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Resilient Bolivian Cities

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Bolivian cities' exposure to natural hazards – mainly floods, flash floods and landslides - in combination with rapid unplanned urbanization is a huge issue: Bolivia has the second highest economic risk exposure to multiple hazards worldwide. To improve resilience of its cities, the government has identified key challenges it needs to address.

Accordingly, the government is improving the policy frame and scaling up investment approaches and tools to increase resilience. The project will support the two municipalities Santa Cruz and La Paz and the central Government in this quest. Additionally, and in response to the current COVID-19 pandemic, counterpart institutions for disaster risk management will build capacities for crisis response at the short term and strengthen preparedness at the longer term.

Overall goal

The overall objective is to mainstream resilience into infrastructure investments and urban planning at the national and local levels. Additionally, sustainability of infrastructure built through an associated World Bank loan will be strengthened. The project's first component will improve risk monitoring and prevention, implemented by the municipalities of La Paz and Santa Cruz. The second component diversifies and increases financing for resilience measures, implemented by the ministry of planning. The third component, implemented by urban vice-ministry, supports the improvement of national policies for urban resilience and the replication of good practices. Additional accompanying measures will ensure integration of internationally acknowledged Swiss expertise and Swiss innovation. Flexibility in the project approach allows for adjusting activities to changing priorities. This is required because of Bolivia's political instabilities and the current COVID-19 pandemic.

Outcomes

- Project municipalities have increased their capacity to mainstream resilience and Disaster Risk Management approach into urban planning, and construction, operation and maintenance of public infrastructure
- Project municipalities and the National Government have established frame conditions for the diversification of financing sources for resilience
- The National Government has enhanced Bolivian cities' knowledge of risks and developed tools and regulations for improving resilience at the local level

Key outputs

- Institutional DRM framework established in Santa Cruz and resilience standards for supervision of public works improved.
 - Local hazard/risk information enhanced and Early Warning Systems improved and expanded.
 - Citizen engagement framework for investments in infrastructure and resilience interventions established.
 - Understanding of key risk and vulnerability factors in project municipalities enhanced.
 - Understanding of framework and opportunities to increase financing for investments in resilience in project municipalities improved.
 - Improvement of national planning budgeting tools for risk reduction and resilience supported
 - Urban resilience approach streamlined into National Policy on Integral City Development and framework for implementation developed
 - Understanding of key gaps in regulatory framework for resilient infrastructure improved
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Data sheet Overview

SECO priority theme:

Climate-friendly growth

Country or region:

Bolivia

Credit region:

South

SECO contribution: 4,900,000.00 CHF

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Total project/program budget:

75,000,000.00 USD

Contract Partner:

International Development Association

PSP Attributes

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Contract Partner:	International Development Association
Section:	WEIN
Economic sector:	Infrastructure general (1.01)
Instrument:	Funding Grants/Infrastructure
Framework credit:	South 2017-2020, Fed. Decree 26-Sep-16
Cooperation modality:	x bailleurs de fonds dont la Suisse (<50%)
Country:	Bolivia
Sub-region:	—
Region:	South America
Continent:	America
Geographical focus:	DDC Complementary
Credit region:	South
5 Priority themes:	Climate-friendly growth
Enviroment:	Not targeted
Technical cooperation:	Free standing knowledge transfer
Good governance:	Significant
Gender:	Significant
Bio diversity DAC:	Not targeted
Climate change mitigation:	Significant
Climate change adptation:	Principal
Desertification:	Not targeted
	Climate change 25 %
Business Line:	Integrated urban development