



Cities Alliance
Cities Without Slums

Ghana

Land, Services and Citizenship for the Urban Poor

A Country Partnership Programme



Programme Objectives

- 1) Citizenship:** slum dweller households actively engage in both securing their rights and honouring their responsibilities through improved urban governance and formalization.
- 2) Access to Services:** slum dweller households improve their qualitative and quantitative access to municipal services.
- 3) Effective and Efficient Inclusive Development:** The Government in partnership with stakeholders develops effective and efficient inclusive urban development policies and strategies enabling the better management of future urban growth positively affecting the lives of slum dweller households nationwide.

Guiding Principles

- ❖ Maximum national and local government ownership.
- ❖ Active inclusion of urban poor/slum dwellers in all planning and decision making processes.
- ❖ Programme implementation through stakeholder partnerships.
- ❖ Alignment of national, municipal and community structures such that they operate as an integrated whole.
- ❖ Alignment with existing initiatives such that good practice is strengthened and identified “gaps” are filled.

Why Ghana?

- ❖ **Nascent government institutional leadership:**
Urban Development Unit (UDU) established within MLGRD
- ❖ **Dynamic CA membership:** AFD, GIZ, Habitat for Humanity, SDI, UN-HABITAT and the World Bank. Plus other international partners and strong Ghanaian partners
- ❖ **An emerging political policy process in need of support:** “evictions” real or threatened have galvanised a healthy national debate

Partners

Key Partners

- **Ministry of Local Government & Rural Dev't**
- **GIZ**
- **Institute of Local Government Studies**
- **Metropolitan and Municipal Assemblies**
- **Communities mobilized and empowered through SDI**

Support Partners

- **National Universities**

Aligned Partners

- **World Bank**
- **AFD**
- **UN-HABITAT**
- **Habitat for Humanity**
- **CHF International**
- **Millennium Cities Initiative**
- **ESMAP**

Intervention Areas

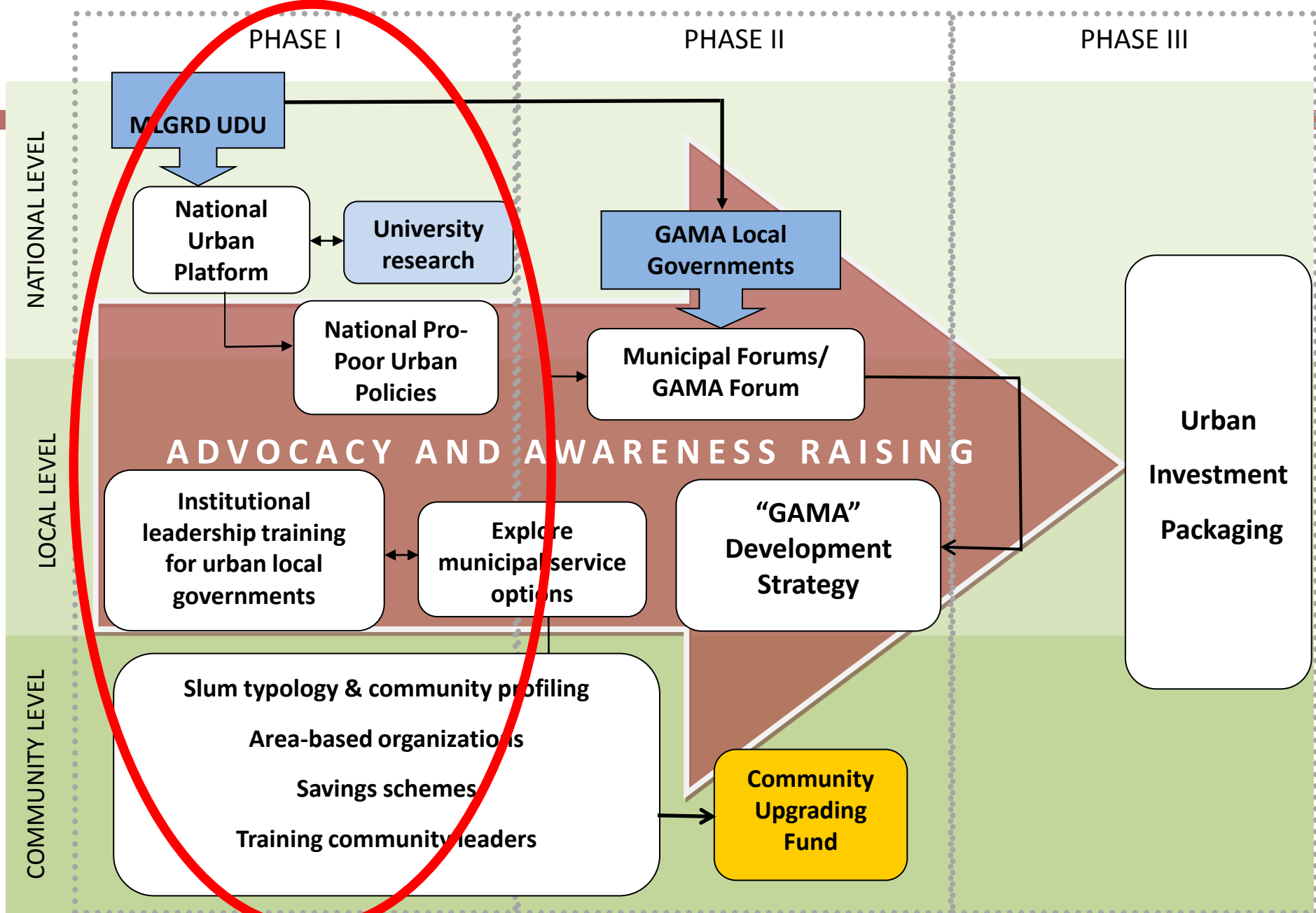
❖ **National, Municipal, Community**

❖ **Depth and width**

- ❑ Focus on Greater Accra Metropolitan Area (“GAMA”) = 8 municipalities
- ❑ Links into wider municipal programming nationwide – GIZ Urban Back Up Initiative, AFD investments in 4 secondary cities, World Bank Local Gov’t Capacity Support Project

Components

- ❖ **National Government Level:** support the GoG as it develops, in partnership with stakeholders, a national urban agenda focused on inclusive urban development policies and strategies.
- ❖ **Local Government Level:** deepen the knowledge base and strengthen the capacity of urban local governments and other urban stakeholders to develop inclusive, sustainable cities.
- ❖ **Community Level:** mobilise communities of the urban poor so they can engage effectively with local and national governments



PHASE I

PHASE II

PHASE III

NATIONAL LEVEL

LOCAL LEVEL

COMMUNITY LEVEL

MLGRD UDU

National Urban Platform

University research

National Pro-Poor Urban Policies

GAMA Local Governments

Municipal Forums/GAMA Forum

ADVOCACY AND AWARENESS RAISING

Institutional leadership training for urban local governments

Explore municipal service options

"GAMA" Development Strategy

Urban Investment Packaging

Slum typology & community profiling
 Area-based organizations
 Savings schemes
 Training community leaders

Community Upgrading Fund



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