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Join this inclusive and hands-on event where successful case studies and opportunities to develop new projects will be presented in addition to panel discussions and information sessions, with the participation of state ministers, mayors, representatives and executives of international organizations, development agencies, academics, and experts.

The objective will be to share best practices in sustainable development, promote the transfer and adaptation of technologies and knowledge applied to climate funding issues, as well as women's leadership in the development of the region.

DAY 1

Within the framework of Sustainable Development, the first day will feature presentations and panel discussions on urban development in medium-sized Brazilian cities, including success stories from the municipalities of Itajaí, Vila Velha, and Recife. Authorities from the federal government will honor the audience with a presentation on sectoral priorities for international financing of subnational governments.

Additionally, there will be a presentation on the limits of guarantees and sectoral priorities for international funding of subnational governments, to be promoted by the Ministry of Planning, and another one on possible changes to the resolutions and regulations of COFIEX in terms of project analysis criteria and COFIEX internal regime.

DAY 2

During the session on Sustainable Urban Development, representatives of development agencies will discuss the promotion of urban sustainability and the importance of measuring climate risks in sustainable projects. Likewise, municipal authorities and international experts will discuss data management issues of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in integration projects. Finally, under Gender and Diversity, the discussion will be on the importance of incorporating gender perspective in the design and planning of public works, so that cities are inclusive and work for the whole population.

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Itajaí Success Story

The Program “ITAJAÍ: Modern and Sustainable” included structuring actions for sustainable urban development focused on road connectivity, mobility, and drainage, aiming at improving the quality of life of the city's inhabitants.

Its direct benefits were the elimination of flooded areas and the reduction of travel time due to the building of bridges and new roads, thus improving economic activity in the areas surrounding the new roads and boosting the real-estate sector.

Recife Success Story

Recently, the city of Recife went through a major environmental disaster due to heavy rains that caused material damage and human losses. In response, a program was developed to increase resilience to environmental disasters by mapping areas under flooding and landslide risk and providing protective measures for the most vulnerable areas.

With the aid of an external funding agency – the Inter-American Development Bank – urban infrastructure works were carried out in areas of informal urbanization, where the city's poorest population resides.

Vila Velha Success Story

The main objective of the Urban Redevelopment and Environmental Improvement Program is to better the quality of life of the population located in neighborhoods with infrastructure deficit.

The social and environmental impact of the program has been highly positive. Interventions such as the integration of road corridors and the expansion of leisure areas and recreational sectors prevented flooding and recovered environmental parks and landscaped areas.

The Program, which also boosted tourism, was strategic in raising additional resources from state and local banks within the framework of participatory and innovative municipal management.

Gender and Diversity

This panel will discuss the importance of redesigning and planning cities with the needs of the entire population in mind, focusing on incorporating gender perspective in the design and planning of public works, so that cities are inclusive and work for the whole population.

The panel will answer questions on why it is important to incorporate gender perspective in the design and execution of works in cities, how to design cities that work for all, how to promote inclusive and participatory approaches in the design of cities, among others.

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