PROMEBA — Argentina's National Neighbourhood-Upgrading Programme, With a Matched Evaluation of 169 Neighbourhoods

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Quality score: 67/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

IDB-financed since 1997, PROMEBA has upgraded villas in 629 projects reaching ~213,000 families. A 2020 matched study of 169 neighbourhoods found sewer connection up 10 points and residential satisfaction up 20, but tenure security up only 4 points.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	3/3
Innovation	1/3
Inclusiveness / equity	2/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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