## GREATER KAMPALA LOCAL GOVERNMENTS MEET TO IDENTIFY ONGOING EFFORTS ON LAND-BASED FINANCING

From 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> November 2021, FMDV in partnership with the Kampala Capital City and UN-Habitat Global Land Tool Network organized a workshop on Land Based Financing and kick-off the next phase of preparatory work on the metropolitan capital investment planning. The event was not affected by the deadly bombings in Kampala, on 16th of November, and participants stayed committed throughout the engagement.

This workshop was convened with support of the Ministry of Kampala Capital City and Metropolitan Affairs (MoKCCMA). The Minister MoKCCMA, Hon. Kabanda Hajjat Minsa, opened the event and engaged the room of chairpersons, mayors, their deputies and accounting officers from the 9 LGs making the Greater Kampala Metropolitan Area. The Mayors of Entebbe, Nansana and Makindye Ssabagabo as well as the deputy mayor of Kira called for more efforts in building effective partnerships.



Hon. Minsa Kabanda - Minister for Kampala Capital City and Metropolitan Affairs

The workshop focused on;

- Presenting tools to analyse the own-source revenue state of play and encourage discussion between political and technical teams; raise awareness on the critical need for land-use planning and revenue strategies.
- Analyse national policies and critical gaps in operationalizing land-based financing strategies
- Achieve consensus on the next steps to integrate Land-Based financing in project profiling for capital investment planning.
- Demonstrate the impact the PIFUD programme has in strategic connections between the work led between development partners (particularly, JICA, World Bank and prospects)



Edison Masereka the PIFUD Project Cordinator making his presentation at the workshop

During the workshop, local governments were encouraged by the Director Walala, of local government inspection, Ministry of Local Governments, and Commissioner Walter Pade, Urban Minister Development, of Housing Land and Urban Development, to pro-actively work together and contribute to change the legal and regulatory framework through the available channels (Local Government Associations and their Line ministries). Development partners, including UNCDF, Cities Alliance, the French Development Agency, GGGI, and USAID also shared their expectation and lessons learnt from on-going activities.



Participants group photo after the workshop at Mestil Hotel

The FMDV, as co-leader of the PIFUD is contributing to producing knowledge on a few policy issues on urbanization in Uganda, building on the data produced by local partners and new systems such as IRAS being rolled-out in 3 municipalities of the Greater Kampala. This is in line with the strategy for a smarter and greener Kampala and Greater Kampala Metropolitan Area, where policy making is informed by timely data and participatory process inclusive of local governments and their residents throughout the metropolitan Area.

In her closing remarks, Monica Ejua, Undersecretary for Kampala Capital City and Metropolitan Affairs, highlighted the opportunity of coherently engaging the different development partners and clearly identifying the needs for capacity building in such a way that the Metropolitan Area moves, together, towards the 2030 Strategic Vision.



Ms Monica Ejua the Undersecretary Ministry of Kampala Capital City and Metropolitan affairs making a presentation during the workshop