

**Measure
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**Social
Cities**

The IFHP Social Cities Index

Imagine a city where you can lead a healthy, safe and inspiring life. This can be the reality for you and for generations to come. But first we need a tool to measure and manage livability and social cohesion.

It is a new diagnostic tool that helps city governments to manage the social impact of urban planning strategies in three dimensions: The household, the neighbourhood and the city.

With the purpose of advancing inclusive cities that are built for people, IFHP now offers the Social Cities Index.



The IFHP Social Cities Index offers you several benefits and opportunities:

- We summarize risks and opportunities in one picture
- Together we create a shared understanding across cities' governmental departments
- We provide the data that you need to create people-centred sustainability strategies
- You get a fact base to engage local governments, businesses, and civil society.

Measurement matters

The IFHP Social Cities Index identifies indicators in three dimensions and transforms data into an easy-to-read diagnosis.



The household level:
We measure housing affordability and availability, as well as the citizens' perception of the quality of their homes.



The neighbourhood level:
We measure safety, access to basic services, and the degree of social inclusion.



The city level:
We measure access to jobs and education, mobility, and to what extent citizens feel empowered to participate in local decision-making processes.



Creating social cities

Cities are growing. By 2050, two-thirds of the world's population is expected to inhabit urban areas. This calls for immediate action to ensure that everyone – regardless of gender, sexual orientation, age, race, religion or ability – can feel home in the city they live in.

For more than 100 years the International Federation for Housing and Planning (IFHP) has worked to make cities better for people. Today IFHP is connecting urban planners and organisations across the world. Our mission is to create sustainable and inclusive cities.

IFHP's flagship programme, Social Cities, is designed to improve liveability and social cohesion. It allows for a collaborative approach where citizens, politicians, experts, and corporations meet face-to-face to develop the future of their cities.

IFHP Social Cities has three main components: an index to translate fragmented data into an easy-to-read diagnosis of a city; an ideation lab to co-create solutions; and a knowledge-sharing platform to scale best practices. IFHP Social Cities is made possible by Realdania and Ramboll Foundation.

