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Living Wage Benchmark Series

How does the methodology meet the IDH criteria

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1. Collecting data
   Data for local food prices, healthy housing costs, adequate health care, and education through secondary school are collected through detailed field research.

2. Cost of living of a typical family
   Family size based on average household size (excluding one person households and especially large or joint households), fertility rates and child mortality rates in location.

3. Items of cost of living
   Food and housing align with international minimum quality standards and local norms and conditions. Cost of adequate healthcare and children’s education through secondary school estimated using primary and secondary data. Other expenses estimated using secondary data. Small margin added for unforeseen events and sustainability.

4. Working adults
   Number of full-time equivalent workers in typical family determined by labor force participation rates, unemployment rates, and part-time employment rates for men and women in prime working ages in location.

5. Sufficient net wage
   Mandatory payroll deductions, union dues, and income tax added to the net living wage to get the (gross) living wage.

6. Differences in context
   Benchmarks are specific to a general location.

7. Conflict of interest
   No conflict of interests identified.

8. Transparency
   The Anker methodology and all Benchmark studies are freely available on the GLWC website.

9. Inflation estimation
   GLWC updates and publishes Benchmark estimates annually by adjusting for inflation and accounting for taxes.

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Methodology approach

Survey
- Surveys of local prices for food, housing, health care, education, and transport.

Data Collectors
- Local researchers collect detailed field-level data on cost of food, housing, healthcare, and education in location.

Model-based
- Not based on model. Based on primary and secondary data.

Specificity
- Region and location

Publishing Data
- Publicly available and updated annually