

Sustainable Urban Development (DUS)

Context

The world is changing, and cities are at the heart of the process. In Brazil, 85% of the population lives in urban areas and by 2050 this figure could reach 91%. Brazil's urban reality goes beyond geographical and climatic diversity; these are territories characterized by considerable socio-economic and spatial inequalities.

While a small part of society has access to areas with functional infrastructure, private services and high-standard housing, the low-income population is often displaced to the outskirts and lives in neighborhoods with precarious infrastructure, low access to essential services, without land regularization or adequate housing. In addition, these people are more vulnerable to extreme events such as droughts, floods or water crises, events that tend to intensify as a result of climate change.

Urban transformation demands new ways of thinking and creating the city from people, companies and governments. The complexity of the urban environment encourages co-creation and collaboration in search of solutions based on interaction between its different players. We need to look for effective, innovative, sustainable and replicable solutions capable of improving people's quality of life.

The lack of integration between the different sectors that make up cities (urban mobility, housing, basic sanitation, culture, leisure, green areas, essential services, etc.) accentuates the historical social inequalities found in Brazil and evidenced in the problems caused by climate change. To achieve this, it is necessary to change the paradigm of urban development to create resilient and sustainable cities.

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promoting integrated urban development focused on the citizen, based on the integration of relevant sectors in the city, national, state and municipal actors and territories, in order to enable inclusive, resilient, prosperous and sustainable urbanization.

Objective

The project's objective is for actors at the federal, state and municipal level to implement coordinated strategies for sustainable urban development, including climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies.

Approach

In partnership with the Ministry of Cities (MCID), the project aims to promote the integration of urban sectors and agents to develop solutions that improve the quality of life in cities, especially for vulnerable groups in society, through integrated urban development. The Sustainable Urban Development (DUS) project

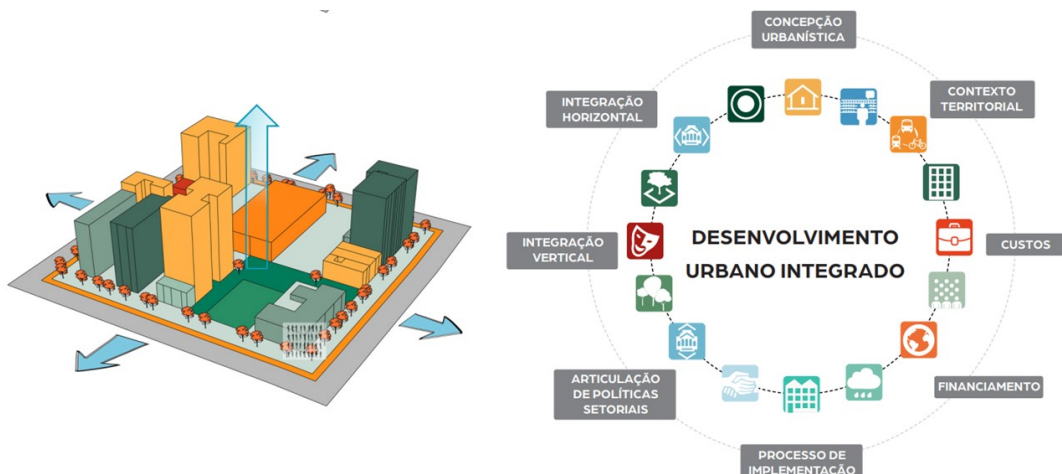




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aims to promote good governance, contributing to social cohesion.

The Sustainable Urban Development (DUS) project has the following specific objectives and expected results:

- Select, in partnership with the MCID, demonstration projects aimed at integrated, inclusive and climate resilient urban development, for implementation with support from the project;
- Support the improvement of national support and financing instruments for integrated urban development adopted by the MCID to include approaches to intersectoral and interfederative cooperation, social inclusion and climate resilience;
- Disseminate and offer formats for the transfer of knowledge among actors in integrated, inclusive and climate-resilient urban development with a focus on networking and skills development;
- Contribute to expanding the technical competence of the professionals directly involved, both at national and local level, and promote learning between municipalities and awareness of the importance of integrated approaches.

In addition, the project considers aspects of integrated, citizen-centered urban development, as well as cross-cutting themes such as gender, human rights and climate protection, in instruments of

Brazilian institutions relevant to urban planning.

Impacts

The implementation of demonstration projects on the theme of integrated urban development in six pilot cities is part of achieving the objectives of the Sustainable Urban Development (DUS) project. The cities must implement these projects in cooperation between the municipal administration, the national administration and non-state actors, in order to integrate two or more urban sectors to promote climate resilience and social inclusion. Of these cities, two will have gender equality actions as an explicit objective.

The six pilot municipalities will draw up and present, with the support of the project, a financing plan for integrated, inclusive and climate-resilient urban development to be submitted to programs of the Ministry of Cities and other possible sources of funding. The impacts at municipal level will also include 20 multiplier cities that will apply integrated urban development approaches focused on citizens and the fight against climate change. This knowledge transfer will be based on MCID instruments, technical capacity building and networking, using the Network for Sustainable Urban Development (ReDUS) platform as the main platform for collaborative urbanism.

At the national level, support is expected for the inclusion of intersectoral and interfederative cooperation, social inclusion and

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