



Rapid Appraisal of Climatesensitive City Development Advantages (RACCA)

AT A GLANCE

CORE PRINCIPLES

- Utilizing local innovation networks
- Adopting a bottom-up perspective
- Implementing feasible initiatives with available resources
- Employing user-friendly analysis tools for workshops and interviews.

THE PROCESS



OPEN INNOVATION

RACCA has been developed by Mesopartner in cooperation with GIZ Connective Cities. The first experience is being conducted with the Garowe Working Group as part of the project "Promoting the Economic Participation of Extremely Poor IDPs and Residents of Host Communities in Puntland, Somalia".



A CLIMATE-SENSITIVE APPROACH FOR CITY DEVELOPMENT

Climate-sensitive strategies for cities involve implementing measures and policies to mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change. They commonly focus on areas related to water use, waste management, sustainable mobility, green spaces, renewable energy, and resilient infrastructure.

However, these strategies are often developed by external experts, planning-driven and with limited consideration of business innovation opportunities.

RACCA METHODOLOGY

The methodology "Rapid Appraisal of Climate-sensitive City Development Advantages" (RACCA) aims to promote a participatory and bottom-up approach, engaging the public-, private- and civil society sectors in identifying climate solutions.

Applying easy-to-apply tools for analysis and identifying context-specific initiatives is key for the buy-in of local stakeholders and for transformation.

APPLICABILITY

The methodology's adaptability enables cities to customize the approach to their specific circumstances for facilitating effective climate change action at the local level. Therefore the applicability of RACCA extends across a wide range of contexts. Examples of areas are the following:

- Strengthening the resilience of cities through the involvement of a wide range of individuals and organisations
- Identifying social and economic business opportunities that contribute to climate solutions
- Promoting concrete climate change initiatives
- Identifying entry points for community engagement in green transformation processes
- Strengthening the sustainable competitiveness of places
- Strengthening local innovation networks and linking them to other international networks



