

Proposal Summary

Central African Republic Towards Sustainable Urban Management: Improving Bangui City Perform CDS, SU

Sub-Saharan Africa - Central African Republic

Summary	The Central African Republic is a landlocked country with an estimated population of 4,407,000 inhabitants in 2008, with a population growth rate of 2.5%. The population is very young, with 49.4% of Central Africans aged below 18. The level of urban amenities in Bangui is very low and its urban management is handicapped by the lack of vertical coordination (between government, the city council, districts and neighborhood heads), horizontal coordination (between the municipalities of metropolitan Bangui) and inter-sectoral coordination (between the different ministries involved). Over the last few years, the government has invested in basic infrastructures such as drainage, roads, potable water and solid waste management facilities. Without maintenance, these infrastructures will fail to produce sustainable urban services. Preparing a priority management plan is thus of the essence.
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Objectives	Activities
The overarching goal is to build the capacity of the Bangui municipality to ensure sustainable management of its development and efficient and sustainable supply of public amenities to the inhabitants of the capital City and its outlying areas, thereby maintaining urban hygiene and sanitation. The specific objectives are to: 1. Conduct organizational, financial and operational audits of the Bangui and Bimbo municipalities; 2. Design a priority maintenance program, taking into account urban resources and proceeds; 3. Enhance administrative and financial management and the role of the urban task manager, by drawing up a manual of procedures and training staff; 4. Clarify the responsibilities of central government, the metropolitan city council and the district councils by a city contract to ensure more efficient supply of services to citizens.	The planned methodology combines an organizational strengthening, institutional development and coaching and mentoring approach. The project will use a participatory approach through a series of stakeholder consultations during each component of the intervention. Participatory workshops will be held for components 2, 3 and 4 to involve and engage the people or their representatives in the implementation of the intervention: There are five inter-connected components: 1. Organizational, financial and operational audit of the Bangui City Council and the Bimbo City Council; 2. Preparation of a priority maintenance program (PMP); 3. Development of a city contract; 4. Building the management capacities of the Bangui and Bimbo municipal administrations; 5. Coordination

Submission		Implementation	Budget and Time	
Submitted by: City of Bangui (CAR)	CA Sponsor: Agence Française de Développement (AfD); European Union; World Bank	Implemented by: World Bank CA Monitor: Andrea Zeman	Request to CA: \$ 301,750 Co-Financing: \$ 581,600 Total Budget: \$ 883,350	Duration: 24 months

Expected Impacts
1.) Tools to help in taking simple decisions that can be used for the day-to-day management of urban and municipal issues 2.) Better vertical and horizontal coordination 3.) Improved capacity of municipal stakeholders to manage their responsibilities