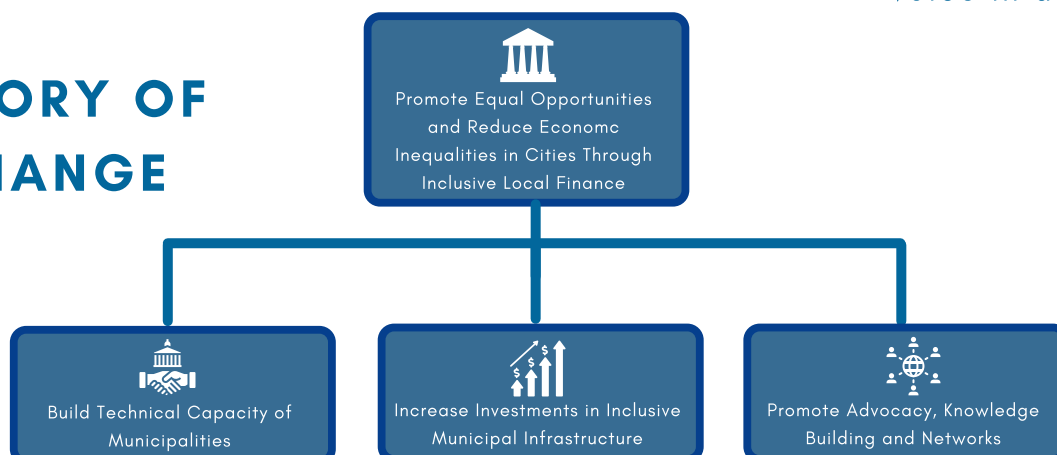


Making cities safer free of violence and inclusive through citizen engagement in decision making and governance is another important entry point.



Similarly, creating and strengthening local networks of urban groups including poor and marginalized citizens including women, migrants, elderly, disabled is essential to amplify their voice in decisions.

THEORY OF CHANGE



PROGRAMME OUTPUTS

OUTPUT 1:

Build Technical Capacity of Municipalities



- Improved technical capacity of municipalities on inclusive plans, budgets and programmes
- Assessment of selected municipality plans and budgets to identify existing gaps.
- Strengthening the role of local govt. institutions responsible for inclusion and targeting vulnerable population –e.g. women development forums (WDF)

OUTPUT 2:

Increase Investments in Inclusive Municipal Infrastructure



- Performance based grants in selected cities to deliver on inclusive economic development
- Investments in city services that support mobility, safety and security specially of youth, women, minorities e.g. bus terminals, better street lighting, paved paths for citizens with disabilities
- Investments in city housing projects to address growing inequality specially in slum areas
- Investments in city dwellers' health and well being through recreational spaces and parks, waste collection process

OUTPUT 3:

Promote Advocacy,. Knowledge Building and Networks



- Knowledge exchange and replication of model for enhanced local leadership and financing to support municipalities to achieve inclusive economic development
- Piloting New Tools (Inclusivity Index, Local Economic Assessments in Cities).
- Develop new knowledge with academia and think tanks including new research in topics such as: Marginalized group's voice and agency in urban planning and financing decisions, Innovative financing to support inclusive cities – new models
- Documenting best practices and lessons originating from the application of financing tools and technical assistance

SIZE OF THE PROGRAMME

INCLUCITY IS A **FOUR-YEAR** GLOBAL PROGRAMME THAT IS EXPECTED TO BE IMPLEMENTED DURING 2021-2024 IN SELECTED PILOT COUNTRIES IN AFRICA AND ASIA REGION. THE TOTAL PROGRAMME BUDGET IS ESTIMATED TO BE **\$10 MILLION**.

COUNTRIES



BANGLADESH



SENEGAL



UGANDA

INCLUCITY

The UN Capital Development Fund makes public and private finance work for the poor in the world's 46 least developed countries (LDCs).

UNCDF offers "last mile" finance models that unlock public and private resources, especially at the domestic level, to reduce poverty and support local economic development.

UNCDF pursues innovative financing solutions through: (1) financial inclusion, which expands the opportunities for individuals, households, and small and medium-sized enterprises to participate in the local economy, while also providing differentiated products for women and men so they can climb out of poverty and manage their financial lives; (2) local development finance, which shows how fiscal decentralization, innovative municipal finance, and structured project finance can drive public and private funding that underpins local economic expansion, women's economic empowerment, climate adaptation, and sustainable development; and (3) a least developed countries investment platform that deploys a tailored set of financial instruments to a growing pipeline of impactful projects in the "missing middle".



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