

San Salvador Heat-Island Living Lab — IDB 'Cities for All' Co-Creation Pilot

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Quality score: 57/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

San Salvador's metropolitan planning office (OPAMSS) won an IDB Cities Lab challenge and, with two universities and City Adapt, piloted low-cost green-infrastructure modules against urban heat islands over a 6-8 month co-design phase.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-16

[COAMSS/OPAMSS Innovation Unit \(San Salvador Metropolitan Planning Office\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-16

[La Prensa Gráfica — Islas de calor urbanas](#) — accessed 2026-08-16

[IIED — Green infrastructure for heat reduction in San Salvador](#) — accessed 2026-08-16

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