WORK PLAN

YEAR 2 (2026-2027)

Cities and regions united for biodiversity:
Mayors' Coalition against illicit economies

October 2026

GLOBAL INITIATIVE
AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL
ORGANIZED CRIME

CIUDADES UNIDAS POR LA BIODIVERSIDAD
CITIES UNITED FOR BIODIVERSITY

1. OBJECTIVE

To consolidate and expand the Coalition's work in its second year, monitoring the evolution of environmental challenges against the baseline, strengthening capacities and peer exchanges, expanding membership and deepening advocacy in multilateral spaces.

2. PERIOD

October 2026 – October 2027

3. STRATEGIC LINES

For its second year of operation, the Action Plan maintains the three main lines of work: to identify the environmental harms caused by organized crime and the success stories in the fight against illicit economies, to promote advocacy actions, and to strengthen the Coalition's internal functioning and sustainability.

Strategic Line 1. Identification of environmental harms, capacity-building and identify experiences

Objective: To monitor the evolution of environmental challenges against the baseline, strengthen capacities and foster the exchange of successful experiences among member cities.

Activity	Result	Outcome indicator	Period	Responsible party
1.1 Second application of the Self-Assessment Tool by member cities and regions, maintaining the methodology to allow comparison with the Year 1 baseline.	Second measurement comparable with the baseline.	Number of cities applying the tool; report of the second measurement.	Jan – Mar 2027	Member cities and regions / GI-TOC Technical Secretariat
1.2 Comparative analysis and publication of the evolution of environmental challenges (Year 1 vs. Year 2), with thematic and regional trends.	Comparative evolution report.	Comparative report published and disseminated.	May 2027	GI-TOC Technical Secretariat
1.3 First-time application of the tool in the newly incorporated cities and regions.	New cities with baseline diagnosis.	Number of new cities applying the tool.	Jan – Mar 2027	New member cities / Technical Secretariat
1.4 Holding of 2 virtual capacity-building sessions according to the prioritized trends and themes identified.	Capacities strengthened in priority areas.	Number of training sessions; number of participating cities.	May – Aug 2027	GI-TOC Technical Secretariat / partners
1.5 Identification and systematization of experiences/success stories from cities and regions.	Repository of experiences/success stories shared by cities and regions.	Number of experiences/cases documented in the repository.	Nov 2026 – Sep 2027	GI-TOC Technical Secretariat / member cities

Strategic Line 2. Advocacy actions in multilateral spaces

Objective: To increase the visibility and positioning of the Coalition, following up on the Joint Declaration made in the framework of COP13 UNTOC and identifying new advocacy opportunities.

Activity	Result	Outcome indicator	Period	Responsible party
2.1 Update the mapping and prioritization of multilateral spaces, identifying new advocacy opportunities.	Updated mapping of advocacy opportunities.	Number of prioritized spaces.	Nov 2026 – Feb 2027	Coalition members and Technical Secretariat
2.2 Define the 2027 advocacy agenda.	2027 advocacy agenda defined.	Agenda defined and prioritized.	Nov 2026 – Feb 2027	Coalition members and Technical Secretariat
2.3 Disseminate the Joint Declaration adopted in Vienna to key stakeholders.	Joint Declaration disseminated.	Number of dissemination actions.	Nov 2026 – Sep 2027	GI-TOC Technical Secretariat / Coalition members
2.4 Participate in and promote advocacy actions in at least three priority multilateral spaces.	Participation of the Coalition in multilateral spaces.	Number of advocacy actions implemented.	Feb – Sep 2027	Coalition members and Technical Secretariat

Strategic Line 3. Internal functioning and sustainability

Objective: To ensure the functioning and governance of the Coalition, expand membership and advance towards its sustainability.

Activity	Result	Outcome indicator	Period	Responsible party
3.1 Hold the Coalition's Annual Meeting in 2027.	Minutes of the meeting and priorities for the following year identified.	Number of meetings held during the year.	Oct 2027	Coalition members
3.2 Quarterly meetings to follow up on the workplan with the Coalition's Presidency and Vice-presidency.	Periodic follow-up of the workplan.	Number of meetings held and their minutes.	Nov 2026 – Sep 2027	GI-TOC Technical Secretariat / Presidency and Vice-presidency

3.3 Expand coverage and representativeness: integrate new member cities and regions.	New cities and regions incorporated.	Number of member cities and regions.	Nov 2026 – Sep 2027	Coalition members and Technical Secretariat
3.4 Induction of the new member cities and regions.	New cities integrated.	Number of induction sessions held.	Nov 2026 – Sep 2027	GI-TOC Technical Secretariat
3.5 Financial-sustainability strategy and engagement with donors and partners.	Sustainability strategy and new partnerships.	Number of partnerships and/or approaches to donors.	Nov 2026 – Sep 2027	GI-TOC Technical Secretariat / Presidency and Vice-presidency
3.6 Strengthen the Coalition's communications and visibility (website, materials, spokesperson ship).	Strengthened communications presence.	Number of communication products; reach.	Nov 2026 – Sep 2027	GI-TOC Technical Secretariat / Presidency and Vice-presidency

4. FOLLOW-UP AND MONITORING MECHANISMS OF THE COALITION

The Coalition's Technical Secretariat will be responsible for overseeing compliance with the actions set out in the workplan, preparing the minutes of virtual and in-person meetings, and keeping a record of the advocacy initiatives promoted by members.

To this end, the following follow-up mechanisms will be implemented:

- Annual report, to be presented at the plenary, which will include an overview of the Coalition's management, progress on indicators, main challenges faced and an assessment of internal functioning.

5. TIMELINE

Activity	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Strategic Line 1. Identification of environmental harms, capacity-building and identify experiences												
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1.2 Comparative analysis and publication of the evolution of environmental challenges (Year 1 vs. Year 2), with thematic and regional trends.								■				
1.3 First-time application of the tool in the newly incorporated cities and regions.				■	■	■						
1.4 Holding of virtual capacity-building sessions according to the prioritized trends and themes identified.								■	■	■	■	
1.5 Identification and systematization of experiences/success stories from cities and regions.		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Strategic Line 2. Advocacy actions in multilateral spaces												
2.1 Update the mapping and prioritization of multilateral spaces, identifying new advocacy opportunities.		■	■	■	■							
2.2 Define the 2027 advocacy agenda.		■	■	■	■							
2.3 Disseminate the Joint Declaration adopted in Vienna to key stakeholders.		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
2.4 Participate in and promote advocacy actions in at least three priority multilateral spaces.					■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Strategic Line 3. Internal functioning and sustainability												
3.1 Hold the Coalition's Annual Meeting in 2027.												■
3.2 Quarterly meetings to follow up on the workplan with the Presidency and Vice-presidency.		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
3.3 Expand coverage and representativeness: integrate new member cities and regions.		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
3.4 Induction of the new member cities and regions.		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
3.5 Financial-sustainability strategy and engagement with donors and partners.		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
3.6 Strengthen the Coalition's communications and visibility (website, materials, spokespersonship).		■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■