

# RWANDA - Sustainable Rwandan cities fit for the digital age

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## TEAM EUROPE PROPOSAL



### Ensure that smart cities use and follow:

- Scalable technology solutions
- Green urbanisation models

### City Data collection models and monitoring processes (strategic planning & management):

- Open urban data platforms
- Linkages with global/ regional initiatives - the EU-AU Data Flagship

### Foster inclusive and accessible local services

#### Promotion of EU "green" private investments

(both in municipal infrastructure and emerging tech companies) and knowledge transfer

### Elevate Rwanda as a digital and innovation hub in the region, ensure access to:

- Affordable broadband and digital services
- Digital skills
- Digital transformation for SMEs & start-ups (African EU Digital Innovation Bridge, Kigali Innovation City models)

### E-Government: create and upgrade digital systems for government data management and transparency

#### Promote a human-centric approach

#### Ongoing support:

- Kigali "Green city" project and wastewater management (DE)
- Kigali first central sewerage system, circular economy investments, energy efficiency, mobility (EIB)
- Urban and Economic Development Initiative (UEDI), Enabel (BE)
- Kigali citizen platform and Air Quality monitoring system (AFD)

## MODALITIES/ TOOLS

EU contribution – 31 MEUR for the period 2021 - 2024

Investments

EFSD+ guarantees

### TRANSFORMATIONAL POTENTIAL

To tap in the potential of Rwandan cities to drive innovation and spur the creation of jobs fit for the 21st century

## KEY DELIVERABLES

1. Potential area development around Kigali Multi-modal Transport Station (Nyabugogo) and related transport investments, including Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) lanes, expansion of non-motorised transport and e-buses fleet acquisition
2. Upgrading of two informal settlements in Kigali (56M EUR programme in blending with AFD).
3. Strategic transport corridor: linking Rwanda with the Mombasa-Kampala-Kisangani corridor.
4. Support Rwanda's ambition to develop railway infrastructure investments along transport corridors connecting the country to the Indian Ocean.
5. Data centres and geospace observation hub.

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## NATIONAL CONTEXT

### Agrarian economy

### Citizens are increasingly moving to towns and cities

- Acquiring new skills and demanding better services

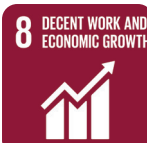
### Cities are growing

- Require better planning, governance, and new financing mechanisms

### National policies:

- Kigali City Masterplan
- Rwanda Multi Annual Indicative Program (2021-2027)

## GEOPOLITICAL CONTEXT AND RELEVANT SDGs



Article 210, Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU)

Smart Africa network

Clean transport in Sub-Saharan Africa (EIB)

D4DHub

African Smart Towns Network - ASToN (AFD)



\*\*SDGs included based on a new JRC electronic text mining tool, which identifies SDGs (targets)