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Urban and Land Management in Egypt

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Existing cities VS new cities



Land scarcity - high values of land

competitiveness over lands between investment and social services to improve quality of life



Greenfield is available

How to use land according to the real market demand and for investment?

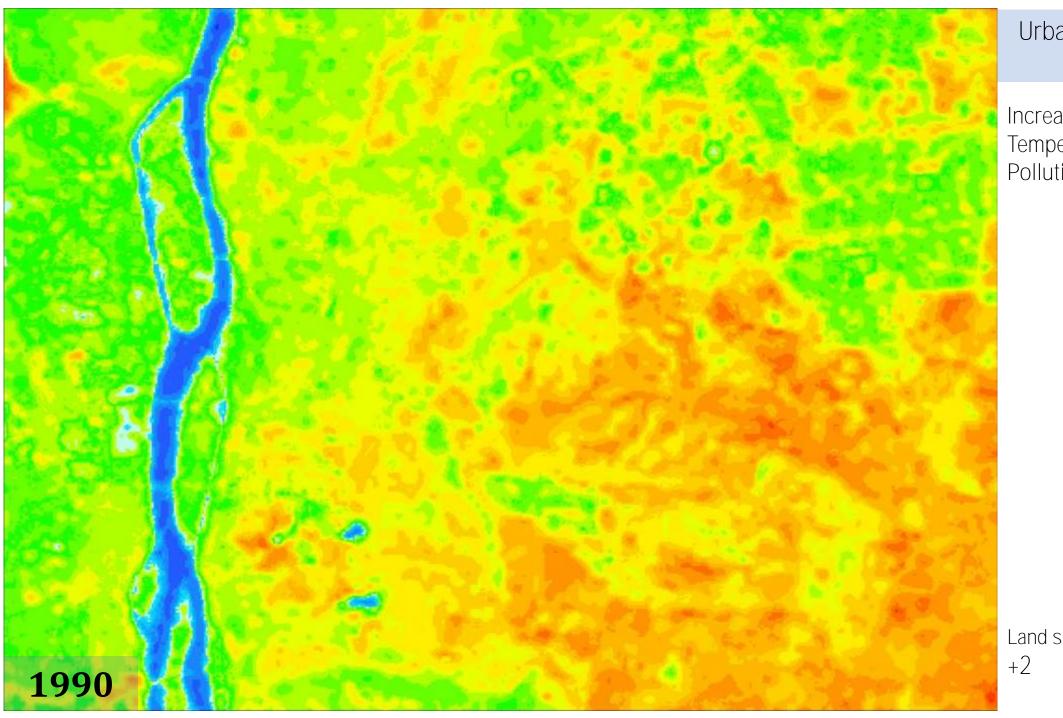








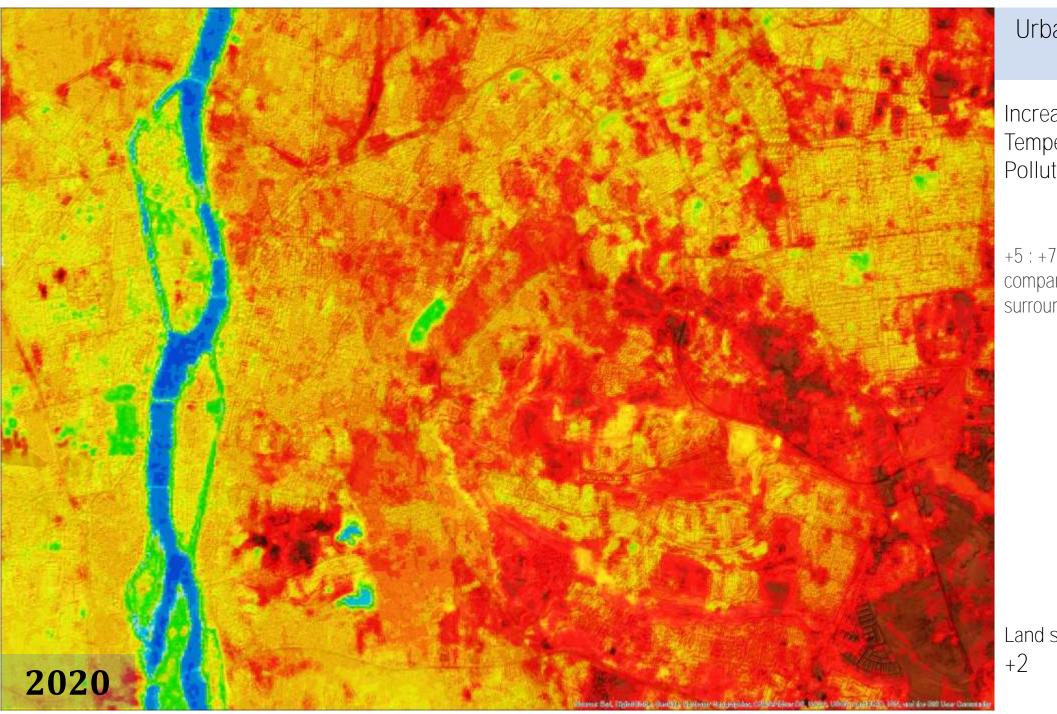
Compact urban form: no space either for future extensions or providing new services for citizens



Urban Heat Island (UHI)

Increasing
Temperature and air
Pollution Levels

Land surface Temperature +2



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Increasing
Temperature and air
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+5: +7 increase comparing with the surroundings

Land surface Temperature +2





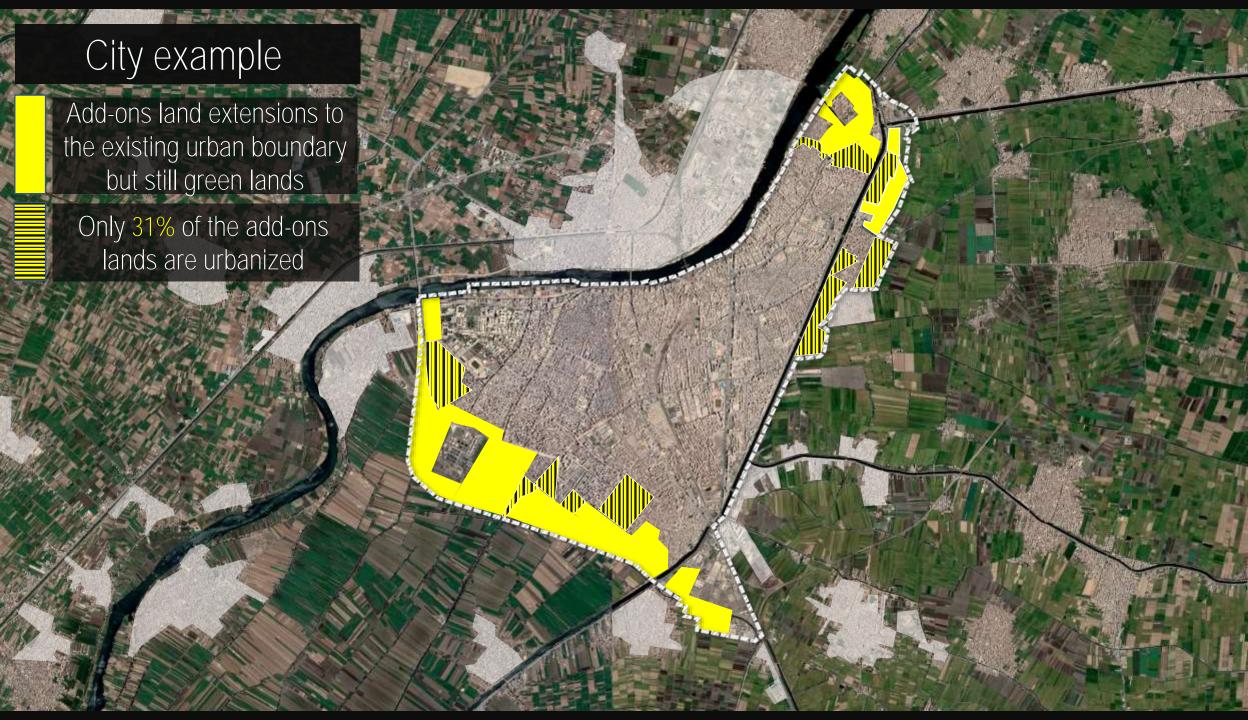


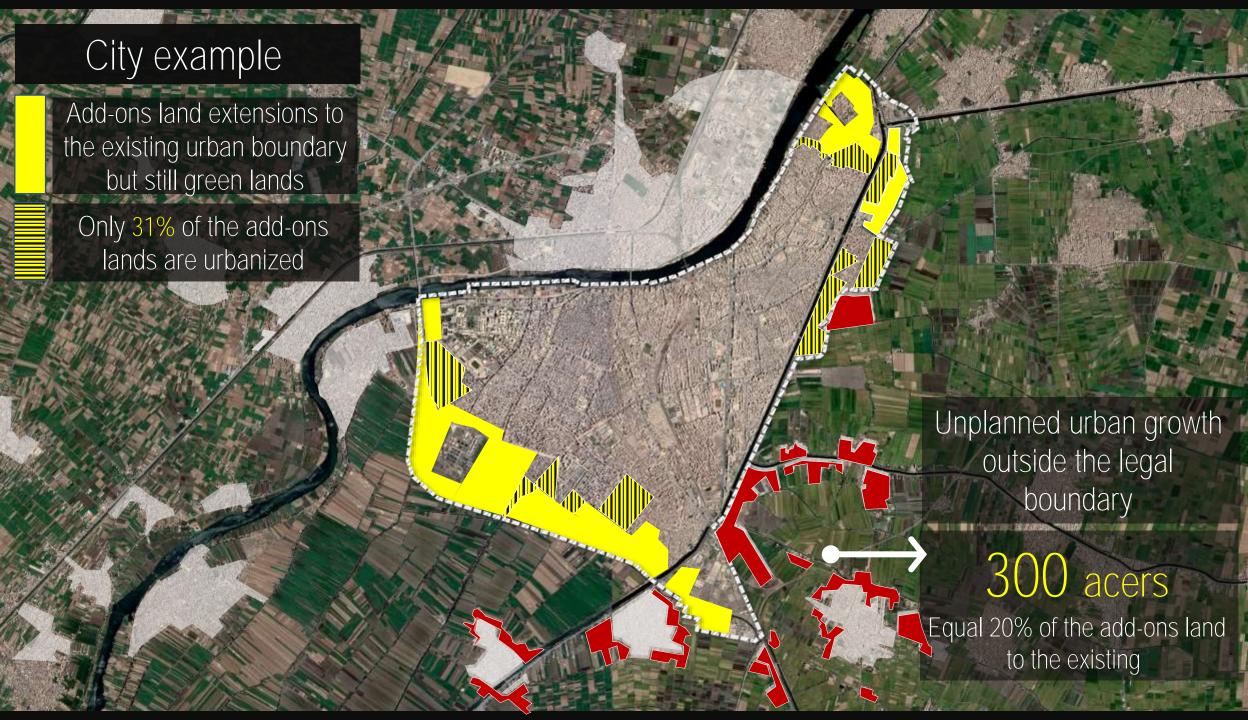














<u>Challenges</u>

Haphazard land use decisions, ineffective land valuation, un-transparent allocation, complex procedures and no notion of enabling investment

Solutions



New building and planning regulations to improve land efficiency



New building procedures to simplify the procedures



Spatial system using daily satellites to control the urban growth



Land registration and national ID for buildings



Land Readjustment process for the new urban extensions

Land Readjustment

As a tool for Planning and Managing of Urban Expansion Areas in Egypt



Land Readjustment Objectives and stages

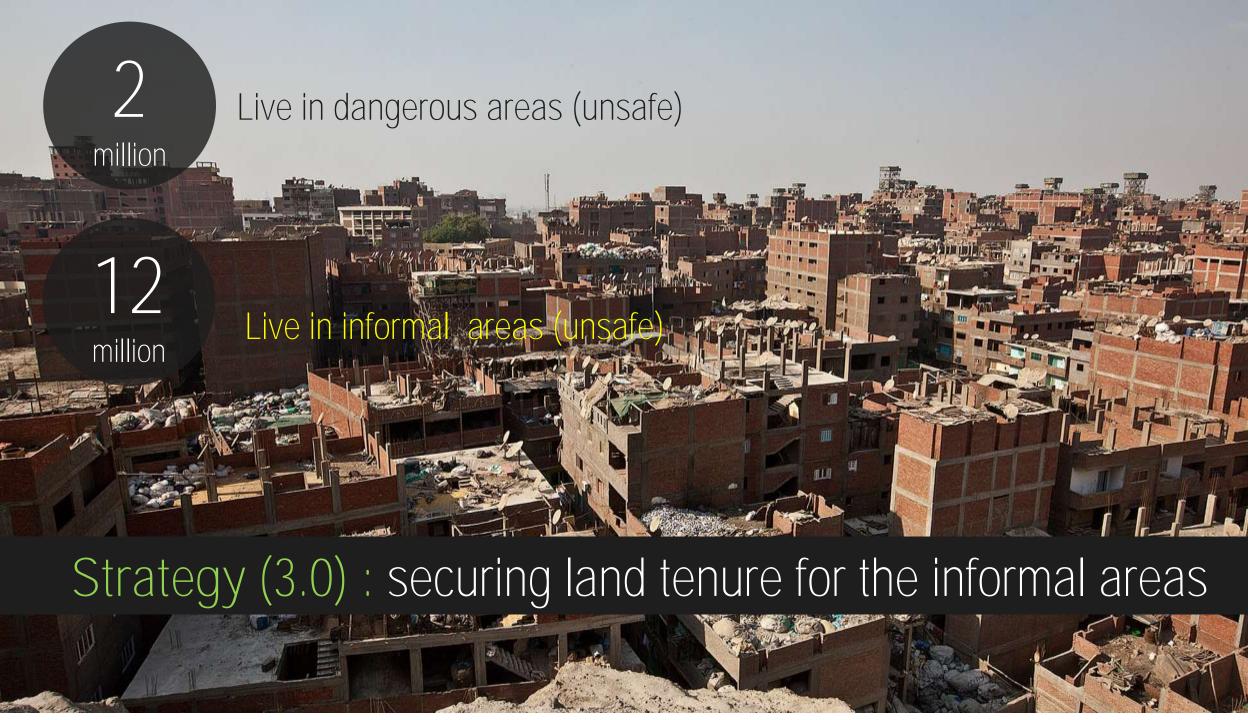
Redevelop urban areas according to an updated master plan



Engage urban poor in land redevelopment and prevent forced eviction

Capture land value increments to cover redevelopment Costs

Increase development density to make room for urban expansion and revitalization



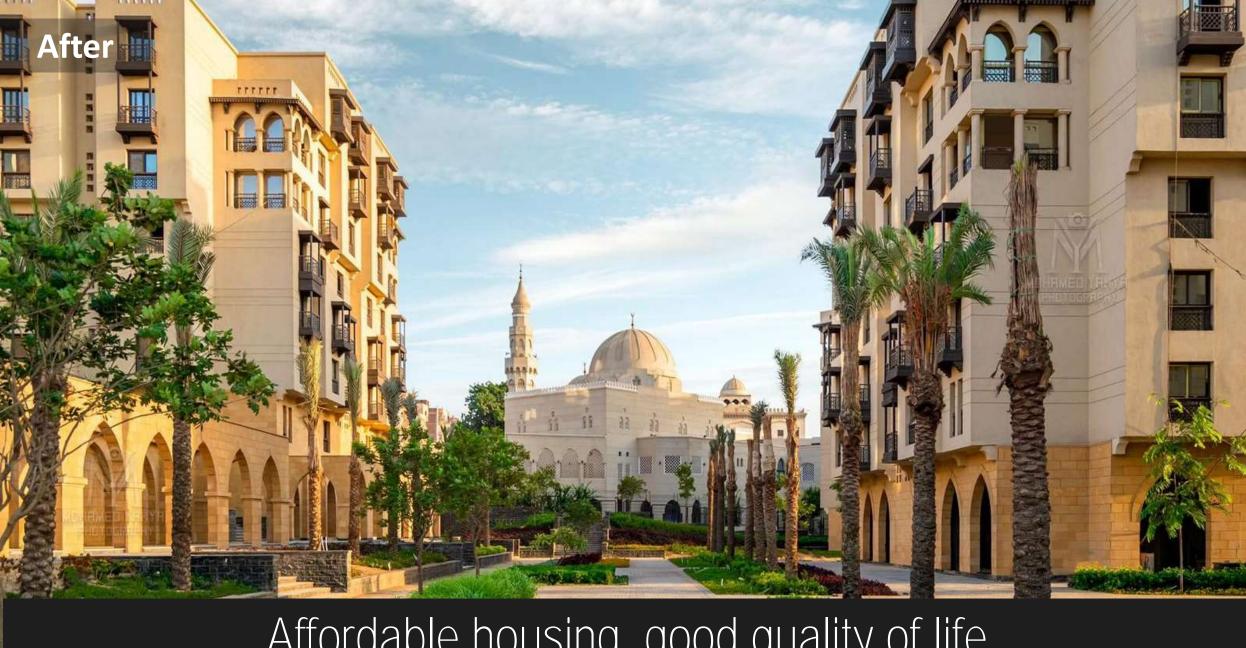
Strategy (3.0): securing land tenure for the informal areas



A registered contract between the citizen and government to own the unit

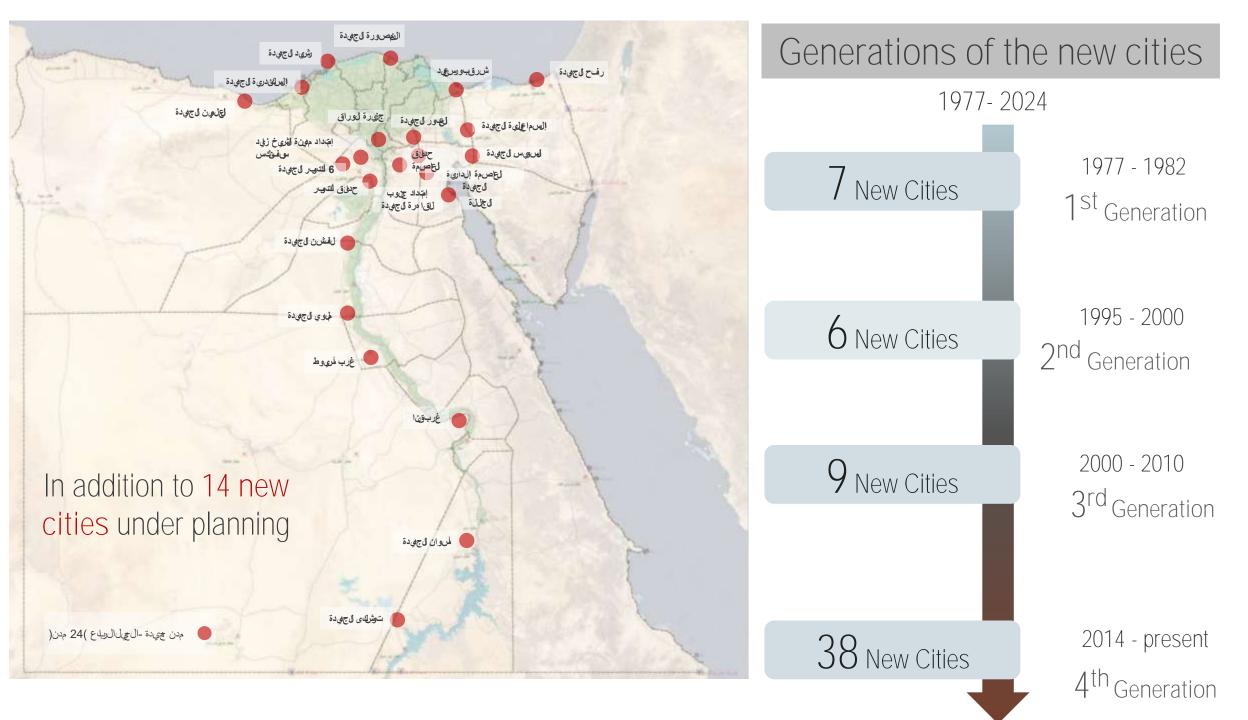
A fully finished and furnished unit granted to citizens without discrimination

Before



Affordable housing, good quality of life





Strategy (4.0): Land registration at the new city context

Just 5-10% of properties in Egypt registered in (old) cities

lack of ICT capacity

Fragmentation of registration responsibilities.







Impact on land market, urban planning, banking sector, and economic growth.

The 4th generation new cities are arranged as Smart Cities that optimize city functions while improving quality of life for their citizens utilizing smart innovation.



Strategy (4.0): Land registration at the new city context

Geospatial smart city management system

A. Overground layers (GIS)

- A GIS unit has been established in Zayed city and with more GIS experts.
- Unified GIS database standards, supported by NUCA.
- Providing digital 3D models/images using the latest technologies, such as drones and Street Mapping tools.
- Customizing GIS web application

B. Underground Utilities Network

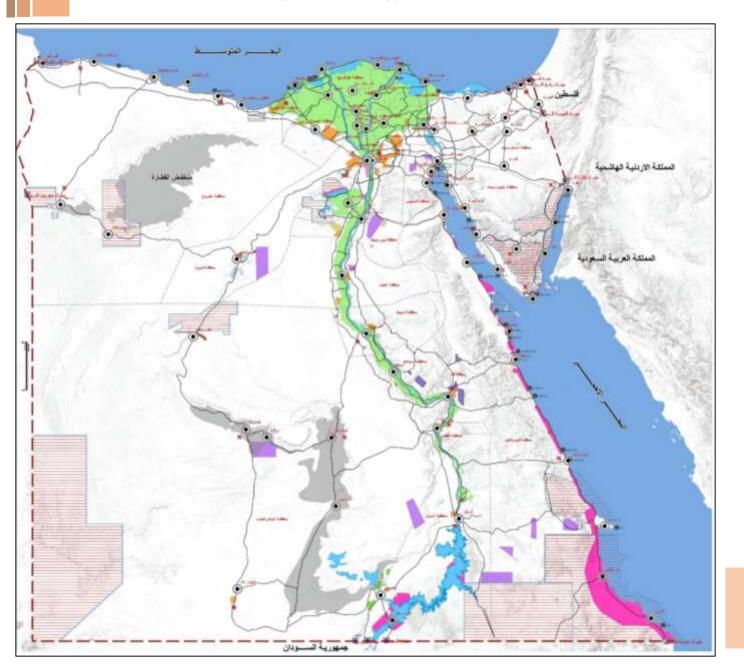
surveyed paths, cables, depth, and line types for the following underground networks;

Electricity network - Water networks - Gas network - Drainage network - Telephone network



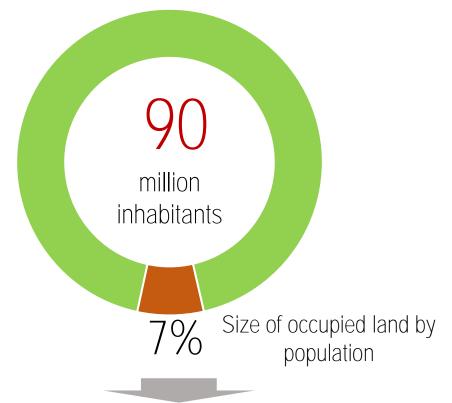






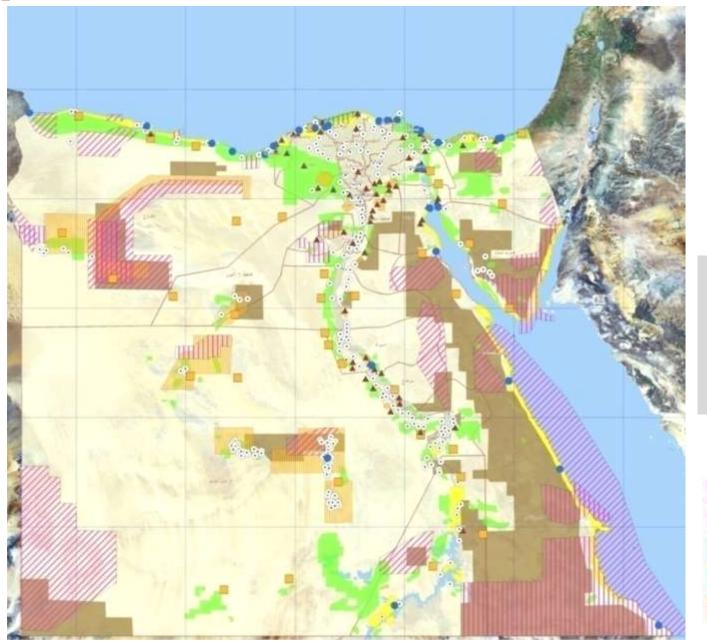
Urban development in Egypt Key challenges and problems

2014



High concentration of uses and activities
High demand on land



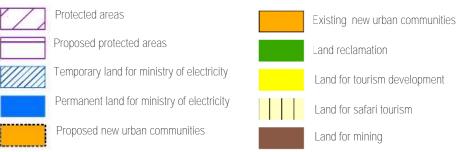


<u>Challenges</u>

1- Institutional Framework

Many sectoral and geographic entities directly and indirectly control public land allocation and development

Interference sectoral authorities on public lands (horizontal) and between central government and local governorates (vertical)



Governing public land and asset management

(identification, documentation, preservation, pricing and uses)

Cabinet

National committee for accounting the state lands at different ministries

Tourism

TDA

Settlements

NUCA

Industry

GAID

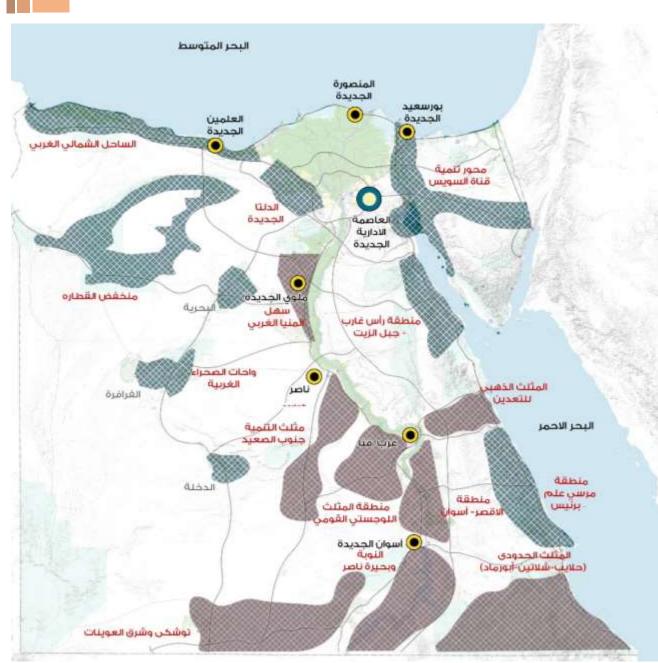
Agriculture and reclamation

GARPAD

Governorates (local government)

Technical secretariat for the public asset governance

High level national committee for land retrieval



Integration between different sectors

to minimize the interferences between different authorities

Economical development zones based on resources and demand

15

development and economic zones

No overlapping – land uses driven by demand

REPUBLIQUE DE DJIBOUTI

UNITÉ – EGALITÉ – PAIX

MINISTERE DU BUDGET



MINISTERE DE LA VILLE, DE L'HABITAT ET DE L'URBANISME



Développer un système d'administration foncier et lutter contre l'habitat informel en milieu urbain : Cas de la République de Djibouti

PERSPECTIVE D'EVOLUTION DU SECTEUR FONCIER

Présenté le 17 Mai 2024 À Washington

Plan de la présentation

OBJECTIFS:

Présentation:

- I Contexte actuel du secteur foncier à Djibouti
- II- Brève description du Projet Intégré de résorption des Bidonvilles (PIRB)
- III- Activité de réforme de l'administration foncière au niveau du système cadastral et foncière de la république de Djibouti
- IV- L'amélioration des conditions de vie urbaine et foncière des habitants des bidonvilles : le cas des zones urbaines des quartiers précaires cibles du projet
- V- Mise en place d'une base de données des ménages de la zone de Balbala nord
- VI- Des défis majeurs rencontrés en 2023

Introduction: Contexte actuel du secteur foncier à Djibouti

- A l'instar des pays africains, Djibouti est confrontée à une urbanisation accélérée et non maitrisée et affectant plus particulièrement dans les zones urbaines « qui regroupent 70,6% de la population totale dont 58,1% pour la seule ville de Djibouti ».
- La gestion urbaine et foncière constitue une problématique majeure pour les acteurs en charge du foncier à Djibouti car la ville de Djibouti s'étend de plus en plus dans les zones à urbaniser tel que prévus par le SDAU mais aussi la dispersion de l'habitat précaire caractérisée par des occupations illégales.
- La problématique de l'accès au foncier pour la population vulnérable reste l'une des principaux axes prioritaires dans tous les « documents cadres stratégiques de développement » élaboré par le gouvernement djiboutien en vue« d'apporter des réponses concrètes face à la dégradation de la condition de vie urbaine des habitants des quartiers précaires.
- C'est pourquoi, les acteurs de la gestion urbaine et foncière ont compris la nécessité de mener plusieurs études portant sur l'amélioration du secteur foncier à Djibouti dans le but d'identifier les obstacles liées à l'accès au foncier aux différentes couches sociales.
- Pour faire face aux problèmes liés à la gestion urbaine et foncière, le gouvernement djiboutien est engagé avec le soutien des directions techniques concernées (*DATUH*, *DDCF*, *ET ARULOS*) pour mener des travaux d'étude de restructuration et d'alignement de treize quartiers de la ville de Djibouti.
- La particularité de la gestion foncière à Djibouti réside dans le fait que la terre appartient à l'Etat et le ministère du Budget par l'entremise de la <u>Direction des Domaines et de la Conservation foncière</u> (DDCF) est en charge de la gestion intégrale des domaines de l'Etat aussi bien dans le domaine privé que public.

Contexte et Justification du Projet PIRB

- Le Gouvernement de Djibouti a lancé en 2016 un programme intitulé « Programme Zéro Bidonville PZB ».
- L'objectif visé est d'apporter des réponses appropriées et durables pour l'amélioration des conditions de vie urbaine et d'accès à un logement décent pour tous.
- Dans la ville de Djibouti, le projet vise à apporter une réponses concrète dans les zones urbaines défavorisées et en particulier à Balbala ou la question de l'accès aux services urbains est faible.
- Le Projet Intégré de Résorption des Bidonvilles (PIRB) et Financement Additionnel se propose à horizon 2025 de régulariser 25 000 unités d'habitation.

Composantes du Projet

Elaboration des instruments institutionnels, réglementaires, opérationnels et de planification pour mettre en œuvre le PZB

Investissements participatifs de réhabilitation dans des zones urbaines sélectionnées

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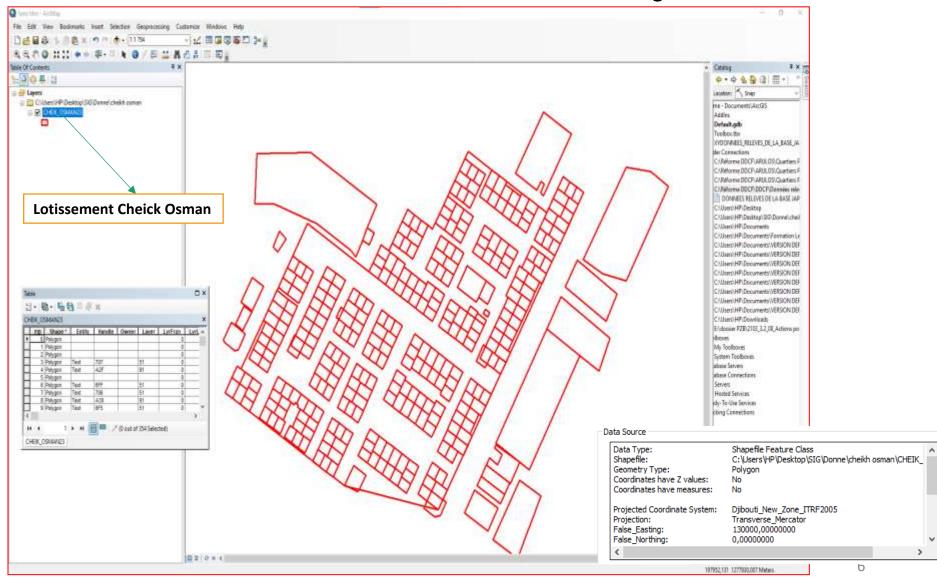
- La plupart des habitations sont informelles, impliquant l'occupation illégale des domaines publics et la construction avec des matériaux temporaires et récupérés et ne tiennent pas compte des <u>exigences du plan d'aménagement urbain en vigueur.</u>
- Ainsi 13 quartiers de Djibouti-ville sont identifiés <u>comme étant de bidonville</u> et nécessitant une stratégie d'étude de réaménagement et de restructuration urbaine.
- Le tableau suivant récapitule les quartiers objet des opérations de restructuration, d'alignement et de réaménagement <u>des zones du projet de Zéro Bidonvilles (PIRB)</u>:

<u>Tableau 1 : Quartiers cibles du projet de zéro Bidonville</u>

| Noms des quartiers | Surface (ha) | Population | Nombre de Ménages | Commune |
|--------------------|--------------|------------|-------------------|---------|
| Djaga Boudouq | 15.5 | 6096 | 1066 | Boulaos |
| Cité d'Arhiba | 14.3 | 6337 | 1667 | Boulaos |
| Harirad | 11.5 | 7314 | 1306 | Balbala |
| Vietnam | 8.9 | 2646 | 472 | Balbala |
| Quarawil-Pompage | 24.7 | 7163 | 1279 | Balbala |
| Balbala Ancien | 42.5 | 15652 | 2830 | Balbala |
| Quartier T9 | 8.6 | 2322 | 414 | Balbala |
| Bâche à eau | 29.3 | 10928 | 1951 | Balbala |
| Quartier 11 | 4.1 | 1123 | 200 | Balbala |
| Warabaleh II | 45 | 10575 | 1880 | Balbala |
| Tora Dorah | 12.5 | 2375 | 602 | Balbala |
| Moustiquaire | 125 | 23875 | 6049 | Balbala |

DDCF: Réalisation des activités de réforme au niveau du système cadastral

- L'utilisation des données cadastrales à l'aide d'un logiciel ARCGIS PRO



DDCF : Nouveau système de coordonnées géodésiques unique pour Djibouti

Après l'installation et la configuration **de la station permanente GNSS**, la DDCF a programmé une série d'observation des anciens points connus à l'aide des nouveaux outils pour contrôler leurs coordonnées.

Photo 1 : Réunion de concertation avec les institutions utilisatrices GNSS









Les principaux partenaires de premier plan et utilisant les données géospatiales qui ont pris part à la réunion :

- ✓ DATUH
- ✓ ARULOS
- ✓ SIAF
- ✓ ADR

DDCF: Nouveau système de coordonnées géodésiques unique

- Suite à la définition du référentiel géodésique, la DDCF a acquis une station permanente installée sur le toit de la Direction Générale, <u>avec l'assistance technique du prestataire Leica.</u>
- → La station permanente dénommée DJIB1 enregistre les données Rinex par jour et les fichiers sont mis à jour automatiquement dans le serveur en vue de les utiliser à des fins de traitement des données obtenues en post-traitement.



Le système de référence géodésique

ITRF 2005 défini ci-dessous, a été
choisi comme le système de
référence officiel pour tous les
travaux géodésiques

| Système de référence | ITRF 2005, époque 2012.27 | |
|----------------------|--|--|
| Nom | Réseau Géodésique de Djibouti (RGD) | |
| Type de projection | Transverse Mercator | |
| Ellipsoïde associé | GRS80 | |

Travaux des observations des points géodésiques



DDCF: Renforcement des capacités des agents



Bilan des agents formés dans le cadre de remise à niveau du système cadastral :

 9 Techniciens et géomètres formés pour la prise en main des matériels de gestion des données géospatiales de l'équipement GNSS :

Volet de formation sur les outils GNSS avec l'appui du prestataire Leica



La formation sur le **matériel GS18T** et la tablette SIG et topographique dispensée par le prestataire Leica pour l'utilisation des outils GNSS en lien avec la station Permanente.

Photo 3 : Le démarrage de la formation avancé



Matérialisation des points géodésiques dans les zones identifiées

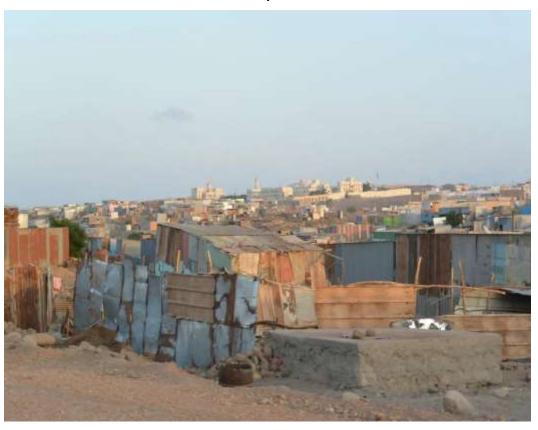
- Le 30 janvier 2024, les techniciens se sont retrouvés pour déterminer les sites d'emplacement de points de la polygonale, le type de bornes et les modalités pratiques des opérations.
- Suite aux opérations de localisation et d'identification des sites choisies, le nombre de points repérées <u>s'eléve au total 78 points de la polygonales dans la ville de Djibouti.</u>

Photo 2: Vues des sites choisis pour l'emplacement des points de polygonale



L'amélioration des conditions de vie urbaine et foncière des habitants des bidonvilles

<u>Photo 1 : Quartier Layableh-moustiquaire</u>
Avant les opérations PZB



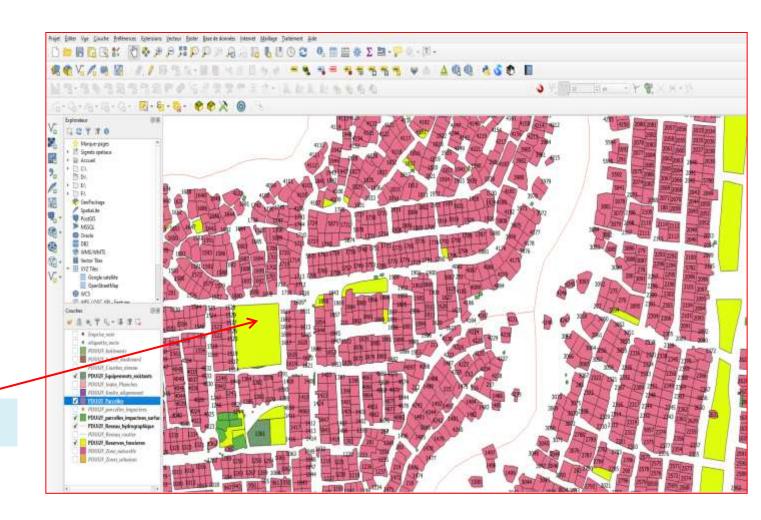
Ce quartier est caractérisé par :

- √ l'absence d'un plan d'aménagement et d'alignement
- ✓ Absence d'un plan d'équipement public
- ✓ Manque de voirie et de mobilité urbaine
- ✓ Faiblesse en terme d'accès à l'eau potable et à l'électricité
- ✓ Forte insécurité foncière (faible enregistrement dans le registre foncier détenues par la sous-conservation foncière de la DDCF.
- ✓ vulnérabilité extrême aux phénomènes naturels (Inondation, incendie etc..)
- ✓ Absence de la fiscalité foncière dans les zones non enregistrées.

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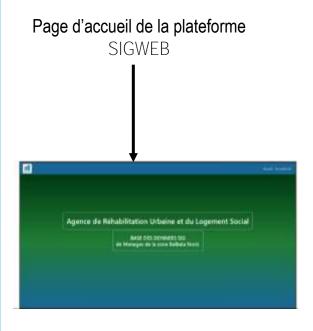
Plans détaillé d'aménagement et d'alignement du quartier de Layableh dans le cadre du PZB (Version définitive)

Plan **d'équipement** projeté



MISE EN PLACE D'UNE BASE DE DONNEES DES MENAGES DE LA ZONE DE BALBALA NORD

- + La gestion des données fonciers est dans la plateforme SIG WEB qui sera hébergé au niveau du cadastre comportera les avantages suivants pour la DDCF:
- 1- Permettre le traitement rapide des données cadastrales à travers l'interface
- 2- Visualiser l'ensemble des données foncieres mises à jour sur l'ensemble de Balbala Nord





DDCF: Des défis majeurs rencontrés en 2023

Au cours de l'année 2023, <u>la DDCF a confrontée des défis majeurs</u> qui sont liées à la transformation de son système cadastral mais aussi des défis d'ordre administratifs.

- Parmi les principaux défis à relever sont les suivants:
- o I- la réorganisation des procédures de traitement des demandes de régularisation foncière des zones cibles du projet et en particulier dans les zones périphériques et dans les anciens quartiers populaires de Djibouti (qui constituent un manque à gagner en termes de recettes domaniales et fiscales en raison de leur insécurité foncière).
- II- Renforcer les capacités nationales d'élaboration et de mise en œuvre des stratégies nationales du foncières
- III- Promouvoir la synergie d'action des partenaires nationaux au développement en matière de gestion foncière
- IV- Les textes régissant le foncier ne sont pas adaptés au contexte actuel de développement socio-économique et urbain et nécessite une réforme pour suivre de près le progrès et la mutation du territoire urbain
- V- L'absence d'une politique foncière axée sur l'harmonisation et le cadrage de l'ensemble des activités socio-économique du pays
- VI- La sécurisation des périmètres agricoles identifiés comme zones à forte potentialité

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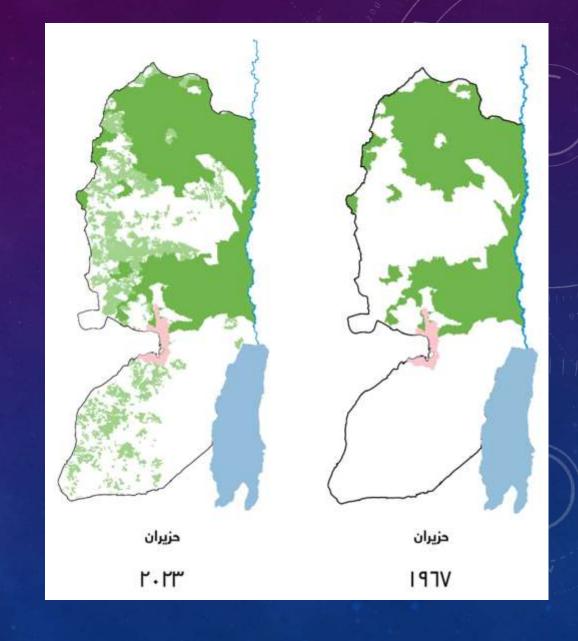
LWSC FACTS AND FIGURES

- LWSC was established in 2016 (Decree 7/2016)
- Responsible for Systematic Land Registration in Palestine
- 32% of the West Bank was registered by the Jordanian government prior to 1967 (Total area around 5.843 Million Dunums)
- Registration stopped by Israeli Occupation Military order 291 in 1968
- Work resumed by PLA in 2006
- 61,687 Dunums were registered through LAP 1 and LAP 2 Projects

LWSC FACTS & FIGURES II

- Work accelerated after establishment of LWSC
- 2016- 2024, 1.559 Million Dunums were registered
- Remaining area around 2.2 Million Dunums
- Real Estate Registration Project in Palestine (RERP) financed by the World Bank came into effect in January 2019
- Project aims at enhancing Systematic registration of lands by LWSC and enhancing the abilities of PLA

REGISTERED LANDS 1967 VS 2023



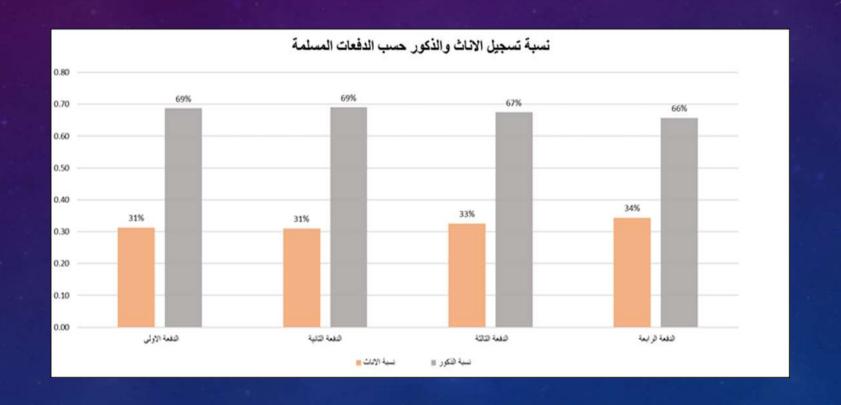
SYSTEMATIC LAND REGISTRATION IN NUMBERS WOMEN

- Around 1.14 Million Palestinian citizens benefited from SLR
- 743,259 title deeds registered for males (68%)
- 353,018 title deeds registered for females (32%)

RIGHTS OF WOMEN AND VULNERABLE GROUPS

- Working on registering property rights with no differentiation is at the core of the Commission's mandate
- Commission and its teams try their best to consolidate rights of women and vulnerable groups in society as a general policy
- Among the activities of RERP, a Gender Action Plan was designed and endorsed
- The plan was implemented, including awareness campaigns, meetings, workgroups, in addition to printed material and media campaigns
- All of this helped consolidate women's rights to ownership and free will

REGISTRATION FOR FEMALES IN AREA A, B (RERP) (PERCENTAGE PER DELIVERED REPORT)



CONCLUSION

- We can claim that women's ownership in Palestine is among the highest in the Arab region
- Land Settlement activities contributed actively in securing those rights of ownership
- We will continue with our policy of supporting the rights of women and vulnerable groups as a general policy
- I hope this concise summary helped shed the light on Land Registration activities and their impact
- Thank you for your time











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oi. PROJECT OVERVIEW



I.I Key Information

| ☐ Implementing Agencies | Ministry of Finance (MOF) Palestine Land Authority (PLA) Land Water and Settlement Commission (LWSC). | |
|----------------------------------|---|--|
| ☐ WB Board of Directors Approval | ➤ 22 nd of July 2019 | |
| ☐ Project Effectiveness Date | > 5 th of March 2020 | |
| ☐ Closing Date | > 30 th of November 2024 | |
| ☐ Project Budget | > 10.1 Million USD | |

1.2 Project Component

Component 1:

Systematic Land and Property Registration (USD 5.1 Million)



Component 2:

Institutional Modernization of the PLA (USD 3.7 Million)



Component 3:

Project Management and Outreach (USD 1.3 Million)



1.3 Project Objective

- **✓** Enhance tenure security
- ✓ Improve real estate registration services
- **✓** Streamline property valuation
- ✓ Promote private sector growth
- ✓ Address gender disparities in property ownership

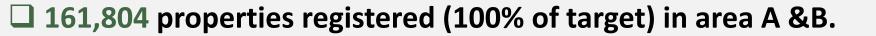




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KEY ACHIEVEMENTS





☐ Women were the registered owners of **31**% of the properties in the target communities.

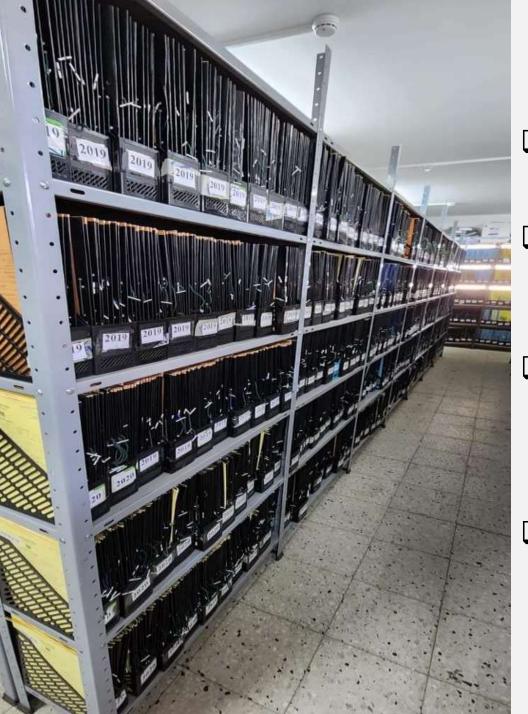
□ Average registration time reduced from 10.5 months to 5 months.

☐ PLA centralized digital archive implemented and operational.

☐ Gender Action Plan fully implemented (150% of target

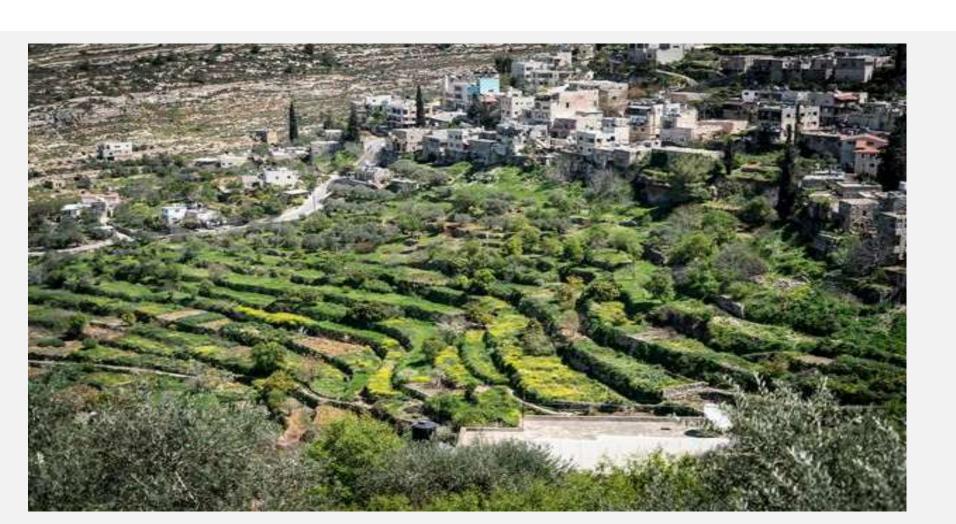






- ☐ Palestinian Geodetic Reference Framework developed.
- ☐ Methodology and standards for property valuation developed and endorsed.
- A viable GRM system is in place ensuring that the population has the access to seek resolution with no intimidation or coerciveness.
- ☐ Total disbursed amount: \$8.7 million (86% of total grant) as of March 31, 2024

03. LAND ADMINISTRATION ENHANCEMENT



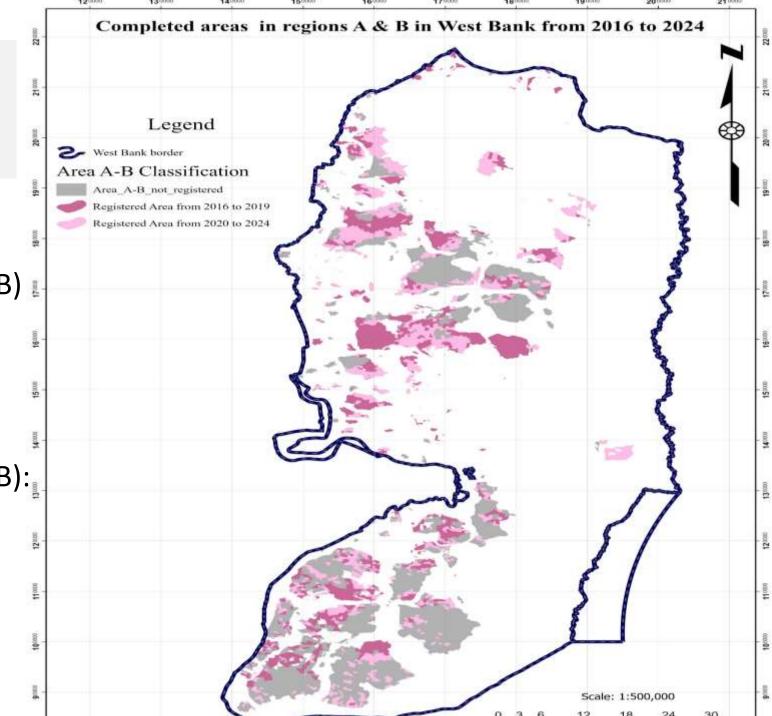
Systematic Land Registration (SLR) Enhancement

- □ Registered from 2016 2019 (A&B) Registered before the project
- > 318,841.5

- ☐ Registered from 2020 2024 (A&B):

 Registered by the project
- > 287,920.2

☐ Remaining in (A&B)= 598,672



3.1 Systematic Land Registration (SLR) Enhancement

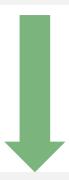
Methodology:



- Streamlined systematic land registration process through upgraded unified procedures.
- Integration of all LWSC active offices (89) through one digital platform (i.e. PMIS) that has streamlined the registration process through real-time monitoring of SLR, which enabled decision-making.
- Bolster LWSC human capacity with 120 staff distrusted among the governorates.

3.2 Strengthened Tenure Security

Methodology:



- Enhanced digital infrastructure and security through property title deed digitization in all 15
 PLA active offices (150% of target).
- Improved transparency and coordination in the land sector through unified property valuation procedures, unified geodetic framework, and access to a centralized property information digit al archive, laying the foundation of integration between land sector relevant institutions.
- Improved service delivery to citizens and businesses by enabling them to conduct land administ ration functions from any PLA office.



4.1 Gender Disparities in Access to and Ownership of Land

- A worldwide issue (less than 15% of landowners are women).
- In the Middle East, North Africa, Latin America, and the Caribbean between **5%-18%** of landowners are women.
- In Palestine, only 7% of landowners are women.
- The Palestinian Basic Law and Law of Personal Status offer provisions for certain protections for women, however, they don't explicitly address women's land rights.
- Legal Provisions for Women's Inheritance lack; incrimination against fraudulent practices or intimidation, do not guarantee women's inheritance rights by force of the law and are gender-neutral which leads to disparities in land ownership and inheritance.

4.2 Advancing Women Land Rights in Land Registration Project

Advancing policies, legislation and procedures:

- Promoting the enforcement of Law (6), regarding inheritance rights.
- RERP's recommendations regarding the required legislative amendments to Land and Water Settlement Law number (40) of 1952 were adopted by the PMO.
- In 2024, the Unified Settlement Procedures Manual of 2018, is updated to become more gender-responsive, key amendments included:

-More details to avoid discretionary interpretation, new sections on Settlement Courts and GRM, awareness raising procedures, rapid Assessment studies as a preventive method and updated selection criteria of the Land Identification Committee (LIC) to include women as a must.



- Institutionalizing gender equality in land sector institutions:
 - Gender perspective is integrated within internal processes at the planning, implementation & evaluation levels.
 - Gender participation is promoted at the management level through strengthening Gender Units (GUs).
- The performance of land registration personnel in promoting gender equality is enhanced.
- Settlement judges' capacities and level of engagement in improving the performance of settlement courts are advanced









The level of citizens' and SCOs' engagement in land registration processes is promoted through awareness-raising campaigns and networking.







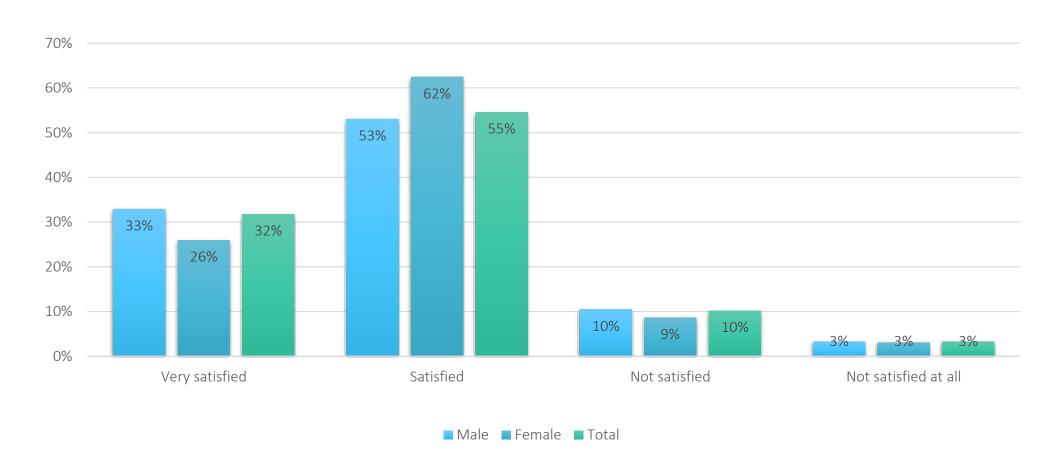
05.

SUCCESS STORIES



(87%) beneficiary satisfaction with improved real estate registration services, with females (88%) scoring slighter higher than males (86%)

General satisfaction with the settlement project



Significant capacity building of LWSC and PLA staff (1,226 individuals trained out of 200 targeted, including 590 females out of 80 targeted)





Laying foundation for a modern, service-oriented, gender-responsive land administration system





To ensure the application of Decree-Law No. (6) of 2023 Regarding Inheritance Rights, a procedural manual was developed and will contribute to; expediting the process of women obtaining their rights,

having a Palestinian judiciary that is specialized in inheritance cases prompt adjudication of cases,

guaranteeing the principle of justice for all and enforce the right to obtain legal assistance.





06. FURURE VISIONS





- Develop a modern, transparent, and well-governed land sector that:
 - Enables women and marginalized groups to access their property rights
 - Serves all relevant public and private sector institutions and citizens
 - Advances the governance agenda of the Palestinian government
- Complete systematic land registration for 50% of remaining properties in Areas A, B, and C within 5 years
- Promote women's land ownership rights and collaborate with civil society to empower women and marginalized groups
- Make the land sector more responsive to gender, ultimately improving the socioeconomic status of families and society

6.1 Future Strategy- PLA

- Maintain all property-related transactions and documents through the widespread application of digital systems
- Enhance partnerships with relevant institutions to provide data for developing the land sector
- Enhance the government's ability to analyze gender-disaggregated data in the land sector
- Empower and build specialized technical capacities of PLA.
- Strengthen national policies related to the land sector and their implementation frameworks.

6.2 Future Strategy- LWSC

■ Register 300,000 title deeds in the next five years

Strengthen the institutional capacity of LWSC.

- Integrate systems with partner institutions for data and information exchange to facilitate the settlement process.
- Recruit specialized staff to support extensive registration processes

Empower and build specialized technical capacities of settlement court staff.





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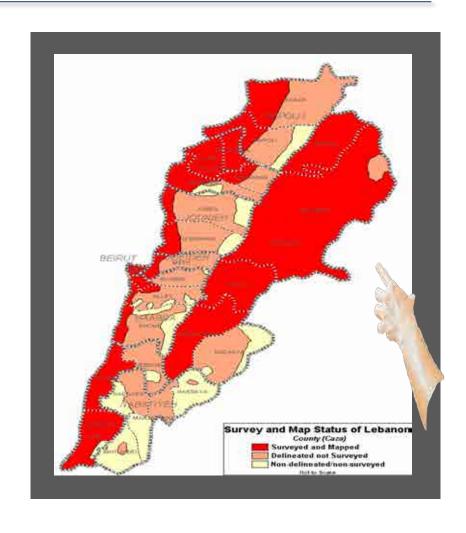
The State of Land Administration and Geo-Information in Lebanon



Land Status in Lebanon



- Almost 65% of Lebanese territories are delineated and surveyed.
- 25% are delineated
- 10% needs to be delineated and surveyed



The current situation in Lebanon regarding land administration, Cadastre, and Geo-Information is complex and multifaceted

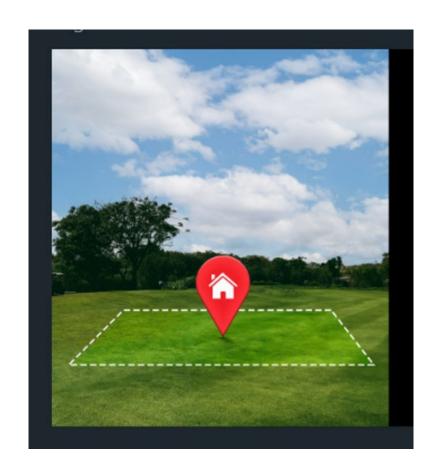


Focus Areas



The General Directorate's work spans three main areas:

- Land Registry and Surveying departments
- 2. Private State property
- 3. Ownership by non-Lebanese

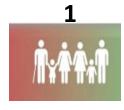




Linking to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



Aligning land initiatives with SDGs promotes transparency, equity, and resilience in Lebanon's development



Transparent land administration ensures secure land tenure, aiding poverty eradication



Gender-responsive land policies foster women's empowerment



Modernized land practices contribute to resilient, inclusive urban areas



Sustainable land management mitigates climate change impacts



Target Determination





01

Rehabilitating ICT
infrastructure for
securing data and
improving public and
electronic services &
Linking applications
between Land Registries
and Cadastre &



02

Speeding up the approval of the law project to unify registration procedures via notary public, completed in collaboration with the French government



03

Unifying
Valuation
between land
registry, built
property tax, and
municipalities



04

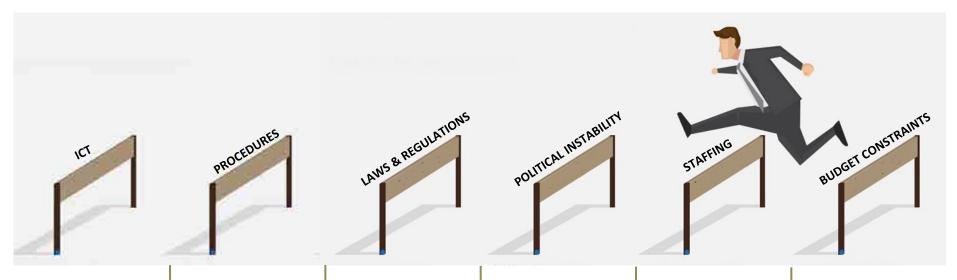
Private State
Property
Improvements

Benefits: Economic movement improvement, transparency, and service unification



Geo-Information & Land Administration challenges





Obsolete IT Infrastructure Hindering Data Management Lack of Uniform procedures Political stalemate that prevents the adoption/amendment of laws, decrees and regulations

Delays the strategic planning and projects development Difficulty in maintain the workforce due to the status of the local currency

Budget constraints pose significant challenges for progress in any aspect



Put into Action



Continuous improvement of land administration processes, expansion of geoinformation infrastructure, and strengthening institutional capacity for sustainable land management

Short Term

Rehabilitation of the IT systems:

- Upgrade the IT obsolete systems. (HW/SW/Security)
- Establishment of a DR site.
- Training of the IT staff on new technologies.
- Rehabilitation of data centers.
- Licenses, Maintenance and Support.

Medium Term

- Establishing a Valuation System
- Empowering State Land Management
- Collaborating with international partners for knowledge exchange and technical assistance
- Adopting advanced technologies such as GIS and remote sensing.

Long Term

- Changing laws and practices
- Enhancing technical and administrative capacities
- Implementing Training programs for land Integration and Technological Solutions





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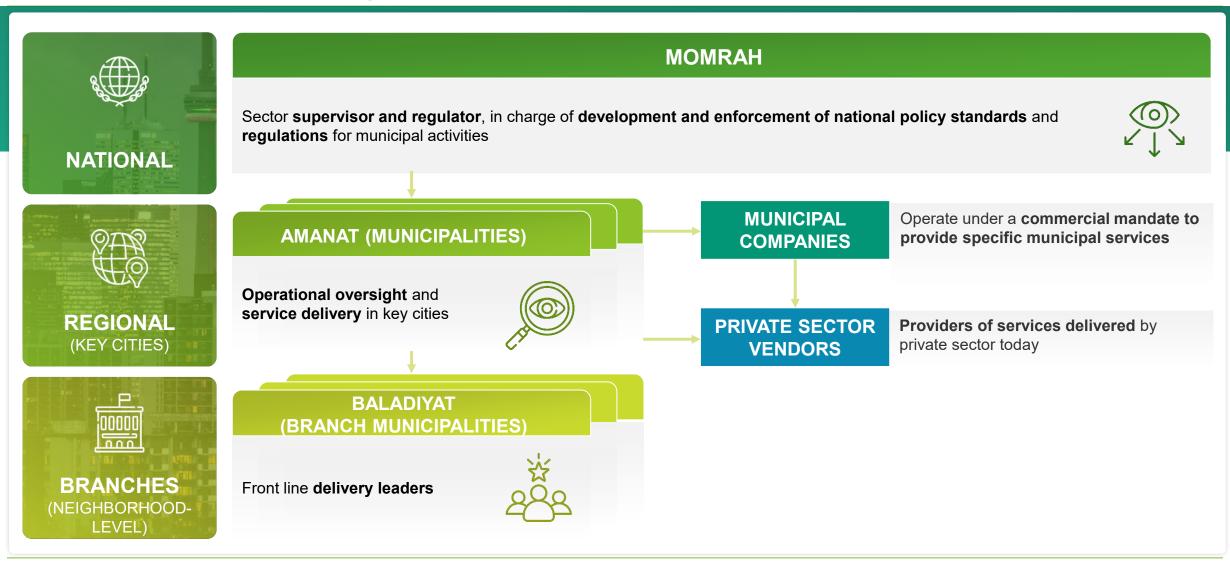
Municipal investments and Public Private Partnerships (PPPs)





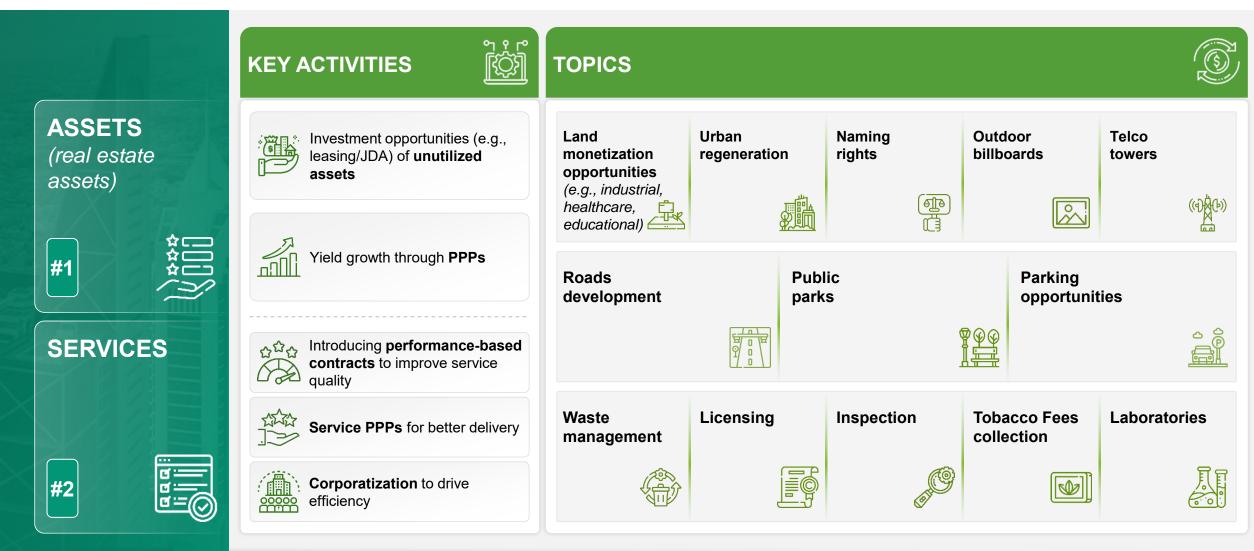


Introduction to the municipal sector in KSA





There are two types of investment opportunities within the local municipal sector for international investors





We have a rich pipeline of potential future PPP and investment opportunities

IDENTIFIED PRIORITIZED PPP OPPORTUNITIES WORTH SAR 120B+



ADDITIONAL PLANNED PPP **OPPORTUNITIES**



| | Construction and maintenance of new/existing |
|---|---|
| 2 | Construction and maintenance of new/existing roads and streetlights |

SAR 74B



Waste management services provision





Development and management of public parks

SAR 19B



Development and management of on-street and off-street public parking

SAR 3.4B



Urban regeneration

SAR 1.1B

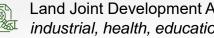


Municipal food safety laboratories

SAR 600M

TOTAL

SAR 120B+



Land Joint Development Agreements (e.g., industrial, health, education, retail, etc.)

SAR 110B



Flood and stormwater development

SAR 80B



Development and management of smart city furniture

SAR 6B



Additional 10 PPP opportunities linked to mobility, social services, licenses



Several key national and municipal ecosystem initiatives have been at a to further enable such investments

NATIONAL INITIATIVES



KEY FOCUS ON PPP ACROSS SECTORS



- Introduced regulations and laws governing PPPs with multiple incentives to attract private sector (e.g., foreign arbitration, gov-guaranteed loans)
- Identification of 200+ PPP priority opportunities across sectors overseen by a dedicated Center of Excellence, NCP and a National Program (as part of KSA **Vision 2030)**

ENABLEMENT OF REVENUE SHARING



 Enabled contractual agreement between public and private sector based on revenue sharing model to streamline procurement of private sector services

EFFORTS TO ATTRACT GROW DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT



- Ministry of Investment MISA and its National Investment Strategy were established to achieve targeted increase in FDI in KSA by more than 20x by 2030
- · Introduced dedicated support services, outreach efforts, financial incentives and others to ease investment in KSA

MUNICIPAL ECOSYSTEM INITIATIVES



MUNICIPAL REAL ESTATE LISTING REGULATIONS



 Introduced new alternative regulations to general procurement law to enable fast use and investment of municipal assets

CENTRALIZED PROMOTIONAL EFFORTS OF INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE MUNICIPAL SECTOR



- Established digital Furas platform as a central investment platform for municipalities to showcase asset monetization opportunities and facilitate end-toend investing
- Launch of Furas investment forums to highlight municipal investment opportunities in the Kingdom

ESTABLISHMENT OF DEDICATED UNITS FOR INVESTMEN AND PPP





- Introduced municipal companies in multiple regions to enhance the management of municipal assets through streamlined procurement with private sector
- Activated dedicated units (deputyships and centers) at MOMRAH and Amana levels to identify and activate investment and PPP opportunities

DEEP DIVE ON MUNICIPAL ECOSYSTEM INITIATIVES ON NEXT SLIDES



Rules and regulations | Overview on Municipal real estate listing regulations issued by MOMRAH



MUNICIPAL REAL ESTATE LISTING REGULATIONS ISSUED BY MOMRAH (BY-LAW AND EXECUTIVE INSTRUCTIONS)



OVERVIEW



FEATURES OF THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK



 Introduced new alternative regulations to general procurement law to enable fast use and investment of municipal assets 1 CONTRACTS' DURATION
Increased from 25 to 50 years for

Increased from **25** to **50** years for mega projects

3 BANK GUARANTEES

Reduced from 100% to 25% of the first year investment yield

5 PRE-QUALIFICATION

Enabling prequalification of investors for mega projects

2 CONSTRUCTION'S PERMISSIBLE PERIOD



Aligned to the **SiZe** of construction and up to **10%** of total contract duration

4 DIFFERENT ARCHETYPE OF INVESTMENT'S MODEL



Partnership with private sector

6 SHORT-TERM LEASING



From **1** to **360** Days



Furas digital investment gateway | Furas platform offers comprehensive services for investors covering the full investment journey and has witnessed strong success

SUCCESS SO FAR

AWARDED VALUE

17B+ SAR in the last 3 years

LISTINGS

25K+ awarded opportunities in the last 3 years

INVESTORS

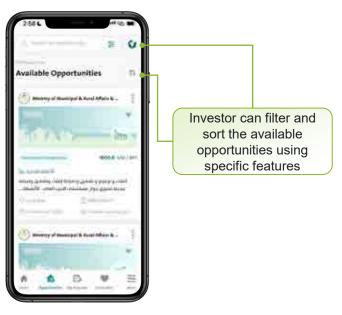
~100K+ investors on the platform



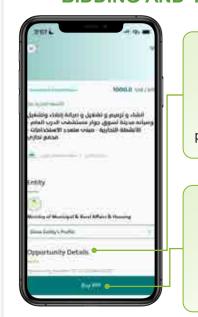
SERVICE

OFFERING

LISTING



BIDDING AND TENDERING



Opportunity details encompass requirements and the deadlines associated with the investment process e.g., deadlines

Investor is required to make the payment via "SADAD"

AWARDING



Explore and discover all investment opportunities listed by municipal and government entities



Purchase RfP, settle payment electronically and directly place bids on opportunities via the platform.



Finalize the agreement and contract management, including activities like site handover and payment scheduling





Furas investment forums | Investment forums demonstrated significant success by attracting ~150 K investors

OVERVIEW

Events aiming to highlight investment opportunities



2 FORUMS WERE LAUNCHED SO FAR WITH ~150K

ATTENDEES

2020

2023

1st Furas forum occurred in Jan 2020 with an attendance target ~18 k participants



2nd forum occurred in Jan 2023 with ~126K attendees



MAIN ACTIVITIES OF FORUM INCLUDE



INVESTMENT PANELS

e.g., well-renowned speakers in the municipal investments



DEAL MAKING

e.g., signing and finalization of contract between asset owners and investors



WORKSHOPS

e.g., tackling challenges and previous experiences

KEY METRICS FROM 2023 FORUM



STAKEHOLDERS PRESENCE

~126+ K attendees

67+
entities / asset owners

INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES

~5000 listed opportunities 125+
signed contracts

REGIONAL REACH







Municipal companies | Efforts have been initiated to improve management of government assets and capitalize on PPP opportunities throughout KSA

KEY MUNICIPAL COMPANIES AND ACTIVITES



NON-EXHAUSTIVE





Riyadh Municipality



Makkah Municipality



Jazan Municipality



Al-Madinah Municipality

Develop and manage **different municipal assets portfolios** e.g., parking, advertisement, etc.



Develop and operate various municipal services



Develop value-add **real-estate projects** on municipal lands



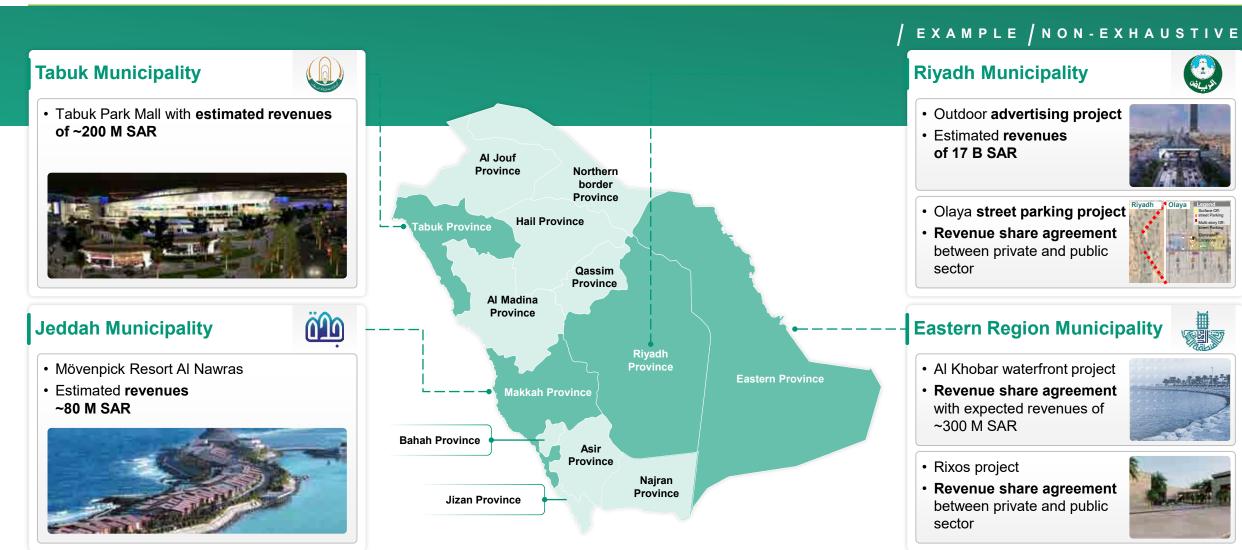
KEY BENEFITS



Municipal companies is a vehicle that brings more flexibility in partnering with the private sector and attracting the needed talent to increase the service delivery quality and extract more value form municipal assets



Across the Kingdom, numerous successful PPPs and municipal investment projects have already been established, with vast potential for more in the future











What is land value capture (LVC) and land-based financing?

An umbrella term used for a set of instruments that leverage the government's ability to obtain a fair share of public benefits and/or land value, through its powers over both private and government-owned land and property.

The benefits from LVC can be:

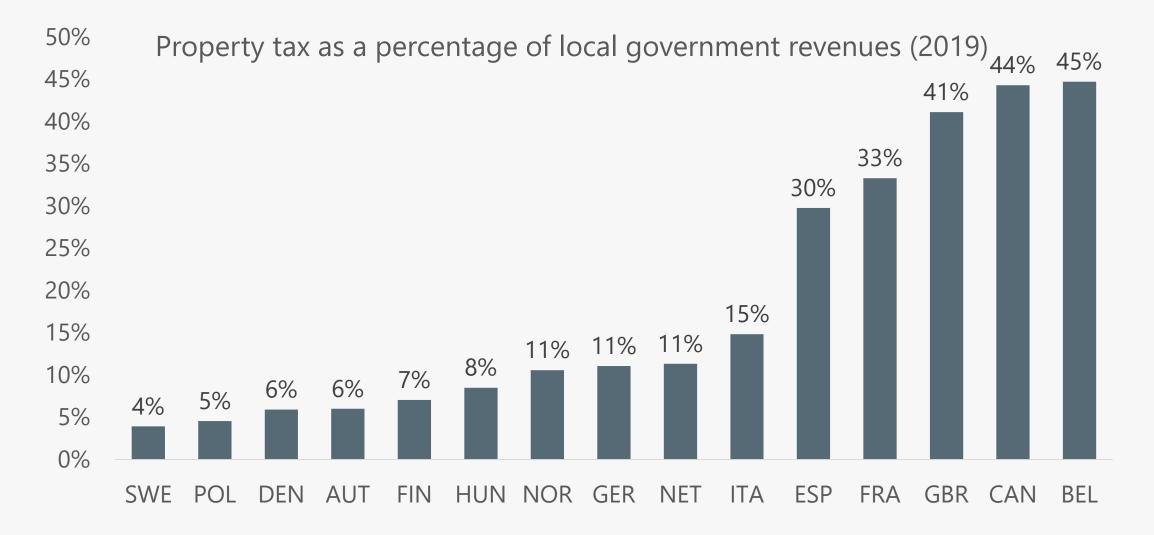
- Monetary
- In-kind

Additionally:

Improved urban and economic development



Property tax is a form of LVC instrument that is widely used





Public land and assets can be used for LVC

Example: Washington D.C.

Former low-rise public library on public land in Washington D.C.





Public land and assets can be used for LVC

Example: Washington D.C.

New apartments above public library, retail, and parking developed



Subsidized apartments, retail, squash courts, fire station and parking



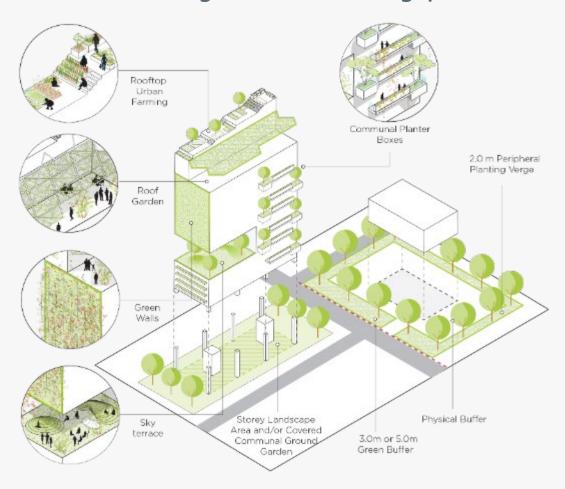
Source: Futurist Architecture

WORLD BANK GROUP

Governments regulate private and public land use for LVC

Example: Singapore

Greenery and public spaces in return for density and/or height bonuses in Singapore



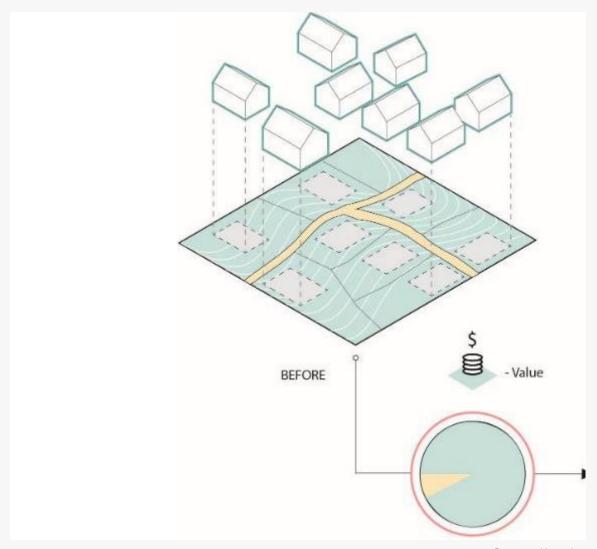


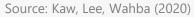
Source: Kaw, Lee, Wahba (2020)

Funan Mall, Singapore. Source: Grant Associates

LVC can be area-based, through instruments like Land Reassembly

Example: Ahmedabad, India

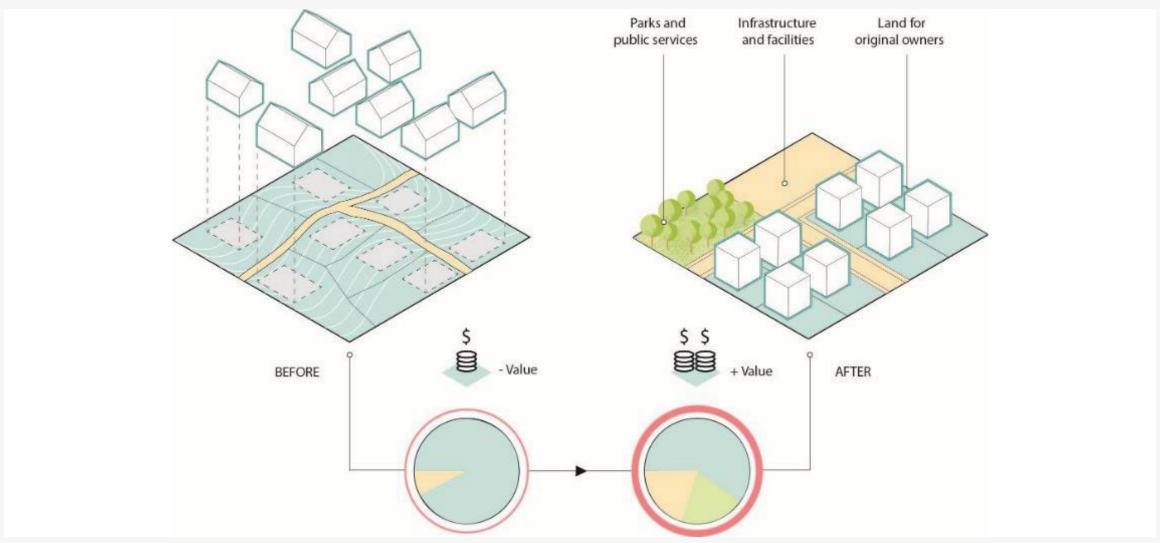






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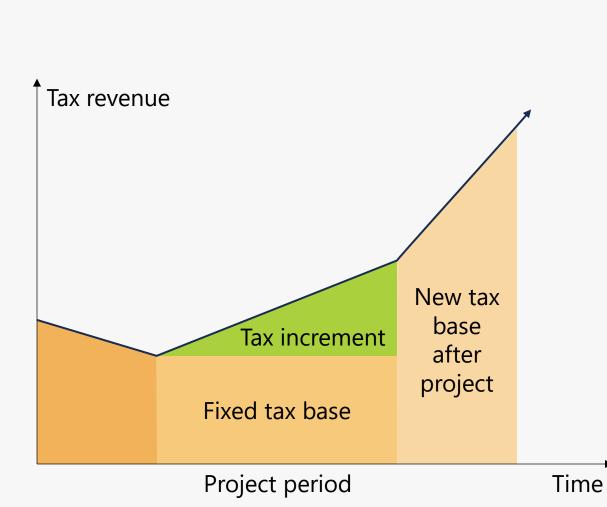


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Complex LVC such as Tax Increment Financing (TIF) require robust property tax systems and municipal capacity

Example: New York



Urban regeneration of a railway yard area into a mixed-used district in New York



Wide range of LVC instruments used internationally

Leases or concessions. Contract allowing a private sector tenant rights to use a site for a period of time, for a payment

Land/property sale. Sale of ownership of vacant or underused municipal land or property

Air rights contracts. Rights to use the space above land in to build a private property

PPPs / Joint development agreements. Joint development between municipality and developer for private and/or public use on municipal land

Naming rights. Selling the naming rights of municipal property to help renovate or maintain their facilities.

Intensification of land uses. Combining several public uses on a government land site or sharing public land or facilities with the private sector.

Sale of development rights / density bonuses. Rights that allow a developer or property owner to exceed the base zoning density in exchange for a payment or an in-kind contribution of public use facility (such as public spaces)

Conversion fee. Conversion of land classified as not-developable for development

Land readjustment. Government re-parcels and regularizes privately-owned land in predefined area; reserves spaces for public use and infrastructure; some sites to pay for infrastructure; and returns smaller but more valuable plots to previous owners

Local property tax. Mandatory recurrent tax levied on land, buildings

Real estate transfer tax. Levied upon completion of transaction

Developer charge/exaction. One-time contribution of land for public facilities/infrastructure in exchange for development rights

Special assessment district. Recurrent fee to recover infrastructure costs from property owners in designated area

Real estate capital gain tax. Levied on increase in property value from its initial purchase

Tax increment financing. Assigning revenues collected from increased tax base to designated area for development

Betterment charge. One-time charge for increase in property value from new infrastructure



Countries where LVC instruments are being successfully implemented

| INSTRUMENT COUNT | | COUNTRIES WHERE INSTRUMENT IS USED |
|------------------|--|---|
| | Leases or concessions | Widely used for short-term leases of vacant municipal land/property; less for commercial investments |
| | Land/property sale | Widely used when applicable |
| | Air rights contracts | Used in Canada, France, India, Philippines, US, Poland, and by government entities managing TOD |
| | PPPs / Joint development agreements | Cost-sharing JDAs for delivering public-use facilities widely used in OECD countries (as PPPs) |
| | Sale of development rights / density bonuses | Some big cities in many OECD countries, Singapore, and some cities in Brazil |
| | Conversion fee | Used in India, Indonesia, and US |
| | Land readjustment | Germany, Japan, India, Ethiopia, South Korea, Philippines |
| | Local property tax | Canada, US, Latin America (16 countries), Europe (33 countries), Asia (24 countries), Africa (25 countries) |
| | Real estate transfer tax | Australia, France, Japan, Russia, Turkey, UK, and US |
| | Developer charge/exaction | Widely used for funding off-site infrastructure and municipal services |
| | Special assessment district | US for medium/large scale infrastructure development (roads, water) |
| | Real estate capital gain tax | Canada, Pakistan and US |
| | Tax increment financing | US states, for medium/large scale infrastructure, urban regeneration, environmental rehabilitation |
| | Betterment charge | Spain, Israel, and a few cities in Latin America |



Other considerations to implementing LVC instruments

| INSTRUMENT | WHO PAYS? | PARTICIPATION | PAYER'S BASE |
|--|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Leases or concessions | Lessee | | Varies, rare |
| Land/property sale | Future owner | _ | Rare |
| Air rights contracts | Owner | Voluntary | |
| PPPs / Joint development agreements | Developer | | |
| Sale of development rights / density bonuses | Developer | Voluntary | Rare |
| Conversion fee | Owners | | Medium |
| Land readjustment | Owners | Voluntary, then mandatory | Rare |
| Local property tax | Owner | | Wide |
| Real estate transfer tax | Seller or buyer | _ | Medium |
| Developer charge/exaction | Developer | | |
| Special assessment district | Owner | — Mandatory | Unknown |
| Real estate capital gain tax | Seller | | Medium |
| Tax increment financing | 0 | | Rare |
| Betterment charge | Owners | | |



Other considerations to implementing LVC instruments

- 1. What are the primary public benefits, and who pays?
- 2. How wide is payers' base? Is this one-time or recurrent? How suitable for short-term vs long-term?
- 3. What level of capacity is needed? What are the transaction costs?
- 4. Are prerequisites met? And is municipal regulation required?
- 5. Is there fiscal autonomy and financial management capacity?
- 6. Is there political acceptance?



• Control of government-owned land/property







| Control of government-owned land/property | Powers to regulate land uses on private and public land | Powers to mandate taxes, fees, in- kind contributions on private land | |
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| " Monetary " (taxes, fee- based, etc.) | Leases or concessions Sales Air rights contracts Naming rights Intensification of land uses | • Conversion fee | Local property tax Real estate transfer tax Special assessment districts Real estate capital gain taxes Tax increment financing Betterment charge |
| and/or "In-kind" (development- based etc.) | • Joint development agreements, PPPs | Development rights / density bonuses Land readjustment | Developer charge/exactions, impact fees |

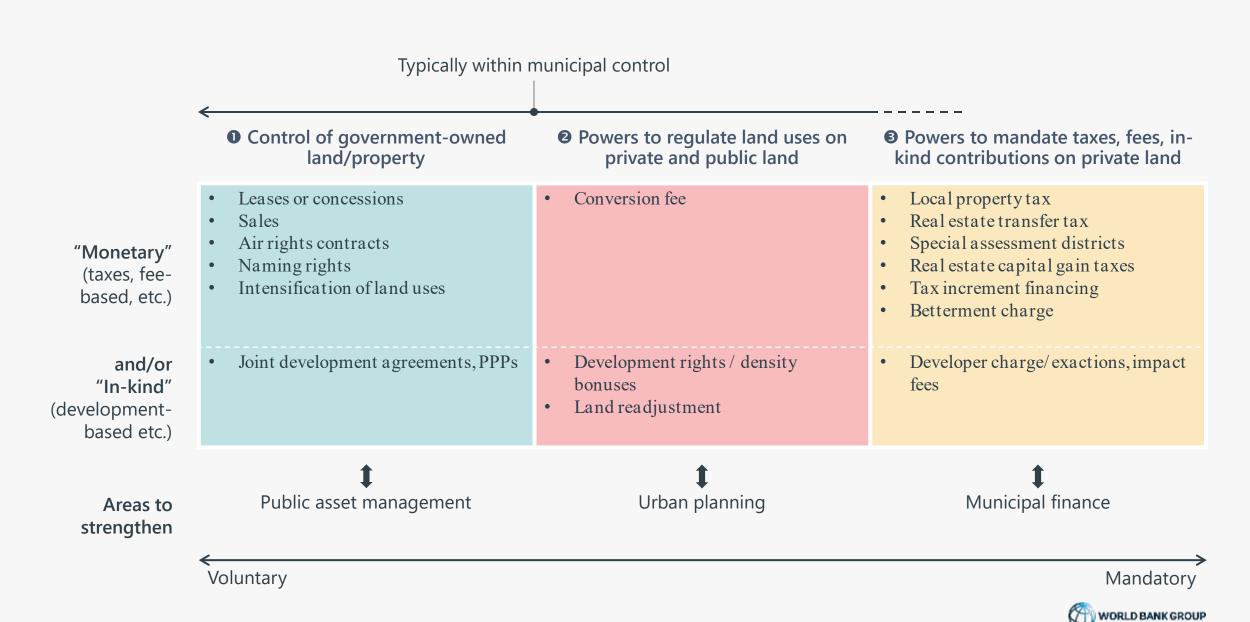




Voluntary



Mandatory



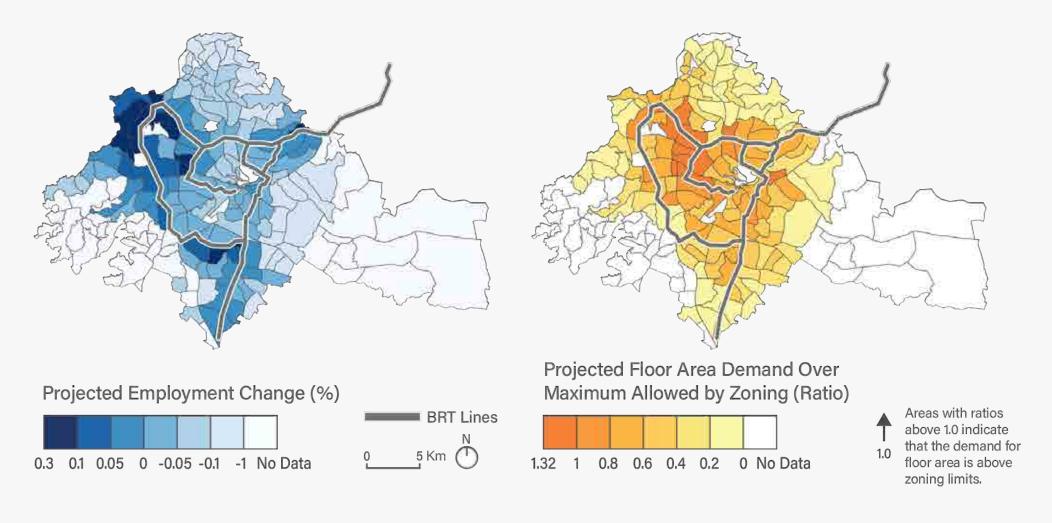
Relevance to cities, and pressure to find new sources of funding infrastructure

- Anemic economic growth
- High unemployment rates
- Indebtedness
- Climate change
- Instability

- Fragmented and inefficient spatial development
- Vacant lands and outdated property taxes
- Underleveraged municipal land and assets
- Outdated planning instruments



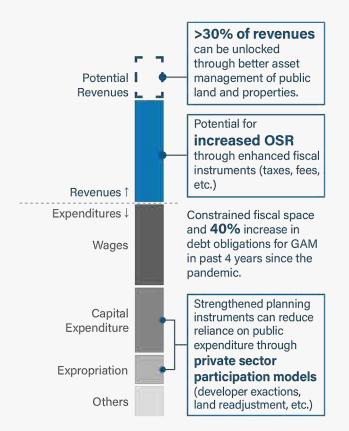
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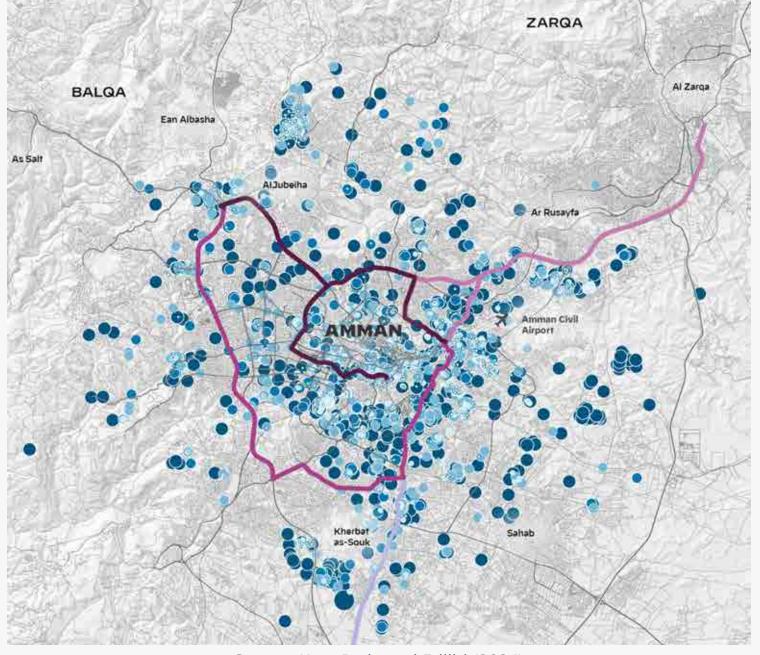


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Strengthening asset management in Amman for LVC



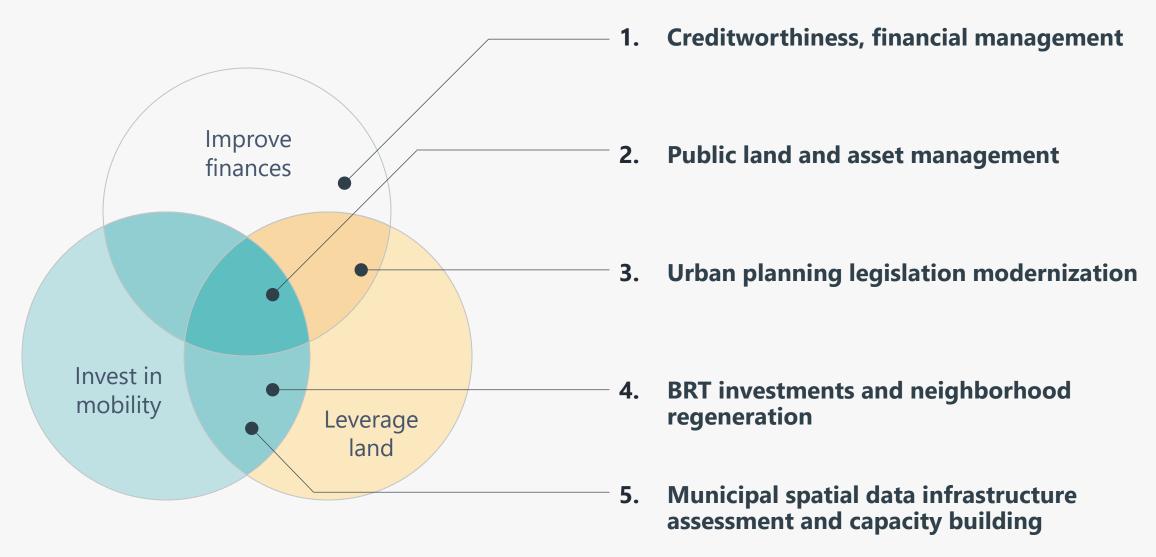


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LVC is a core strategy toward a spatially integrated approach for Amman





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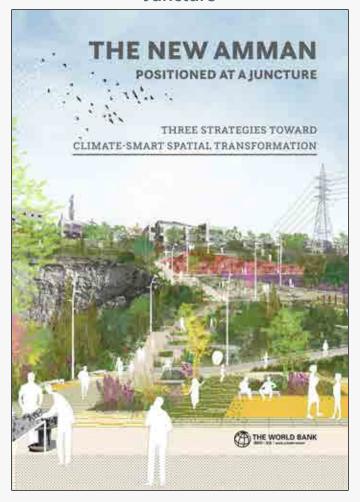
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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this paper is to provide decision makers and practitioners working on issues of infrastructure and service finance with standardized information and data that can assist them in selecting and implementing land value capture (LVC) instruments that could be both relevant and beneficial to their cities and countries. The paper analyses all 16 LVC instruments discussed in the literature and used interruptionally. All the LVC instruments studied in this paper are then classified into flere groups, according to their three sources of government authority. (a) government convership of land; (b) the power to regulate land uses (land-use parameters on both private and public land, and (c) the power to impose taxes and fees (focal insuraments) on private land/property. The instruments are analysed within a unified framework that is comprised of multiple characteristics (e.g., potential public benefit, breadth of the payers' base, scope of global usage, critical pre-requisites, and implementation requirements, etc.). The framework also includes arguments for and against each instrument. This framework seeks to present a balanced picture of each instrument, and one that is unbessed towards any particular vehicle. The paper also discusses a number of broader issues, including the position of LVC instruments among other municipal own-source revinues and within municipal financial and assermanagement generally, policies that local governments can pursue to enhance land value prior to enacting LVC instruments, and typical lack of good governance for many of these instruments. The paper then concludes with a discussion of the primary challenges associated with LVCs and suggests possible ways forward.

The New Amman Positioned at a Juncture





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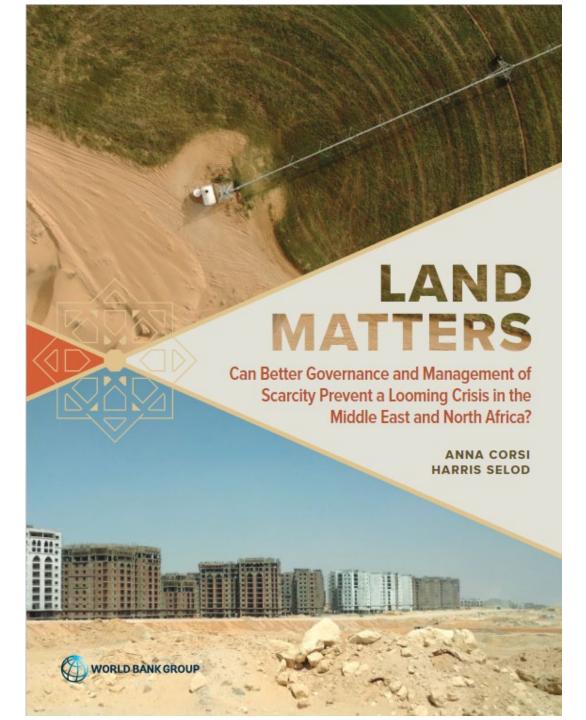
LAND MATTERS

Key takeaways from the MENA Land Flagship report and insights from the report on Women's Housing Land and Property Rights



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OUTLINE

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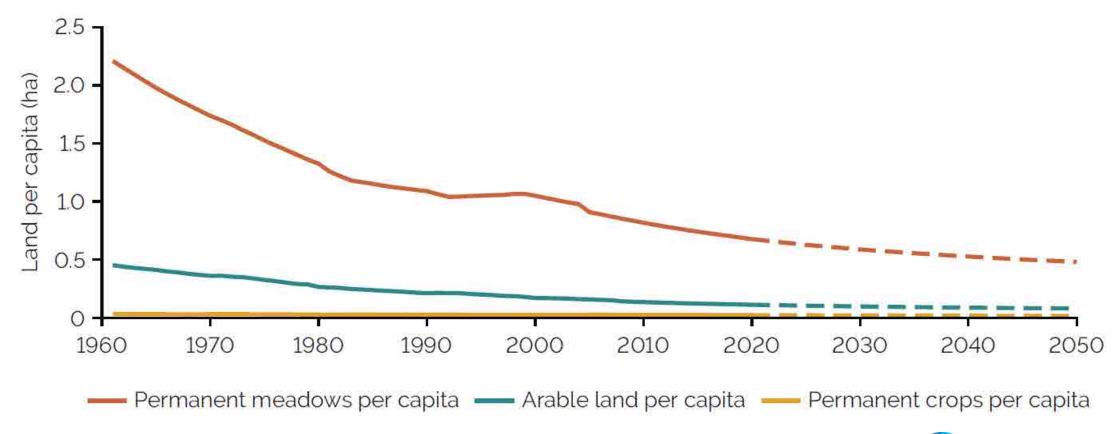
Part I

Main findings



Land scarcity + climate change and population growth = Looming Crisis

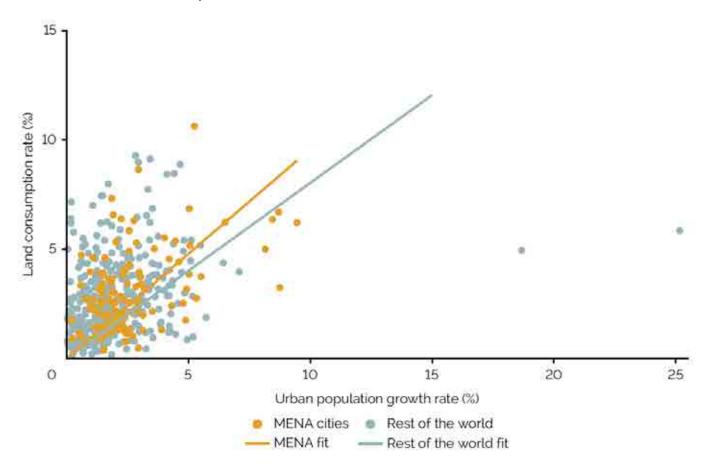
Figure 1: Agricultural land per capita in MENA





Cities need to grow up not out to adapt to increasing land scarcity

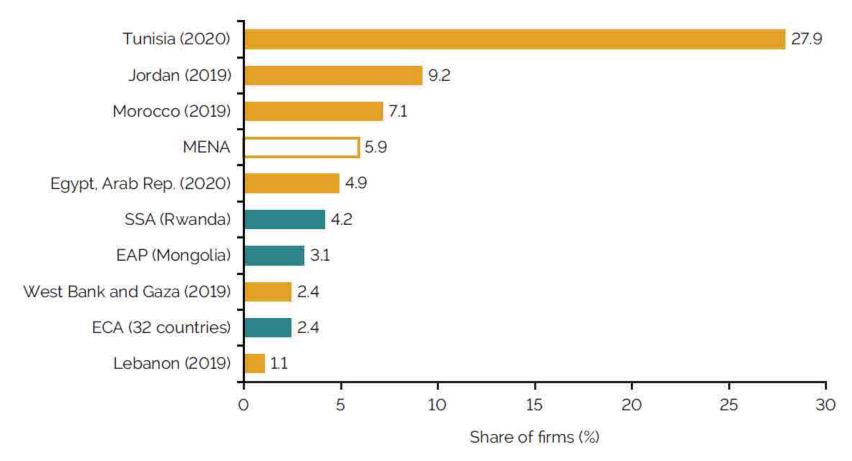
Figure 2: Urban pop. growth and land consumption





Firms have trouble accessing land without political connections

Figure 3: Share of firms with elected/appointed top officers

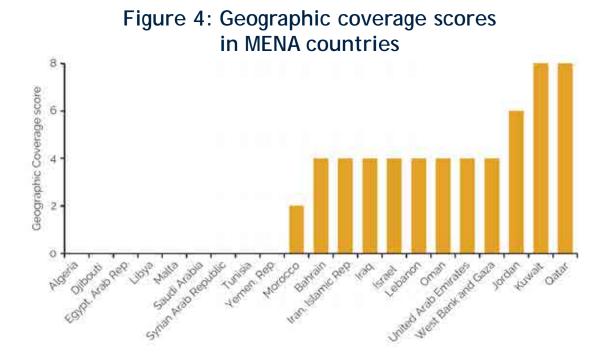




Outdated and complex land systems exacerbate informality

- Lack of modern systems in many countries
- Onerous registration procedures and perception of benefits of registration contribute to low registration

24 percent of urban residents live in slums



and slum prevalence

SYR

OCOST of property registration (% of property value, 2020)

Middle East and North Africa Rest of the world

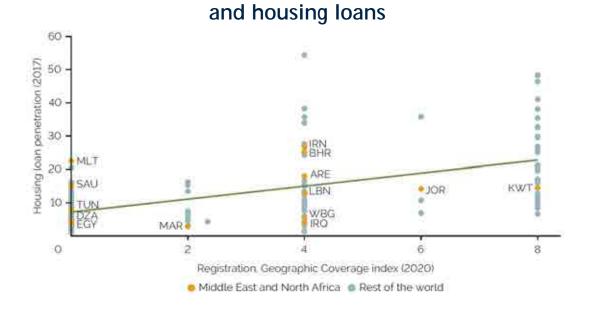
Figure 5: Cost of registration



Weak registration hinders access to credit

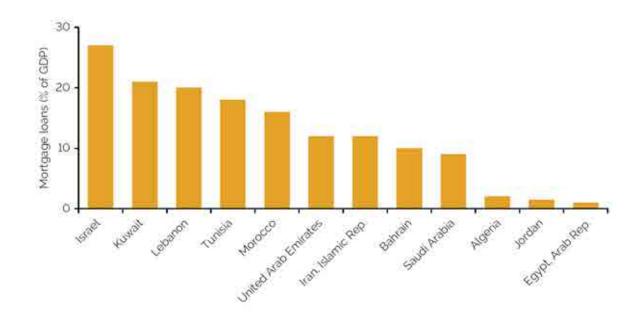
 Housing finance is constrained by low coverage of registries

Figure 6: Registration coverage



Only 9% of households have a mortgage

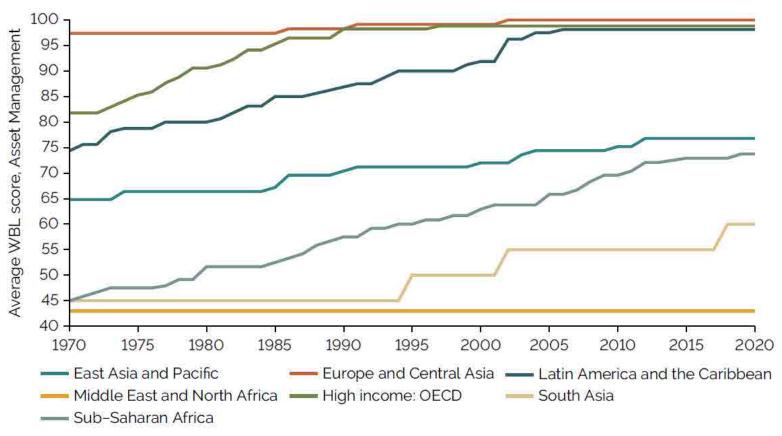
Figure 7: Mortgage loan as % of GDP





Land systems and legislation perpetuate gender inequality

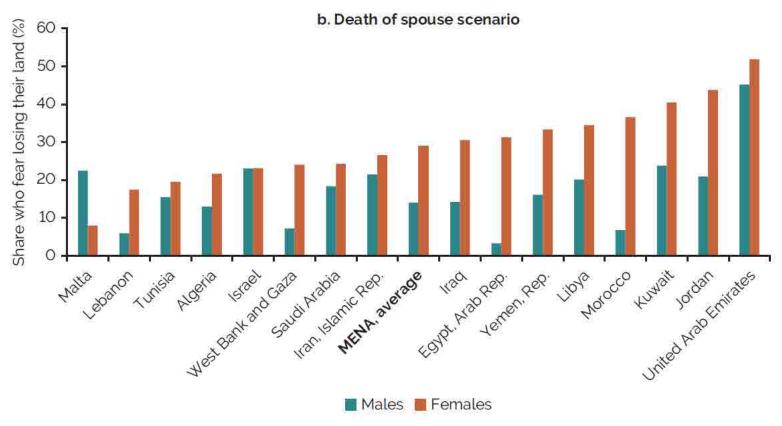
Figure 8: Women, Business and the Law scores for asset management





Women are 2-3x more likely than men to fear land loss

Figure 9: Gender differences in perceived tenure insecurity (spouse death scenario)





Governments fail to manage land to generate public revenues

Figure 10: Land public ownership

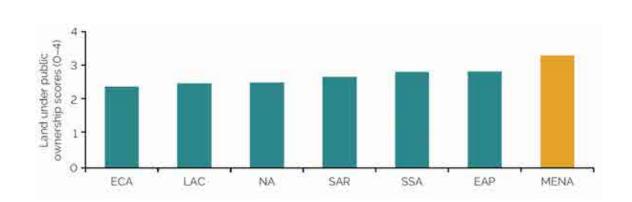
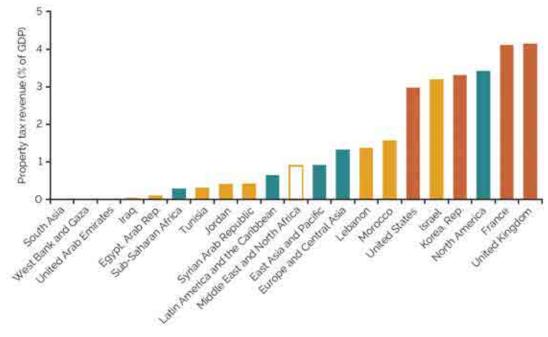


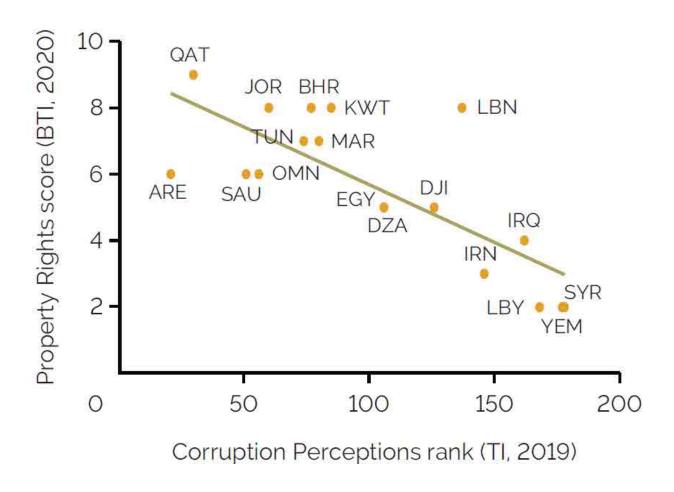
Figure 11: Property tax revenues





Corruption thrives on poorly-defined property rights

Figure 12: Corruption and poor protection of property rights, MENA





Inefficient use of land has environmental, social & economic costs

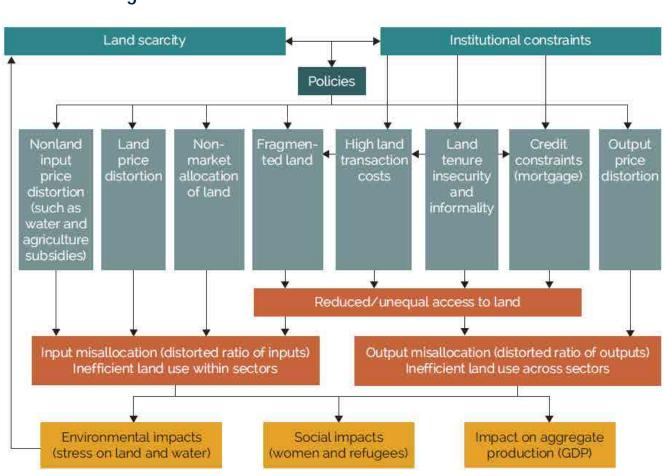


Figure 13: The land misallocation framework



Part II

Policy implications



Land as an enabling factor



Clarity of rights / boundaries

Clarity of mandates

Inventory of assets and rights (including location)

Digitization, Land Information Systems

Valuation and property taxation

Transparent and efficient land management (especially public land)



Land for agriculture



Consolidation of fragmented land

Remove barriers to consolidation

(unclear/overlapping rights, transfer and registration costs)

Explore approaches other than cooperative (e.g., land banks)



Sustainable/
climate smart
agricultural
practices

Promote tenure security



Conversion of rural to urban land

Assess trade-offs and protect informal rights



Strategic objectives

Revisit food independence strategy and support to agriculture in light of water & climate crises



Land for urban development

Move towards integrated urban planning

Stimulate formal land supply

Rethink spatial policies

Rationalize and decentralize mandates on land

Provide accurate and publicly available land information/data

Better plan for future urban growth

Clarify property rights
Improve registration

Better manage public land and mobilize it for development

Unlock "undivided" land owned by multiple owners

Support efficient & sustainable/resilient cities

- Location of industrial zones
- Upgrade existing or build elsewhere
- Vacant land tax



Land for investments & infrastructure

Better access to land

- Improve registration
- Improve access to land information
- Identify/clarify land rights & values for compensation and dispute resolution

Using public land efficiently

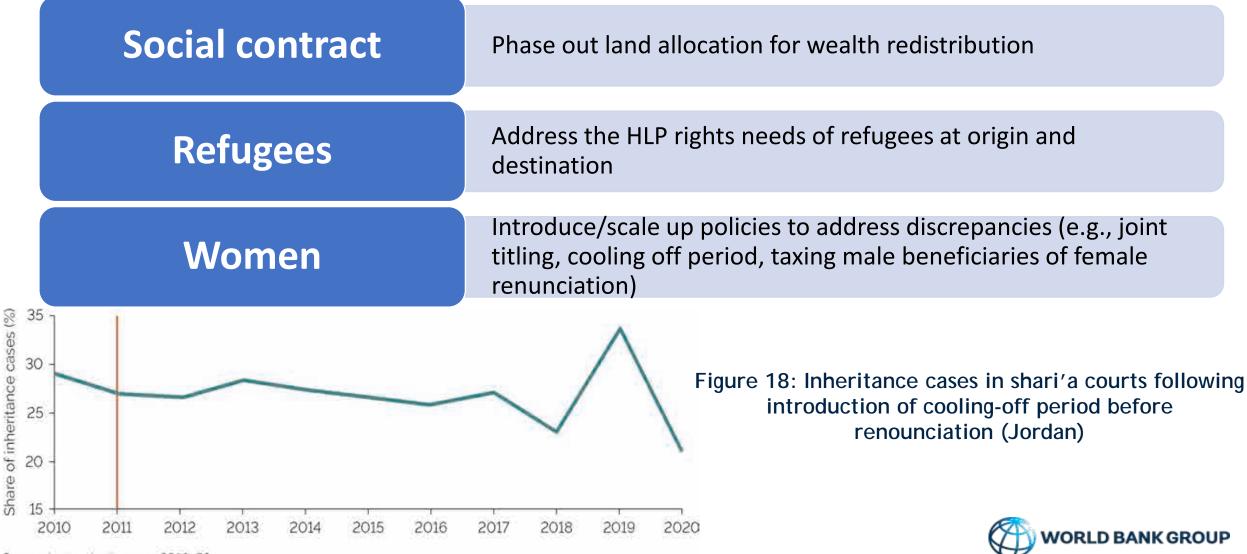
- Inventory state land
- Clarify mandates
- Treat public land as portfolio of assets to be optimized
- Transfer at market prices transparently

Funding infrastructures

- Reduce risk to private sector (clear rights)
- Unlock constraints to capital access
- Improve PPP environment
- Land value capture (start w property tax)



Land for social development and inclusion



Source: Jordan shari'a courts, 2010–20

Note: The vertical line marks the introduction of legal protection from forced renunciation of inheritance

Recommended actions on Women's HLP Rights (from WHLP report)

GOVERNMENTS

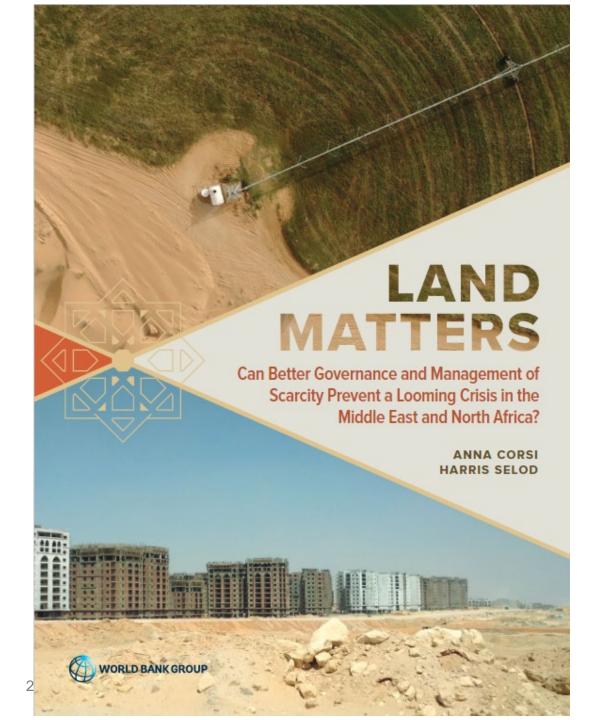
- Implement sound governance principles for land and
 WHLP
- Enact legal and policy changes at national and local levels
- Strengthen partnerships with civil society and customary leadership
- Welcome two-way exchange of information and lessons
- Better use and disseminate data

CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS (CSO) AND COMMUNITIES

- Correct misinformation about the role of religion in WHLP
- Use tools, specialized training, policy research, and technical assistance
- Collaborate with customary and tribal leadership
- Engage with communities and households to tackle social norms and practices

DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS AND FUNDERS

- Integrate gender in **reconstruction programs**
- Use SDG reporting to solidify importance of women's HLP
- Build on **effective practices** (e.g., mandatory joint titling)
- Support better integration of tribal leadership and justice mechanisms into WHLP reforms and projects



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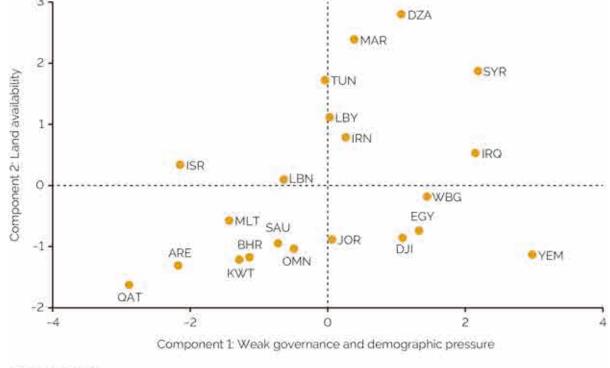
APPENDIX



A taxonomy of challenges

- The challenges and their severity differ within the region (context, stage of reform, capacity)
 - Weakness of governance and demographic pressure;
 - Land availability

Figure 16: Country groups and their challenges



Source: World Bank

Note: This country taxonomy is the outcome of the principal component analysis presented in annex 5A. The horizontal axis associates positive values with countries with weak governance and strong demographic pressure. The vertical axis associates positive values with countries where land is relatively more available. Rotation: orthogonal varimax. See figure 1.4 for country codes:



Landscape of Women's Housing, Land and Property Rights in MENA

Only **about 4-5 percent** of women own land or immovable property.

Factors affecting Women's HLP rights:

<u>Customs and social norms:</u> inconsistent with the formal and Sharia law, often erode WHLP in practice:

- i) National formal law, which often reflects or adopts Islamic law (Sharia).
- ii) Sharia or Islamic law, which does not exist as a single, standardized body of tenets or strictures, engendering variation in its recognition, interpretation, and application.
- iii) Customs and informal practices, often labelled in their application as clannism or customary.

<u>Status:</u> Women who are divorced, abandoned, or widowed, live in rural areas, have less education, are in polygamous marriages, are disabled, or from a minority group may all experience greater difficulties exercising and enforcing their HLP rights

Economic factors: women's low economic empowerment: Female labor force participation is very low despite the highest literacy rate in the world at 68%. Only about 20 percent of working-age women in MENA are employed or are actively looking for a job .

Problematic approaches to *land administration* further limit women's rights in the region.

Lack of data: A general lack of genderdisaggregated data in the region compounds the difficulties in assessing and responding to women's limited HLP rights



Recommended actions on Women's HLP Rights

Governments:

- Better understand and implement sound governance principles for land and WHLP, as well as strengthen partnerships with civil society and tribal or customary leadership around WHLP.
- Bridge the global and national levels with a two-way exchange of information and lessons.
- Use the tools available from the land rights community to make legal and policy changes at national and local levels.
- Better use data for policymaking and disseminate disaggregated data and analysis widely.

Development partners and funders:

- Expand regional collaboration on women's HLP rights and integrate gender in reconstruction programs to ensure women's names are on land documents.
- Use SDG monitoring and reporting to solidify partners' understanding of the importance of women's HLP.
- Build on effective practices and approaches that have been tested at the country level, such as mandatory joint titling.
- Support better integration of tribal leadership and justice mechanisms into WHLP reforms and projects.

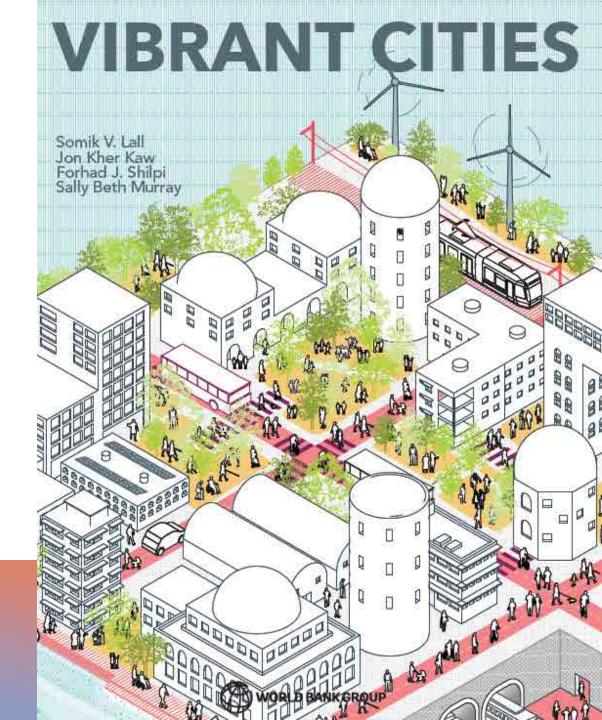
Civil society organizations (CSOs) and communities:

- Correct misinformation about the role of religion in WHLP; clarify that the problem is in large part with clannism and informal practices rather than religion.
- Use the tools and specialized training, policy research, and technical assistance of the land rights.
- Collaborate with customary and tribal leadership.
- Engage with communities and households to tackle social norms and practices that keep women from asserting, protecting, and promoting their rights.

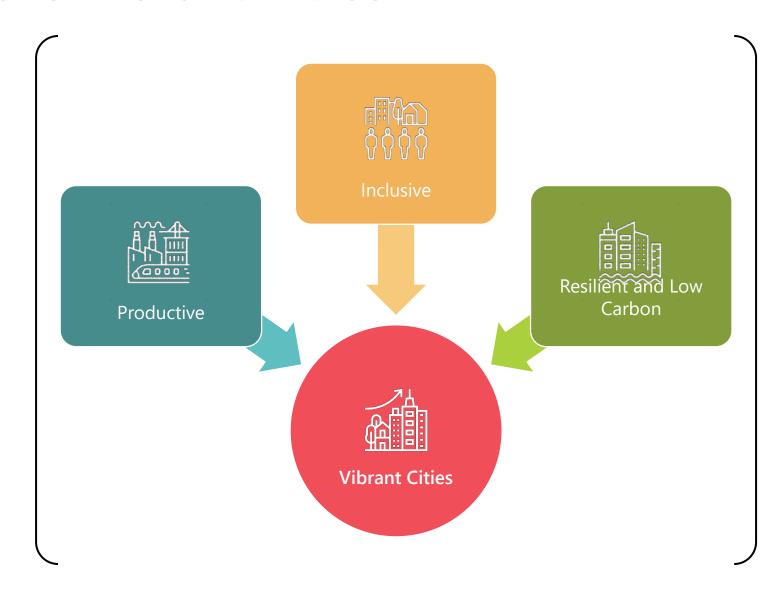
VIBRANT CITIES

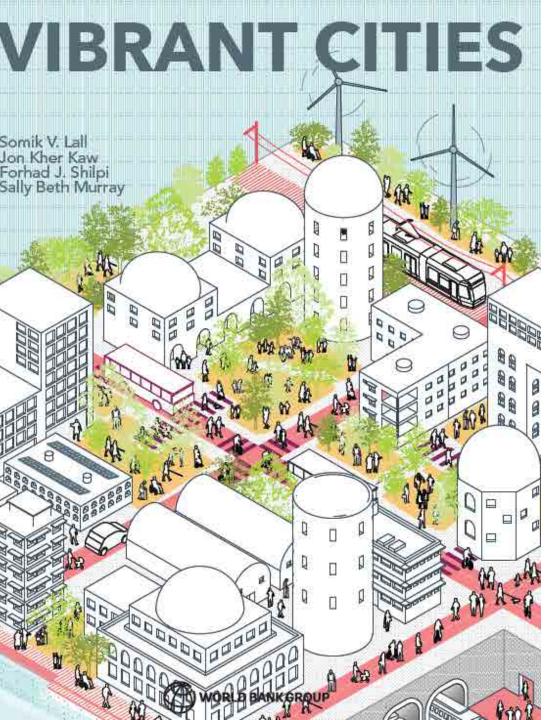
ON THE BEDROCK OF STABILITY, PROSPERITY, AND SUSTAINABILITY

World Bank Land Conference May 17, 2024



What are Vibrant Cities?





What's new?

Evidence

- Resilience to shocks hazards, pandemics
- Management of emissions
- Inequality and mobility withing cities

Analysis

- Complementarities between land use and transport policies in shaping urban development
- Assessments of how congestions erodes urban agglomeration economies
- Cost benefit analysis of urban investment in mass transit and density enhancements on mitigating emissions

Policy Insights

- State capacity as a pre-requisite
- Policy framework Inform, Support, and Protect

Inform, Support, and Protect – on a bedrock of Trust and Legitimacy

- Inform firms and families about land use, land values, and hazard risks — motivating them to act on market signals and on credible knowledge of government policies and plans.
- Support firms and families— with investments in broad-based infrastructure and service provision—increasing efficiency economic, social, and ecological
- Protect vulnerable firms and families— against pandemics, weather events, and other emergencies to buffer shocks on a timely, targeted, and temporary basis

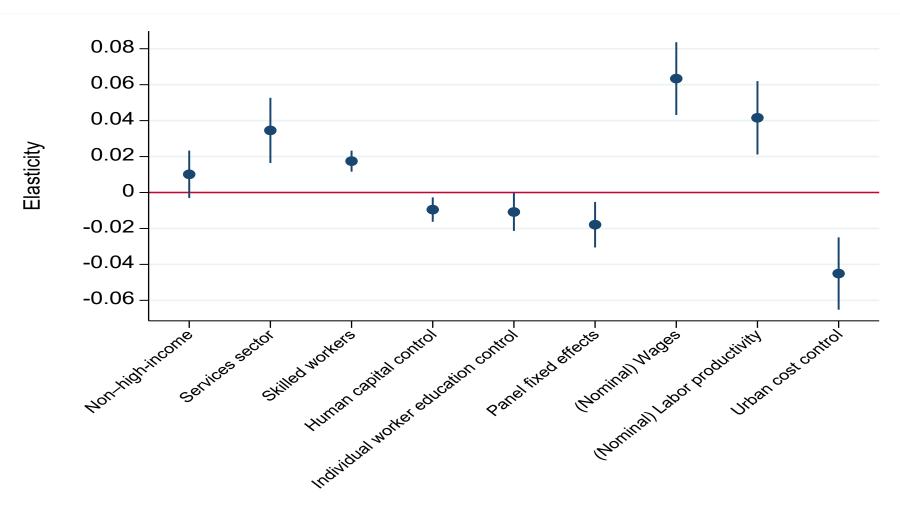
Why do (obvious) reform efforts fail?

- Traditional view: vested interests that would lose from reforms organize themselves to oppose them.
- A modern view: how public servants' and citizens' expectations for each other's behavior (trust and legitimacy)
 - To build legitimacy and trust, city governments must make public officials
 accountable and accessible to firms and families, through mechanisms such as public
 fora and local elections.
 - CONTESTABILITY -- show citizens and investors that markets are governed by common rules, not by privilege and influence COMMUNICATE this.

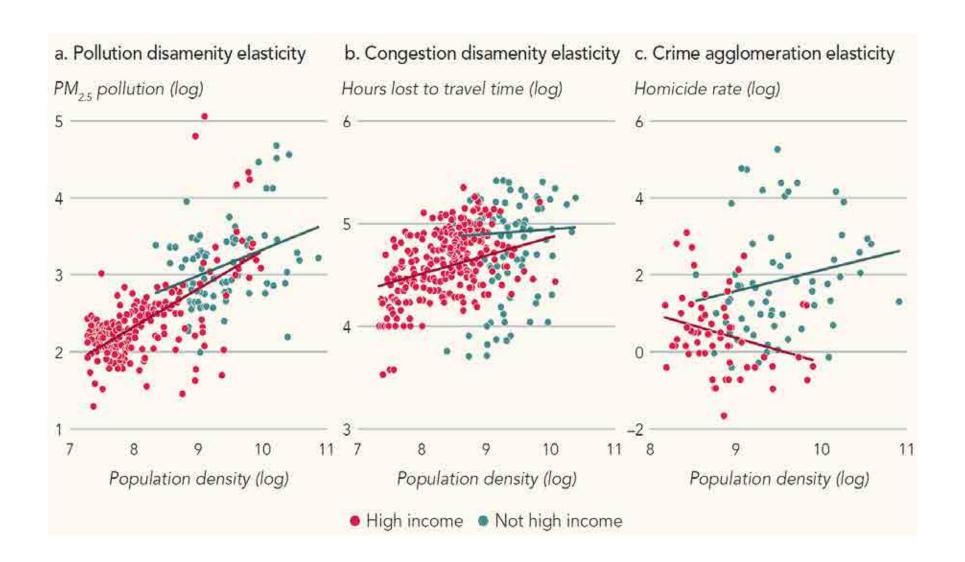


Challenge 1: Sterile agglomeration and the developing country urban productivity puzzle

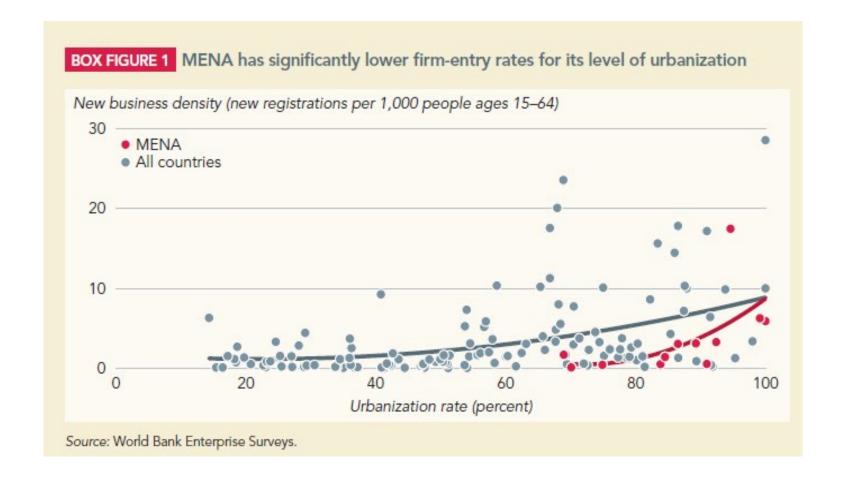
The Agglomeration
Premiums on Labor
Productivity Nearly
Disappear after
Controlling for Urban
Costs



Urban costs are higher in developing countries than high income countries



MENA'S CITIES:
lower firmentry rates
than countries
elsewhere



MENA'S CITIES: hard hit by COVID 19 pandemic and policy interventions

CITIES IN MENA SUFFERED A MAJOR ECONOMIC LOSS FOLLOWING THE ONSET OF THE PANDEMIC

Percentage point change since December 2019

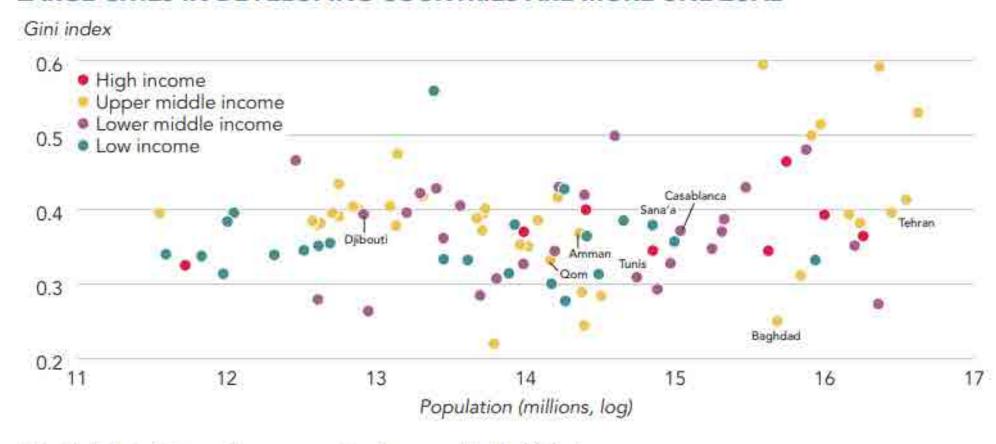


Note: Based on analysis of a sample of 140 cities whose population in 2015 was at least 200,000. Source: Khan et al. 2022.

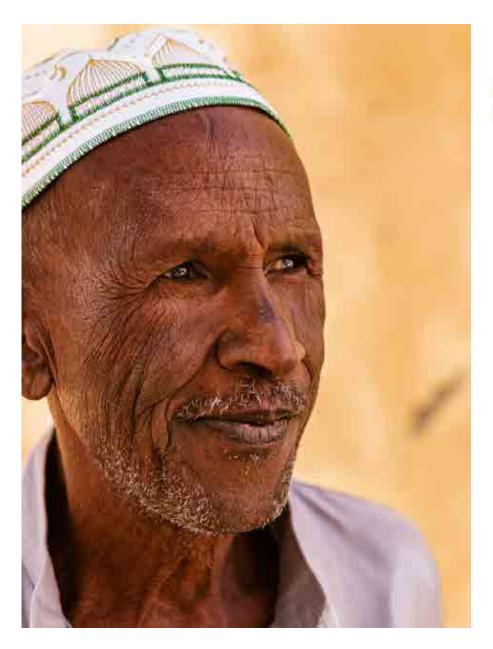


Challenge 2: Cities are not lands of opportunity for all residents

LARGE CITIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ARE MORE UNEQUAL



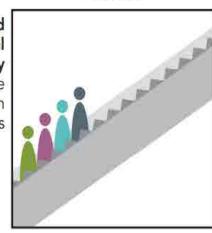
Note: Global intracity inequality across countries is measured by the Gini index.

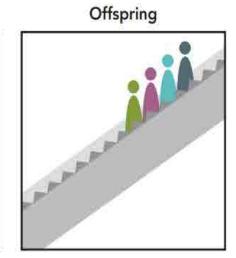


INTERGENERATIONAL MOBILITY—ABSOLUTE (BETTER OFF THAN PARENTS) AND RELATIVE (MOVING UP FROM PARENTS' POSITION)

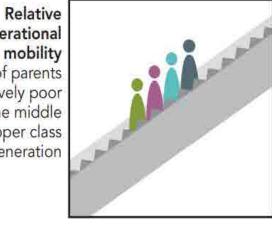
Parents

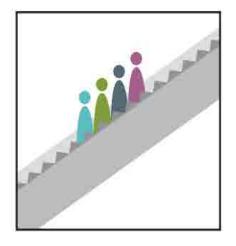
Absolute upward intergenerational mobility
Offspring are better off than their parents



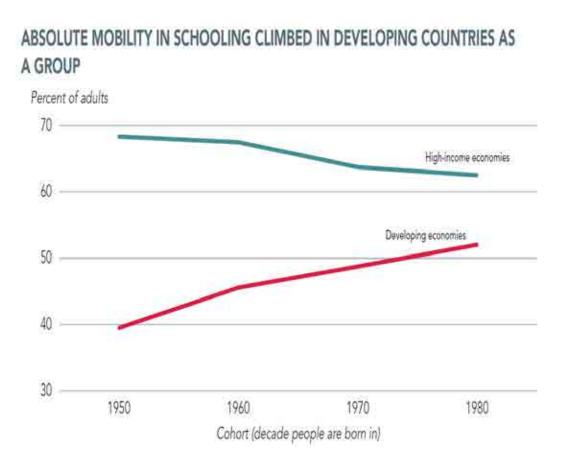


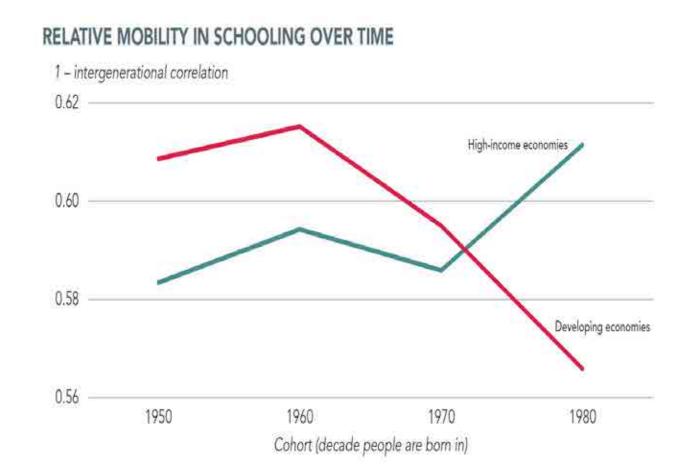
intergenerational mobility Offspring of parents who are relatively poor can become middle class or upper class among their generation

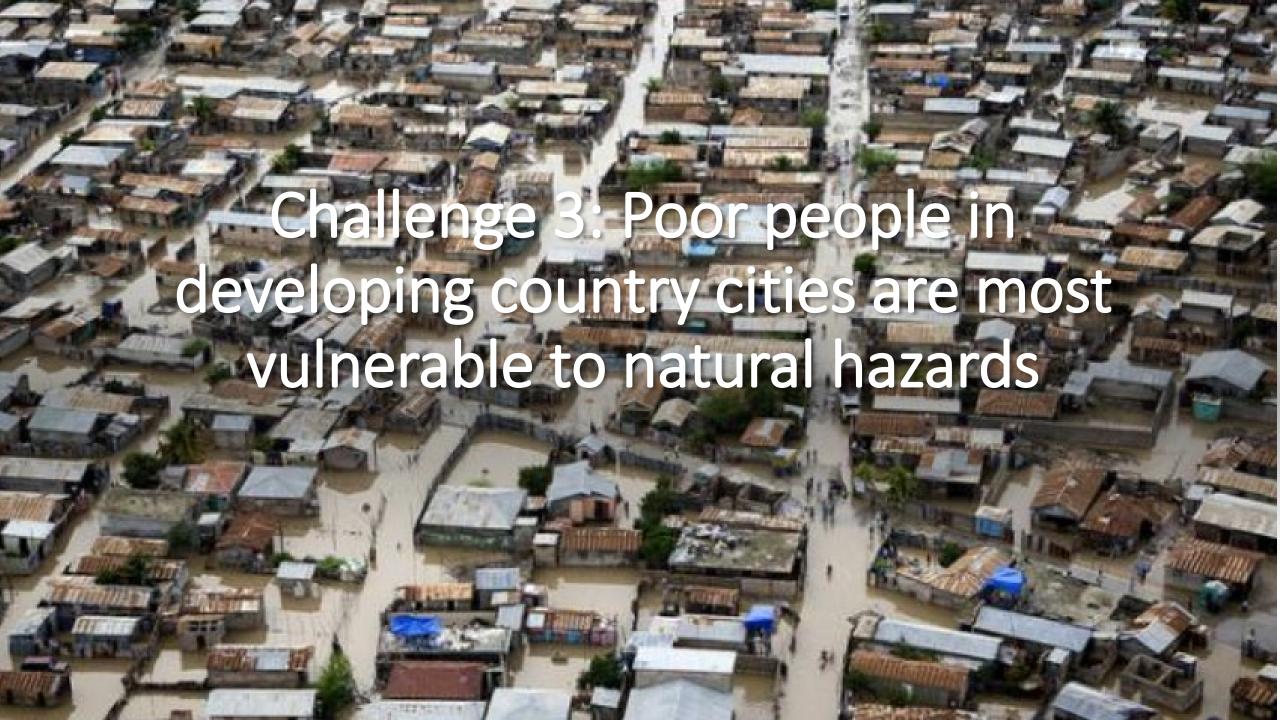




Children are doing better than parents in absolute terms but not in relative terms



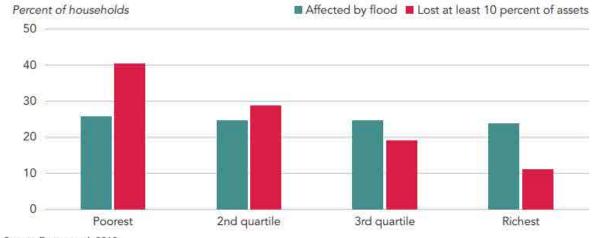




Challenge 3: Poor people in developing country cities are most vulnerable to natural hazards



FLOODING IN ACCRA LEADS TO HEAVY ASSET LOSS FOR A LARGE SHARE OF POOR HOUSEHOLDS



Source: Erman et al. 2018.

An Additional Dilemma – Economic Growth strengthens resilience, but can exacerbate global warming

THE 100 TOP CO, EMITTERS



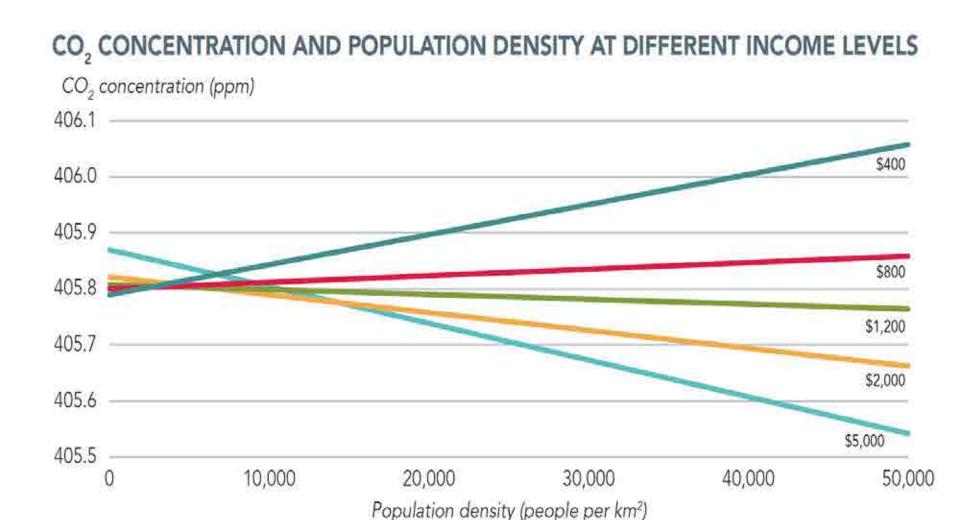
Cities account for over 70 percent of global CO2 emissions

Top 100 cities, by total CO₂ emissions (million tons)

- · Less than 30
- 30-34
- **35-49**
- **50-64**
- 65 or more

Source: Dasgupta, Lall, and Wheeler 2022.

Higher population density means higher emissions in developing countries as opposed developed countries



Inform, Support, and Protect – on a bedrock of Trust and Legitimacy

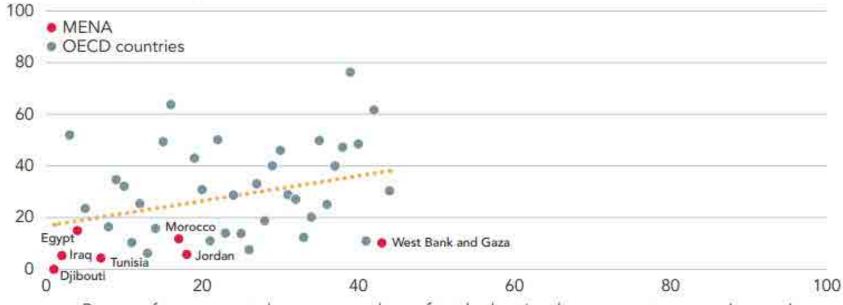
- Inform market actors— setting expectations and motivating private action
 - Role of data
- Support private action— investing in connection and service provision
 - Role of evaluation
- Protecting the less fortunate when needed, on a timely, targeted, and temporary basis
 - Role of identifying the vulnerable

How can city leaders build tomorrow's Vibrant Cities?

Deepen City Finance and Enhance City Governance on a bedrock of Trust and Legitimacy

DECENTRALIZED SPENDING AND OWN-SOURCE REVENUES ARE LOW IN MENA

Subnational government spending as a share of total government spending (percent)



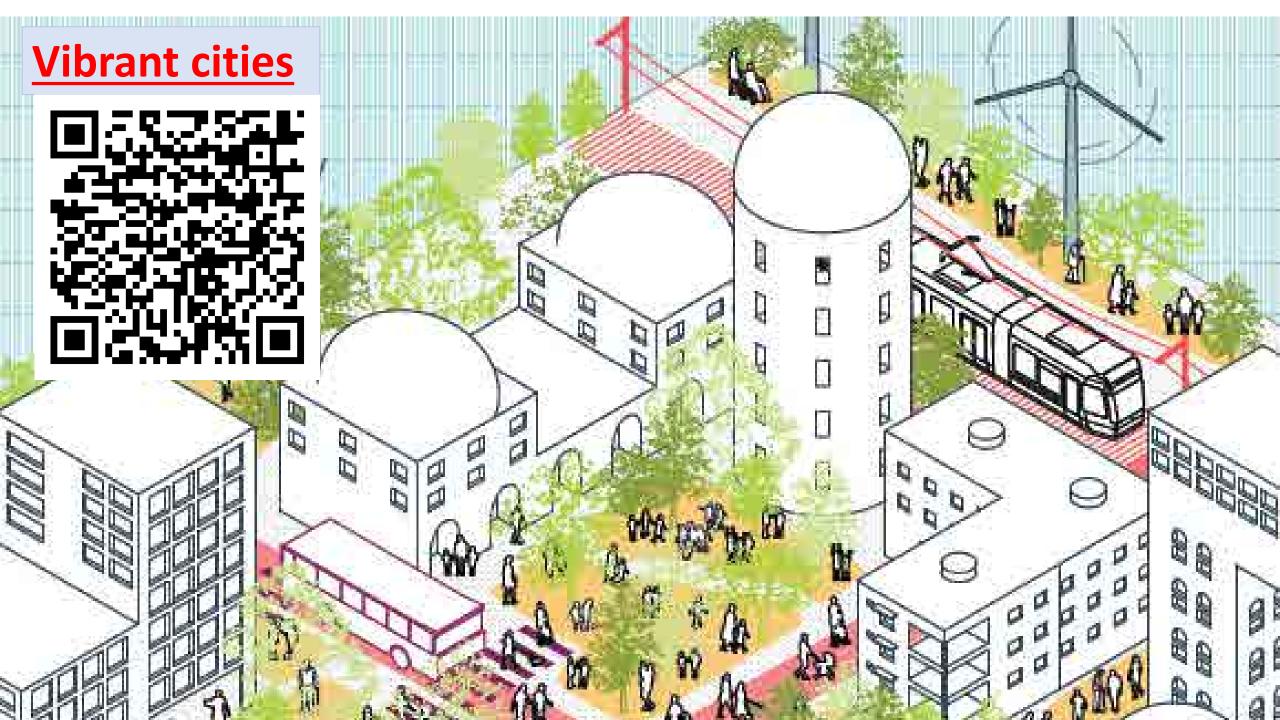
Revenue from noncentral sources as a share of total subnational government revenue (percent)

Source: World Bank 2020a.

How can city leaders build tomorrow's Vibrant Cities?

CAIRO, AMMAN, AND CASABLANCA: THREE POINTS ON A SPECTRUM OF URBAN GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY

| | Low Spectrum of accountability, incentives, and institutional performance High | | |
|------------------------------|--|--|---|
| | Cairo Very centralized, minimal political engagement | Amman Hybrid institution, medium political engagement | Casablanca Decentralized, strong political engagement |
| Selection of officials | Top officials directly appointed by central government Little transparency in selection | Mayor and part of city council appointed by PM; rest of council elected City has power to appoint its top staff | Locally elected mayor and city council Transparent, competitive process for heads of service providers |
| Accountability mechanisms | Upward reporting, with no political engagement for urban services | Mayor mostly accountable to central government, less to elected council Limited political | High local political engagement Citizens' and businesses' representation mandated |















Arab Land Initiative

Joint Efforts towards Improving Land Governance and Land Administration in the Arab region

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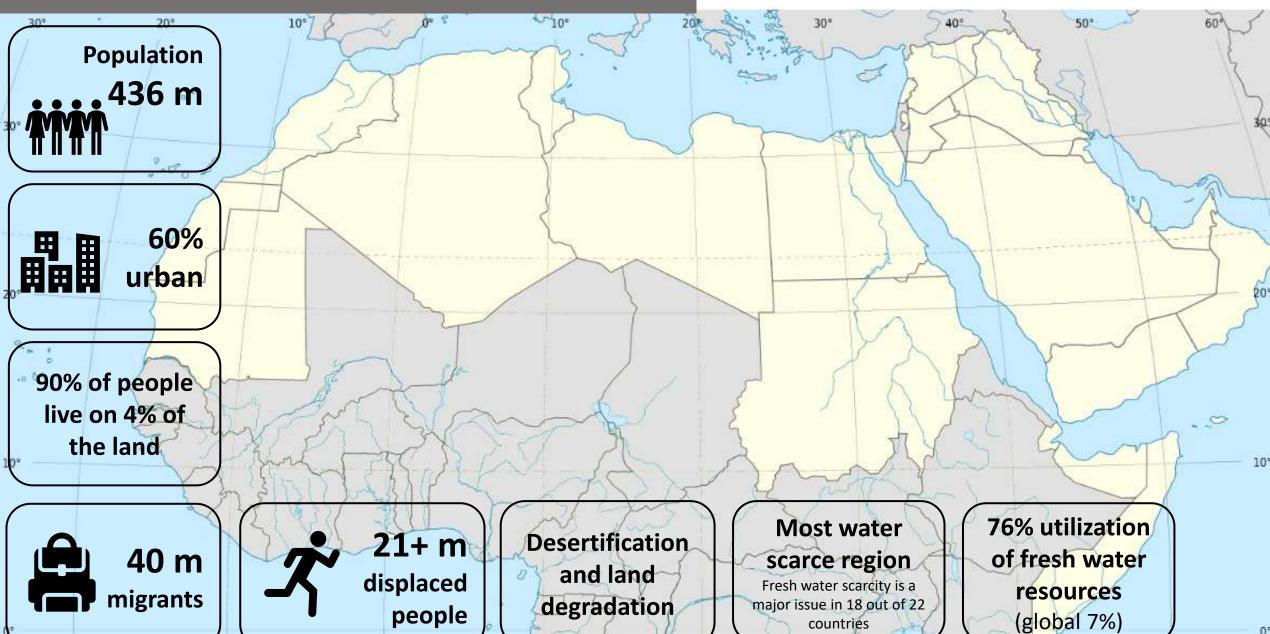








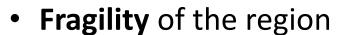
The context



CONTEXT







- Competing priorities: little space for introducing structural reforms
- Outdated & opaque land administration
- Gender inequalities
- Shrinking space for civil society engagement
- Land sector disproportionately occupied
 by state actors / elites
- Little collaboration among sectors (e.g. climate experts, planners, surveyors)
- Brain drain

- Significant technical expertise in several fields
- Common normative features
- Common language
- Some countries taking up an increasing leadership role on different aspects of land governance
- Increase connection with the global land discourse
- Regional partners increased capacity and leadership
- Lots of good energy to collaborate going forward

The Arab Land Initiative





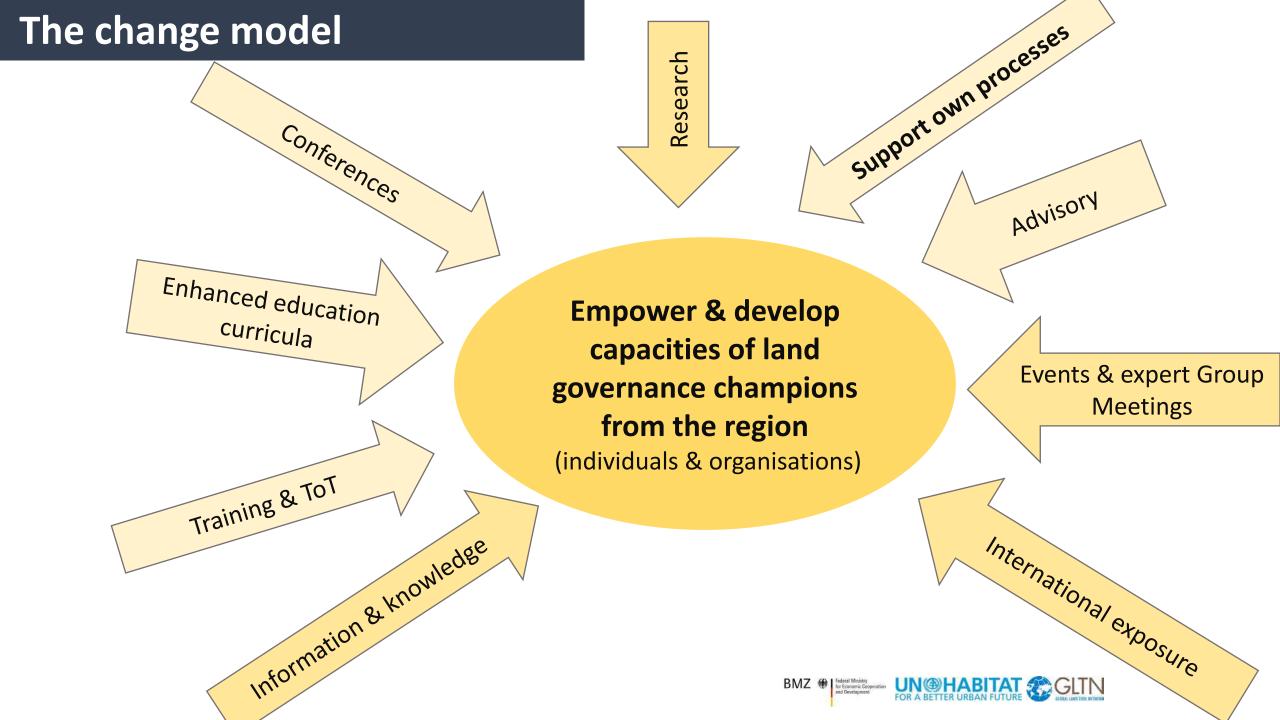


On the Initiative:

- ✓ Established in 2016
- ✓ Seed support SIDA, SDC, UN-Habitat / GLTN + in kind contributions from partners
- ✓ BMZ dedicated support since 2018. Netherlands support 2024
- ✓ Goal: Empower regional and national land sector stakeholders

Focus:

- 1. Alignment, coordination and collaboration
- 2. Knowledge
- 3. Capacities
- 4. Support country interventions





contexts (Checkland: 2000 and Ortiz: 2013), adapted and used by GLTN over 15 years Note: Social change approach is based on soft systems methodology for complex

Empowered land governance champions can:

- influence power dynamics
- facilitate national discussions
- support coalition development on key topics
- engage with policy makers and international partners

Climate action

Poverty alleviation & food security

Women's land rights and empowerment

Land administration reforms

Land for peacebuilding



The Arab Land Initiative's Network

2500+

land governance champions

50+

organisations

Collaboration with existing networks

Catalyse the expansion of land governance portfolio in

15 countries

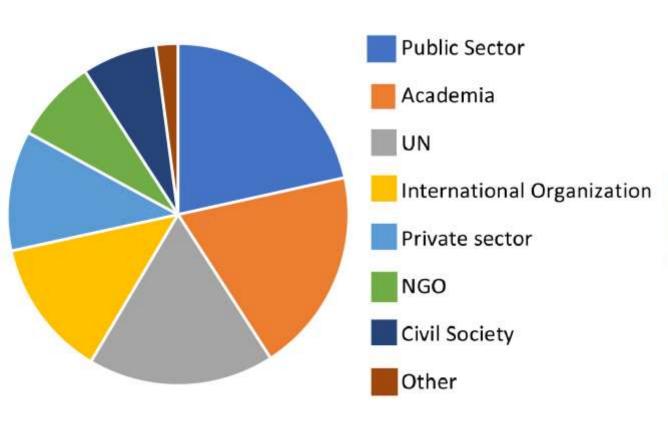
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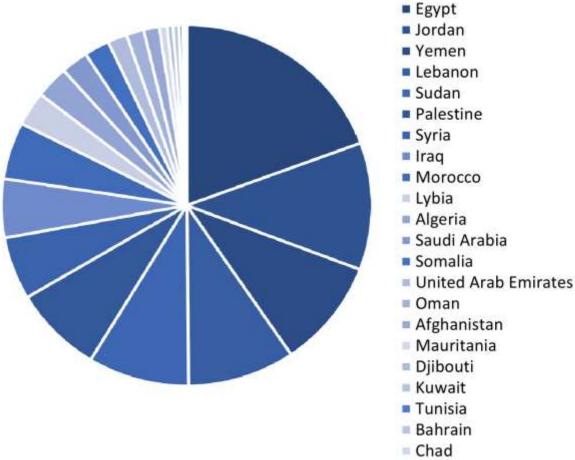




Type of stakeholder



Countries





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Participants Second Arab Land Conference:



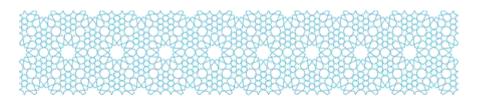
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Knowledge

Women & Land Campaign



Empower and Improve the Life of Women by Protecting their Land, Housing and Property Rights in the Arab Region

KEY MESSAGES





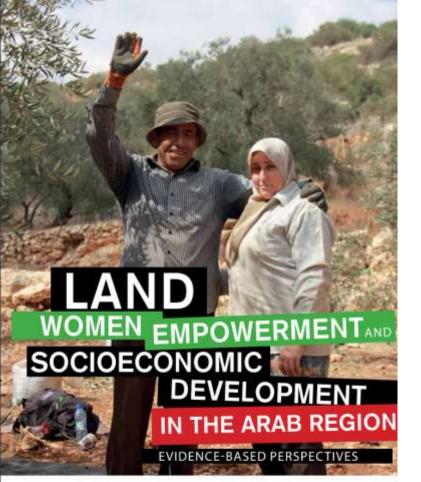




https://arabstates.gltn.net/ women-and-land/

حقوق المرأة في السكن والأرض والملكية في المنطقة العربية لماذا تحتاج النساء حقوق السكن والأرض والملكية؟ في السياقات المتأثرة بالنزوح والأزمات عندما تتمتع المرأة بالحق في السكن والأرض والملكيةتزداد مشاركتها في صناعة القرار وانخراطها في عمليات السلام STAND FOR HER LAND STAND FOR HER LAND





A WORLD IN WHICH EVERYONE ENJOYS SECURE LAND RIGHTS











LAND GOVERNANCE, NATURAL RESOURCES AND CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE ARAB REGION

SECURING LAND AND PROPERTY RIGHTS FOR ALL















LAND PROFESSIONALS IN THE ARAB REGION

Roles, capacities and contribution to land governance and land tenure security

SECURING LAND AND PROPERTY RIGHTS FOR ALL











60
Reports and research papers

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Expert Group
Meetings

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Knowledge sharing events





Arab Land Initiative

Good land governance, functioning land administration, and protection of housing, land and property rights are critical for the social, economic, and environmental sustainability of the Arab region and for the realisation of the human rights of all women, men, and children.

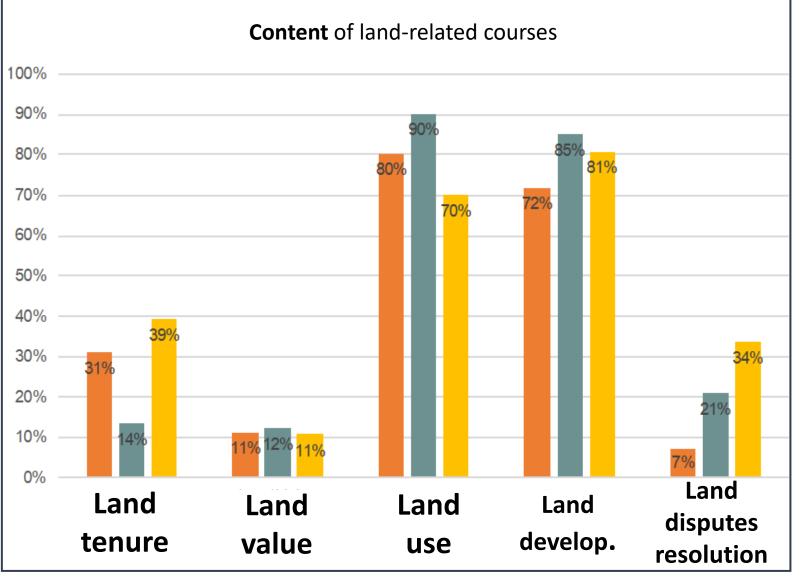
The Arab Land Initiative was established in 2016 to catalyse such positive changes. Under the leadership of UN-Habitat and the Global Land Tool Network, the Initiative empowers regional land champions through coordination, collaboration, capacity, knowledge, and information sharing.

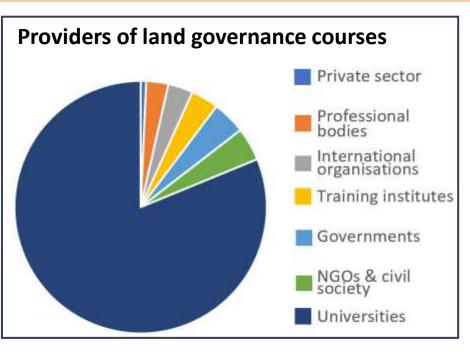


3. [Empowerment through] Capacity development

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Analysis of land-related courses in the Arab Region (282 courses)







On-the-job training for partners

Training sessions & training of trainers

Collaboration with universities

Support nationally / locally owned country interventions

Thematic focus

WOMEN'S LAND RIGHTS

LAND ADMINISTRATION LAND FOR HOUSING AND SUSTANABLE URBANISATION

LAND FOR PEACE

LAND FOR FOOD
SECURITY &
CLIMATE ACTION

MONITORING LAND GOVERNANCE

Way Forward

1. Research, knowledge, capacity, collaboration

2. Leaders & decision makers' attention

Empowerment and support to experts and practitioners

4. Regional leadership

Thank you for your attention & let us continue working together

