

## **SUBNATIONAL COMPETITIVENESS:**

Why Permitting is a Key Starting Point to Promote Inclusion, Anti-Corruption & Competitiveness at the Municipal Level



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# Doing Business 2017

Equal Opportunity for All



## World Bank index measures permitting competitiveness:

- Starting a business
- Construction permit
- Getting electricity
- Registering property
- Getting credit
- Protecting investors
- Paying taxes
- Cross-border trade
- Enforcing contracts
- Insolvency rules
- Labor regulation





# MUNICIPAL MOTIVATION MATH

1. Efficient permitting = efficient job creation
2. Job creation = policymakers' attention
3. Policymakers' attention = commitment to additional competitiveness efforts





1. Rules are **Online** & Consistently Applied

2. Can **Track & Renew** Permits Online

3. **True Single Window** for All Agencies

4. Option of Licensed, **Independent** Inspectors

5. **No Duplication**, thanks to a unified process or mutual recognition if multiple levels of government have a common requirement

6. Requirements are Classified by Activity **Risk**

7. **Transparent** & **Germane** Mitigation Request

8. **Training** & Certification for Public Servants

9. **Advocate** Available to Address Bottlenecks

10. Response **Deadline** with positive presumption, interim feedback, and chance to correct errors

