Cities Network: Learning and Scale-up
FUTURE CITIES AFRICA

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Cities Without Slums

LEARN

1 Assess
Rapid City Resilience Assessment (RCRA)

- 2 day workshop with diverse stakeholders: 40 participants, all sectors
- RCRA: 100 criteria – 5-level rating scale
- Rate and colour code all 100 RCRA criteria (scorecard)
- Capture & prioritise Issues, Solutions, Key Insights in each city.

2 Identify
Identify priority issues and solutions across all cities, and all countries
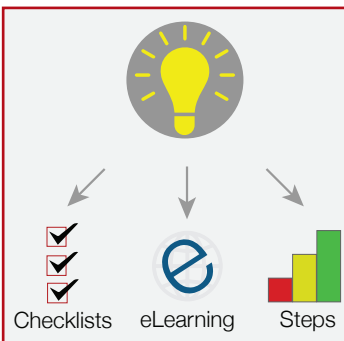
- Benchmark colour-coded results in a scorecard for all criteria across all cities
- Crowdsource cross-cutting priorities from cities
- Identify cross-cutting Issues and Key Insights
- Identify "Positive Deviants" which are scalable solutions delivering exceptional value
- Identify priority Service Areas and Issues.

3 Convene
Experienced Practitioners to harvest their Service Area knowledge and experience
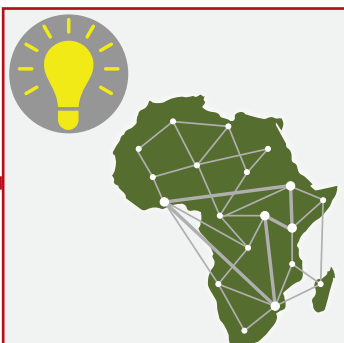
- For each priority Service Area, identify a seasoned expert to convene a community of practice
- Convene workshops with community of practice of effective practitioners
- Facilitate discussion to understand root causes, clarify principles and pinpoint solutions
- Knowledge curator(s) attend workshop to capture raw insights and to identify research questions.

4 Curate
Capture re-usable solutions in scalable tools and knowledge products

Checklists   eLearning   Steps

- Curators turn know-how of practitioners and research findings into knowledge products
- Checklists for identifying missing pieces and avoiding pitfalls
- Maturity models for assessing developmental progress
- Know-how and research turned into tools for on-the-job and action learning.

5 Scale-up
Scale-up through M&E, performance management, elearning & action learning

- The knowledge products are mainstreamed or up-scaled
- Checklists used to avoid common pitfalls even without an expert
- Maturity models built-into M&E and performance management for on-the-job learning
- Know-how and re-usable solutions included in action learning and elearning to deliver expertise and to scale at low cost.

RCRA ASSESSMENT

City Resilience Ratings

1.1	The city undertakes strategic planning		
1.2	The city has capacity to prepare and implement plans		
1.3	Planning process is participatory and transparent		
1.4	City plans are effectively implemented		
1.5	City plans cover main problems faced by city		

Rapid Cities Resilience Assessment captures ratings on a five level scale and: Issues, Solutions and Key Insights.

RCRA SCORECARD

Compare ratings across cities.
Red rows indicates need for FCA support.
Green rating on a red row indicates a city may have solutions to learn from.

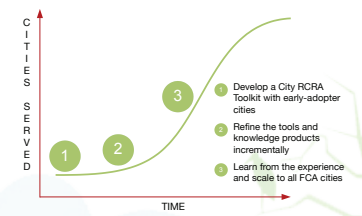### KNOWLEDGE DISCOVERY WORKSHOP

Convene experienced practitioners to identify key principles and pinpoint solutions. Researchers identify research questions.

CURATE KNOWLEDGE

Organise and systematise expert principles and solutions to create re-usable knowledge products such as checklists, elearning and M&E templates.

MANAGED SCALE-UP

CITIES SERVED
TIME

1   2   3
- Develop a City RCRA Toolkit with early-adopter cities
- Refine the tools and knowledge products incrementally
- Learn from the experience and scale to all FCA cities

Scale-up through testing, refinement and re-use of tools. Large-scale deployment through elearning and online M&E and Performance Management tools.

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