# Proposal Summary Kenya Baseline "State of the City" Survey

## Sub-Saharan Africa - Kenya

The urban transition is well under way in Kenya and urbanization is projected to continue at a rapid pace. It is estimated that urban areas will account for 45 percent of the population or 16.5 million people by 2015, and for 54 percent of the population or 23.6 million people by 2030. The urban transition in Kenya will play an important role in determining the country's growth prospects and social stability. However, Kenyan cities are not currently able to meet the rapidly growing demands of residents and firms for services because they are suffering from major infrastructure bottlenecks, weak finances, and poor management. The government is convinced that transformation of municipal management will require deeper institutional reforms and much more intensive training and capacity building in finance, participatory planning, project management, and service delivery. It is also acutely aware of the infrastructure shortfalls and the need to step up capital investment in these municipalities. For this reason, this project supports a comprehensive and systematic program for enhancing the capacity of urban municipalities and improving local service delivery.

### **Summary**

To address the issues, the government of Kenya has requested the World Bank, Sida, and the AFD (hereafter referred to as development partners) for assistance in bringing about a systematic transformation of the urban and local government sector in the country. The development partners are currently preparing three related programs to in support of the government's objectives. These are the Kenya Municipal Program (KMP), with the Ministry of Local Government as lead agency (scheduled for World Bank Board approval on April 29, 2010); the Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Program (KISIP), a multi-sector operation with Ministry of Housing as lead agency (scheduled for World Bank Board approval in October 2010); and Nairobi Metropolitan Services Project (NMSP), a multi-sector operation with Ministry for Nairobi's Metropolitan Development as lead agency (scheduled for World Bank Board approval in July 2011).

**Objectives** Activities

The objective of the proposed Cities Alliance grant is to produce baselines of the demographic, infrastructure, economic, and management profile of seven of the fifteen large Kenyan cities participating in the Kenya Municipal Program. Financing from development partners will be used to prepare this baseline in the remaining eight cities.

The findings of the surveys are expected to be presented in a variety of formats, including a main report summarizing the data from all seven cities, detailed city-specific reports, and a two-page summary of key data called "State of the City" to allow readers to guickly compare the situation across municipalities.

The methodology involves fourth major tasks. The first is to identify the relevant information that is already available from primary sources on the demographic, economic, and infrastructure profile of cities to be covered. The second is to develop and administer a representative household survey to fill the data gaps. The third is to analyze the data and compile the results. The fourth is to analyze the data in collaboration with universities to explore a variety of questions on urban development.

Submission		
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Implementation		
Implemented by: World Bank CA Monitor:		

Budget and Time				
Request to CA: Co-Financing: Total Budget:	\$ 500,000 \$ 650,000 \$ 1,150,000	<b>Duration:</b> months		

### **Expected Impacts**

#### A. Outcomes

- 1) Baseline prepared that together with the results of follow up surveys will allow for assessment of the effectiveness of the KMP, KISIP, and NMSP in meeting their objectives;
- 2) Deeper understanding of the cities' growth dynamics and specific challenges to improving delivery of services and quality of life for residents, which is essential to preparing city development strategies; 3) Creation of a stronger empirical basis for dialogue among stakeholders and for design of interventions to promote good governance and improve service delivery.

#### B. Indicators

1) Production of city development strategies, drawing on input from the surveys; 2) Stakeholders, including the World Bank, using the reports and data in their dialogue with the government and others, measured by reports in the media clicks on the website; 3) Researchers using the data, measured by the number of peer-reviewed journal articles that cite the data within five years of its release.



Application Summary

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