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Introduction

The City of Luján de Cuyo spans a territorial area of 4,848 km2, with a population growth of 43% between 2010-2022 (according to the national census). Located at the foot of the Andes Mountains and surrounded by vineyards, the city boasts an arid climate and mountainous terrain. However, a system of canals and ditches facilitates the distribution of water throughout the city.

The municipality has made significant investments in public spaces, including squares, bike paths, and lighting, as well as the creation of green areas and the promotion of environmental sustainability.

Luján de Cuyo offers a privileged natural environment and a community committed to environmental protection and sustainable development. These factors have positioned the city as an attractive destination for residents and investors interested in real estate projects.

The region presents an excellent opportunity for investment in housing, commercial, and mixed-use developments, offering sustained profitability due to growing demand and the high quality of life in Luján de Cuyo.

The Province of Mendoza, under Article 4 of Law No. 8959, adheres to National Decree No. 434/2016 to plan and implement the Plan for the Modernization of the Municipal State. Among its objectives, the plan emphasizes transparent governance and effective communication and participation channels. Promoting the right of access to public information is a key policy of the Municipality of Luján de Cuyo. This policy has evolved from a passive approach to transparency toward the active publication of data in conditions conducive to its use and reuse, strengthening democracy and fostering an organizational culture of openness.

As part of the Municipal Innovation Plan, the Open Data Portal of the Municipality of Luján de Cuyo will be launched in 2023. This portal will consolidate, facilitate, and promote access to public sector data, encouraging collaboration, transparency, participation, and innovation in public management.

Law No. 9070 on Access to Public Information incorporates the concept of active transparency and establishes the Transparency Portal of Mendoza, guided by principles of accessibility, interoperability, and reuse. This portal enables anyone to request public information on various subjects covered by law and access information essential for ensuring transparency in government actions.

In alignment with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its commitment to "Leave no one behind," the municipality recognizes that data disaggregation is crucial for effectively measuring progress.

This document reaffirms our commitment to the Inclusive Data Charter (IDC) and outlines the actions that the Municipality of Luján de Cuyo will undertake to fulfill the Charter's vision and principles.

To support the IDC, we will utilize disaggregated data where available to enhance information on openness strategies and analyze data related to gender, disability, water supply, and vulnerable neighborhoods within our jurisdiction.

Commitment

The Municipality of Luján de Cuya embraces the five principles of the IDC through the following commitments:

- We are committed to leaving no one behind, reflected in both our vision and our mission to create a more inclusive city where every citizen has the opportunity to thrive.
- We recognize the importance of community- and citizen-driven data as fundamental for understanding societal needs and making informed decisions to improve the quality of life of all residents.
- We recognize the need to strengthen our data and systems capabilities to ensure efficient, transparent management that enables timely and secure access to public information.
- We work in partnership with other development actors, such as the private sector, non-governmental organizations, and the broader community to advance projects and policies that promote economic growth, equality, and the well-being of the people of Luján de Cuyo.

Our work will focus on:

- Fostering a vibrant and diverse environment that creates employment and opportunities for all citizens.
- Promoting public policies that ensure equal opportunities for all, regardless of gender, ethnicity, or socioeconomic status.
- Leveraging emerging technologies and data to improve efficiency in our municipal services and provide innovative solutions to community challenges.
- Planning and managing urban growth sustainably.

- Protecting our natural environment and strengthening our community's resilience to environmental and climate challenges.
- Establishing the Municipal Statistical Center to promote transparency, raise awareness, and support evidence-based decision-making at the state level.
- Facilitate training and dialogue with the various sectors of the departmental, provincial, national and international community, promoting collaboration and mutual institutional cooperation policies.



Action plan

Objective	Actions	Timeline
Improve the provision of fully disaggregated data, advocating for long-term investment in administrative and registry data, as well as calling for all microdata to be properly anonymized and freely accessible by Municipal offices.	Conduct data audits at the Municipal and departmental levels to increase awareness of available data as well as existing gaps. Use the results to advocate for the opening of available microdata and greater investment to fill data gaps.	2024-2025
Use available disaggregated data to the fullest extent possible in our research and analysis to augment the information.	We will use disaggregated data in our analysis and promote the importance of greater investment in data that is disaggregated by gender, disability, in order to increase information on the progress of our department's neighbors. Through our platforms we will provide visualized data and deeper analysis.	2025-2026
Promote the inclusion of populations frequently marginalized due to their gender, disability, vulnerable neighborhoods and control of the supply of drinking water.	Identify partners working with groups and individuals excluded from statistics and use unofficial data to better understand their needs and help make them visible.	2025-2026

Enforcement authority

The Municipality of Luján de Cuyo, represented by the Mayor, Mr. Esteban Allasino, designates the Secretary of Innovation, Open Government, and Territorial Management as the authority responsible for implementing and coordinating the Department's Open Government and Innovation policies. This role includes overseeing the implementation of the principles of the Inclusive Data Charter.

As the designated contact points for the Charter, the following individuals will coordinate efforts:

- Lic. Matias Meric (mmeric@lujandecuyo.gob.ar)
- Dr. Yesica Betti <u>(ybetti@lujandecuyo.gob.ar)</u>
- Geog. Mercedes Bustamante (<u>mbustamante@lujandecuyo.gob.ar</u>), who will also collaborate in the previously mentioned implementation.

The principles of the Inclusive Data Charter will be integrated into the Municipality's Innovation and Open Government Plan. This will be achieved through ongoing and future policies and initiatives related to open data, transparency, innovation, and inclusion, as well as the activities of the Municipal Statistical Center





