

Proposal Summary

Global City Indicators Facility

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Summary	The Global City Indicators Facility (GCIF) is positioned to be the definitive and authoritative compilation of validated, self-reported, worldwide urban data. For the first time a database hosting globally comparative city data based upon a globally standardized methodology provides a platform for comparative global research. This Facility also provides a solid base for evidence-based policy and management at the local level to build more sustainable cities, and can serve as a supportive database for the World Bank's Knowledge Platform on Urbanization. This proposal to Cities Alliance seeks support for the on-going work of the Global City Indicators Facility. More specifically, it seeks to build a partnership between Cities Alliance and GCIF that will support the vision of the Knowledge Platform on Urbanization. In addition, a Cities Alliance-GCIF partnership will enable a working group charged with improving on an evolving cluster of city metrics in the field of slums, upgrading and urban poverty.
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Objectives	Activities
<p>OBJECTIVE ONE: Continue to Grow the GCIF Membership</p> <p>OBJECTIVE TWO: Raise GCIF Profile - Data Analysis and Policy Reports</p> <p>OBJECTIVE THREE: Expand Indicators and Ensure Data Quality</p> <p>OBJECTIVE FOUR: Improve the GCIF online database for members</p>	<p>Strategy 1: Approach city networks at the global, regional and national level and attend global, regional, national and city networking events</p> <p>Strategy 2: City-to-city outreach</p> <p>Strategy 3: Media Campaign</p> <p>Strategy 4: Targeted Speaking Events</p> <p>Strategy 5: Data Analysis, Policy Briefs, Newsletters</p> <p>Strategy 6: Regional and Global Symposia</p> <p>Strategy 7: Expand Strategic Partnerships</p> <p>Strategy 8: Data Verification</p> <p>Strategy 9: Expanding and Refining Indicators</p> <p>Strategy 10: Data Visualization</p> <p>Strategy 11: Online Forum (Social Media)</p>

Submission		Implementation	Budget and Time	
Submitted by: Global City Indicators Facility	CA Sponsor: World Bank	Implemented by: Global City Indicators Facility CA Monitor:	Request to CA: \$ 100,000 Co-Financing: \$ 50,000 Total Budget: \$ 150,000	Duration: 12 months

Expected Impacts
The outcomes and impacts (results) expected to be achieved by GCIF within the next 3 to 5 years are: 1. Achieving our membership goal of 1000 member cities reporting by 2015 (Annual monitoring reports on target achievement) 2. Achieving International Organization for Standardization (ISO) Certification A Global City Indicator Standard within the framework of the ISO will be developed over the next two years to ensure that there is a consistent and standardized Global City Indicators methodology. Such a standard will include guidance on measuring, monitoring, and independently verifying the indicators to support the collection and reporting of complete, accurate, valid, and credible data in developed and developing countries. ISO standards are based on international consensus from the broadest possible base of stakeholder groups. Standards are developed by consensus under strict rules that ensure transparency and robust technical content (Annual reporting on progress with ISO-Geneva Office). 3. Having the GCIF positioned as the definitive and authoritative compilation of validated, self-reported, worldwide urban data with cities contributing through this free, collaborative, and multilingual online, standardized database. The GCIF will have become the leading global knowledge forum on city metrics (Annual reporting on city indicators reports being released, city member users, tracking of on-line website activities/users, city yearbooks and other reports on metrics such as GCIF Policy Snapshots) 4. Improvement of the urban metrics associated with the work of Cities Alliance (Bi-annual reports of proposed Cities Alliance- GCIF Working Group on key indicators selected and new methodologies developed). 5. Provision of ongoing assistance to the Cities Alliance in their contribution to the World Bank's Urbanization Knowledge Platform (First Report on potential synergies identified, second report on results).

