Strategy for an enabling environment on FSM in the French speaking cities

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Context

AIMF Network: More than 300 hundred members, 52 Countries, 130 Millions inhabitants

- Political and institutional level + on the ground activities

- ISSV Partnership between the AIMF and the BMGF,
- Directly supporting French-speaking Municipalities
- Targeting local contribution to the SDGs
- 15 pilot projects in 3 priority sectors:
  - Fecal Sludge Management
  - Family Planning
  - Emergency preparation
Project content

FSM Municipal Strategy and enabling environment

- **8 cities** selected for their political commitment
- Supported on **PHASE 1**: FSM planning, regulations framework, municipal services, fund raising.

- **Yaoundé**, Cameroon (1/8) also directly supported for **PHASE 2**:
  - FSTP construction
  - Private sector development and regulation
  - Households access to sanitation improvement

- Initial **2,2 M$** investment for 8 cities
Step 1: Local assessment of the FSM sector

A prerequisite for the Strategy

- **Zoning** of sanitation facilities
- **Characterization** of fecal sludge
- **Stakeholders** analysis: public, private, third sector
- Financial, organizational and institutional outline of current FSM.
Step 2: Municipal FSM strategic planning

An operational, working strategy

- Quantified, zoned and prioritized action plan
- **Investment** plan
- Explicit *pro-poor* strategies
- Indicators and **monitoring** tools
- **Municipal services** organization for implementation
Step 3: Enabling environment development

- **Formal** municipal commitment
- **Trained and dedicated** FSM municipal teams
- **Licensing** scheme for emptiers
- **Dialogue** space for public-private negotiation.

- **Updated regulations** for:
  - Sanitation household facilities
  - Emptying services
  - Treatment standards
Lessons learnt (1)

- Political commitment is key ...
  - Motivated local officials
  - Experience sharing among peers
  - Tailor strategies (priorities, competences)

- ... and Municipalities show added value
  - Relevant scale for dialogue with emptiers
  - Faster processes for implementation

- But investment should always be included
  - Local officials expect concrete, credible solutions
Lessons learnt (2)

- Need of specialized technical assistance and capacity building
- Potential for mobilization of domestic resources and alternative funders.
- Ripple effect in mobilizing a non-specialized local authorities network

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Points to Remember

- We are building on Cities driven solutions for FSM
- Mobilizing mayors through their existing network is possible
- Political commitment is key for initiate a process
- To convince, scale up and change the model mayors needs to be supported in the implementation of operational pilot projects
Thank you for your attention

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