

Reclaiming Streets for Pedestrians and Cyclists

Building on the Global Momentum to enhance road safety during and after COVID-19

Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda,
Guinea, Mozambique
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Project Description

Geographical Area: Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Guinea, Mozambique

Funded by: United Nations Road Safety Fund

National and International partners: Ministries of Transport, Municipal Councils, ITDP

OBJECTIVE

To increase road safety in African cities for walking and cycling, by accelerating government efforts to develop policies and actions to design safer streets and adequate public spaces



Participatory Mural in Quelimane, August 2022

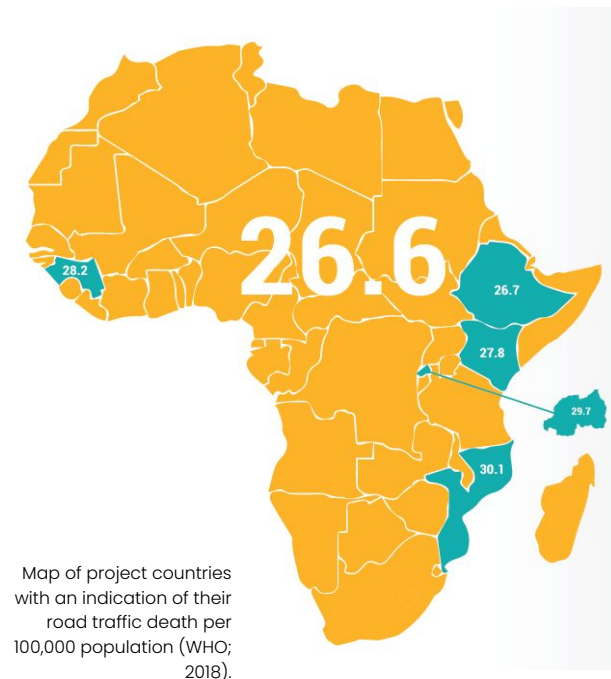
Brief Context – urbanization challenges and road safety

Rapidly growing African cities face **urban and transport challenges** that have to be addressed at a cross-sectoral and inter-institutional level.

Land use planning policies and processes have the potential to deeply **encourage different and more sustainable urban transport trajectories** combining better accessibility with active mobility solutions and integrating **measures for road safety**.

In 2019, 19 of the 54 countries in Africa were reported to have a **walking and cycling policy (35%)**.

Africa is the worst-performing continent in terms of road safety, with a fatality rate of 26.6 per 100.000 inhabitants, compared to the global average of 18.2, with numbers steadily rising.



Project Specific Objectives



Enhance road safety in African cities for people that walk and cycle.



Contribute to the ongoing efforts to reduce road traffic-related deaths and injuries in selected countries to below the African annual average.

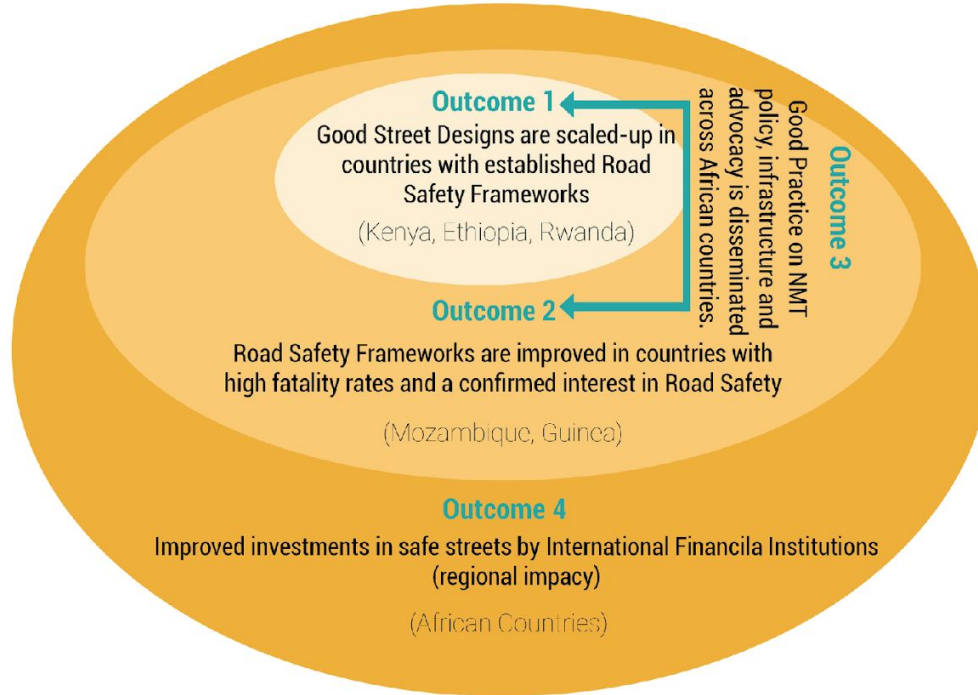


Accelerate government and financier efforts in the areas of policy development, local implementation action and investments to design safer streets and create livable public spaces.

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Project Structure



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Project Innovations

- Peer-to-peer exchange between capitals and secondary/tertiary cities.
- Places children's voices and rights at the heart of urban mobility planning and action.
- Collaborative Street Design challenges using the computer game, Minecraft, as a community participation tool
- Training on street design and data management for road safety



Project Expected Results

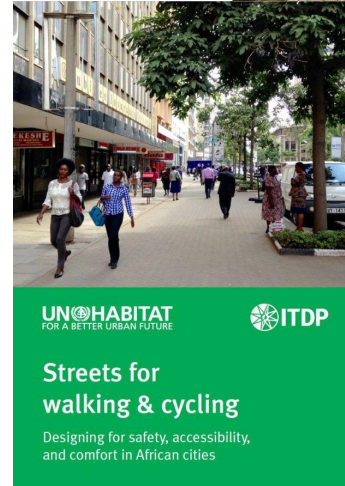
Outcome 1

- Country-wide Capacity Building on scaling up high quality street design and road safety
- Technical Assistance and Design Review for implementing safe NMT infrastructure

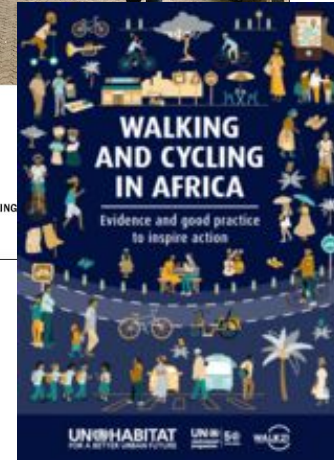
Outcome 2

- Enhanced data on the road safety situation in the country
- Development and Review of evidence-based NMT policies and standards
- Multi-stakeholder collaboration to promote and advocate for safe NMT and low carbon transport

STREET DESIGN MANUAL FOR URBAN AREAS IN KENYA



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Project Expected Results

Outcome 3

- Regional Conventions to disseminate good practice on NMT through the Africa Network for Walking and Cycling.

Outcome 4

- Strengthened Collaboration with Financiers of planned infrastructure projects
- Regional Conventions of International Financial Institutions and their counterpart country representatives



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Success so far...

Minecraft workshop for street design in Kenya

Placemaking, tactical urbanism interventions for road safety, community engagement activities and high-level bike ride in Mozambique, Kenya and Ethiopia.

More than 300 people from road safety organizations, associations and government agencies provided with training on inclusive street design.

Regional event in Kigali that enabled city-city exchange and peer learning

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