Burkina Faso - Mainstreaming Resilience in Urban Management, Mobility Infrastructure, and Services

**Country**
Burkina Faso

**ACP-EU Disaster Risk Management Program Component**
Improve urban resilience in Central, Eastern and Western African cities

**Amount approved**
€260,500 / $280,000

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11/2023 – 12/2025

**Context and Objectives**
Burkina Faso is a low-income country with a rapidly growing population while climate projections point to increased instances of drought, extreme heat and flooding. Urban areas including secondary cities are particularly vulnerable due to the expansion of informal settlements in flood basins and limited hydraulic infrastructure – a process exacerbated by political instability in the country and a rise in internally displaced people.

The objective of this project is to enhance the capacity of Burkina Faso’s central government and city authorities to better integrate resilience into urban development and urban mobility plans.

**Main Activities and Expected Results**

*Assessing climate and disaster risk to inform three secondary cities’ urban mobility and urban development investments*
This activity assesses current and projected climate and disaster risks – such as floods and extreme heat in Bobo Dioulasso, Kaya and Ouahigouya to identify climate and disaster risk ‘hotspots’ where physical areas and their inhabitants and infrastructure assets are exposed and vulnerable.

*Expected Results:*
- Improved understanding of the climate and disaster risks affecting urban areas and infrastructure.
- Enhanced capacity to identify appropriate climate resilient urban mobility and urban development mechanisms.

*Improving urban and peri-urban resilience mechanisms towards resilient urban mobility and urban development*
This activity is building the technical capacity of national and local government through the development of guidance on the integration of climate resilience considerations into urban mobility and urban development plans. The objective is to empower authorities to act to on the risks identified under the first activity.

*Expected Results:*
- Improved knowledge and capacity to develop and enforce comprehensive resilient urban development and urban mobility planning.
- Enhanced technical capacity for disaster risk management, planning, engineering and design, operations and maintenance, and contingency programming surrounding public infrastructure.

*Enhancing technical capacity of three secondary cities to empower them to pursue comprehensive investment programs that achieve climate resilient urban mobility and urban development*
Building on the climate and disaster risk assessments, this activity identifies climate and disaster risk ‘hotspots’ in each city, assists in the selection of areas of intervention, and assists in the design of climate resilience measures.
Expected Result:

- Improved knowledge and capacity to develop and enforce comprehensive resilient urban development and urban mobility planning.

**Scaling climate resilient urban mobility and urban planning to other secondary cities in Burkina Faso**

This component develops an intervention framework and methodology for integrating climate resilience measures into urban mobility and development planning, including the investment in and management of mobility infrastructure and services.

**Expected Result:**

- Improved knowledge to integrate climate resilience measures into urban mobility

**Partnerships and Coordination**

The World Bank implements the project in close coordination with the Ministry of Transport, Urban Mobility and Road Safety, and the Ministry of Urban Planning, Land Affairs and Housing; the World Bank team coordinates its efforts with the EU Delegation in Burkina Faso. The project also complements ongoing work by the French Development Agency (AFD) on sustainable urban development.