



The need for city/urban data and monitoring systems for SDGs, New Urban Agenda and other global urban-related frameworks.

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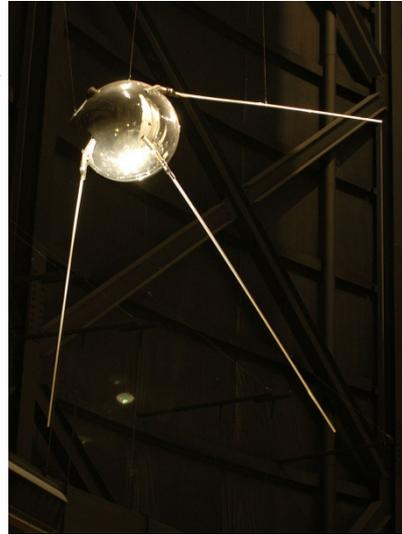
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1858 – 2017 what has changed?



In 1858 Gaspard Felix Tournachon ('Nadar') takes the 1st aerial photographs from his hot air balloon.

In 1957 the Soviet Union launch the world's first artificial satellite, Sputnik 1.



Today over 500+ operational satellites are available in space.

Locally, over 6000+ drones have been sold and play a key role in urban science and humanitarian recovery

Drones take center stage in Harvey recovery

By Mark Rockwell Sep 11, 2017

Unmanned aerial systems exacerbated some rescue problems in the Houston area in the wake of Hurricane Harvey, but they've also helped speed recovery there, according to the Federal Aviation Administration chief Michael Huerta.

"I don't think it's an exaggeration to say that the hurricane response will be looked back upon as a landmark in the evolution of drone usage in



The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

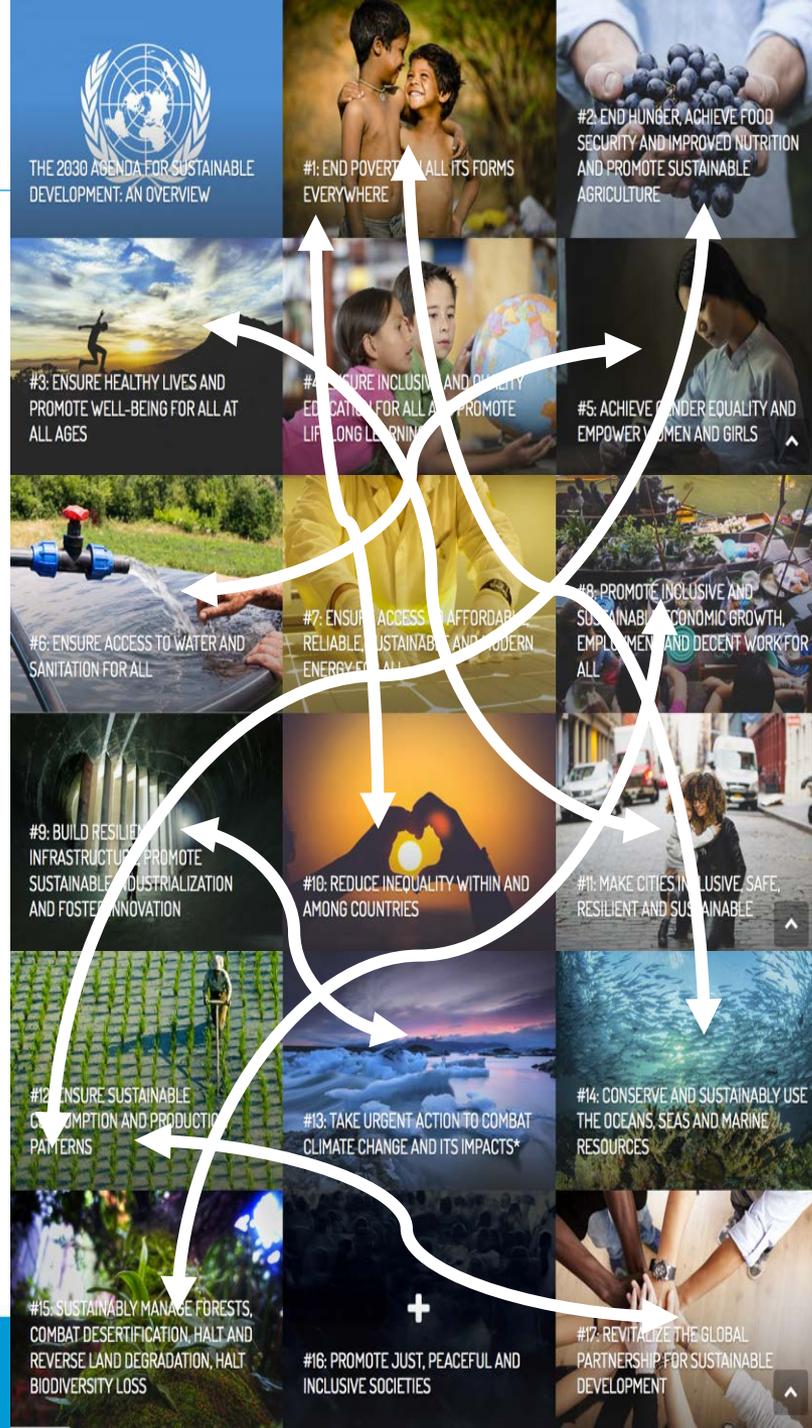


The World's To-Do List by 2030

- SDGs offer a 'supremely ambitious and transformational vision' for our common future till 2030.
- 17 goals; 169 targets



Each goal is important in itself ...



And they are all connected

The 2030 Agenda & urban data needs



City-level action encompasses many more areas than Goal 11



12.3 Food Waste
12.4 Chemicals and waste mmt
12.5 Waste reduction

12.1 10YFP



12.7 Public Procurement

11.7 Green space
11.7 Public space

11.1 Housing
11.1 Basic services

12.8 Information, Education, Lifestyles

11.6 Environmental Impact
11.6 Waste
11.6 Air Quality



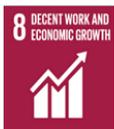
11.2 Transport systems
11.2 Public transport
11.2 Road safety
11.3 Inclusive sustainable urbanisation



12.2 Sustainable Mmt of Natural Resources

11.5 Disasters

11.4 Cultural Natural Heritage



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



The New Urban Agenda

The NUA - Follow up and review

The NUA is the first internationally agreed document detailing implementation of the urban dimension of the SDGs

164. Propose a strong connection between **New Urban Agenda** and the **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

167. Need to report on progress with **qualitative and quantitative data**



How is spatial urban monitoring articulated in the NUA?

- In the Chapter on “Environmentally Sustainable and Resilient Urban Development”



§63 We recognize that cities and human settlements face **unprecedented threats from unsustainable consumption and production patterns**, loss of biodiversity, pressure on ecosystems, pollution, and natural and man-made disasters, and climate change and its related risks, undermining the efforts to (...) achieve sustainable development

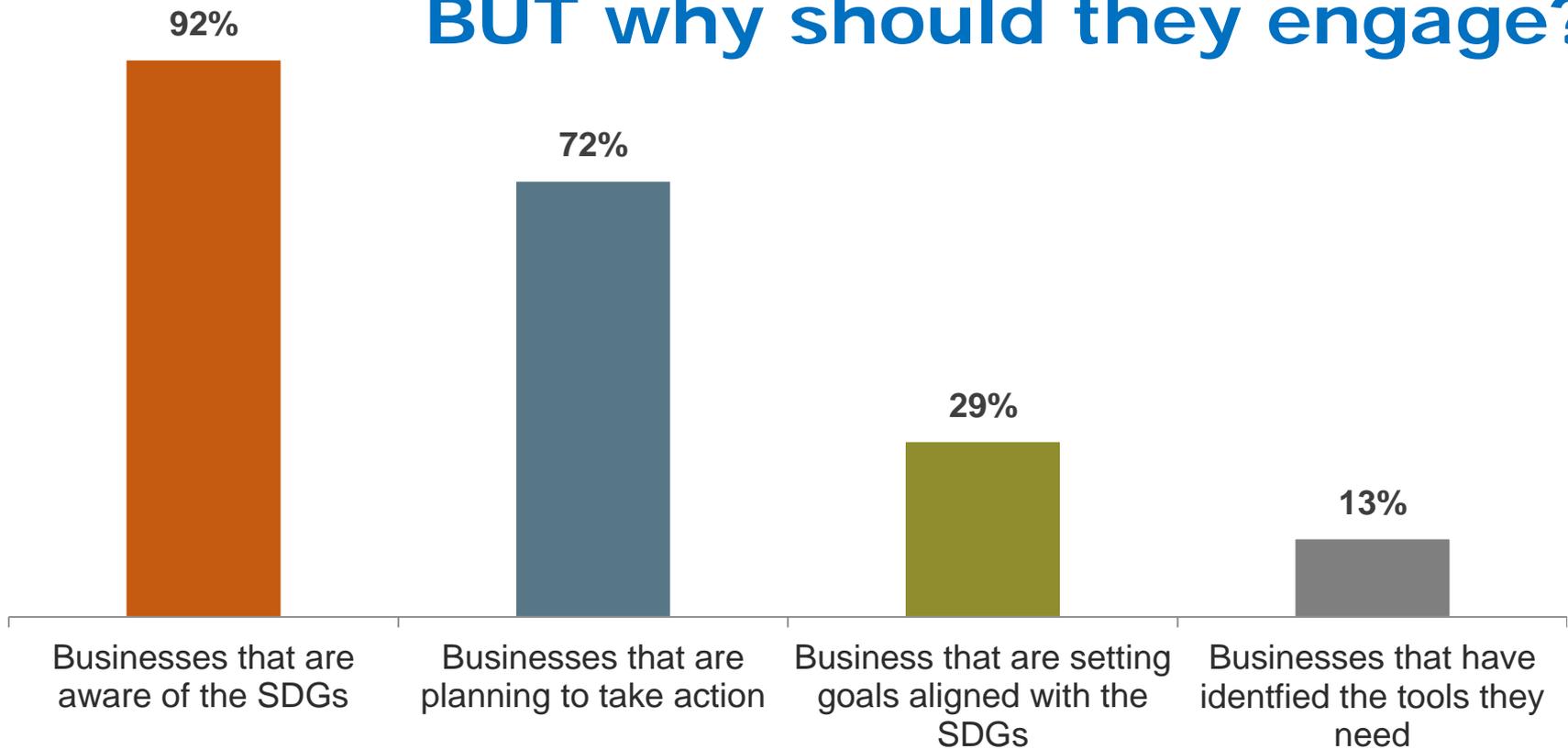
§65 We commit to facilitate the sustainable management of natural resources in cities and human settlements in a manner that protects and improves the urban ecosystem and environmental services, reduces greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution, and promotes disaster risk reduction and management, (...) through **environmentally sound urban and territorial planning, infrastructure, and basic services**.

§72 We commit to **long-term urban and territorial planning processes and spatial development practices** that incorporate integrated water resources planning and management, considering the urban-rural continuum at the local and territorial scales, and including the participation of relevant stakeholders and communities.

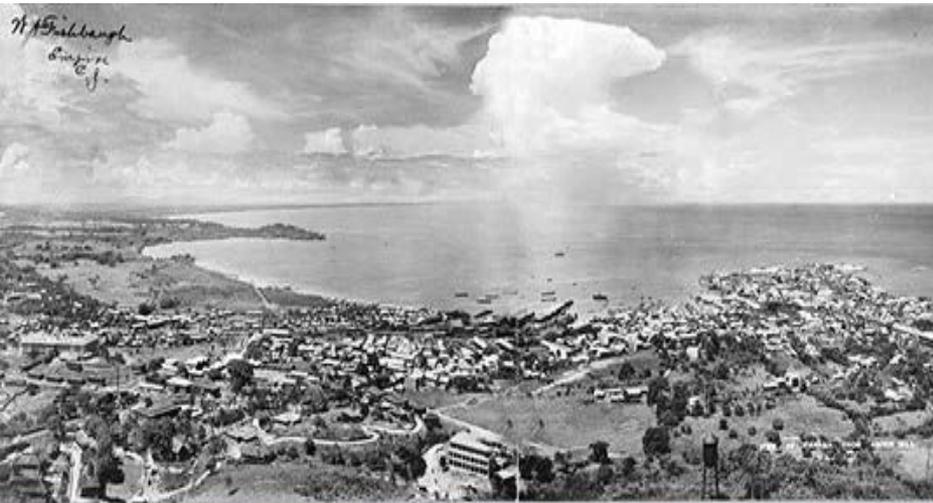
Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and SDGs

Did you know that most businesses are aware of the SDGs and majority are planning to engage...

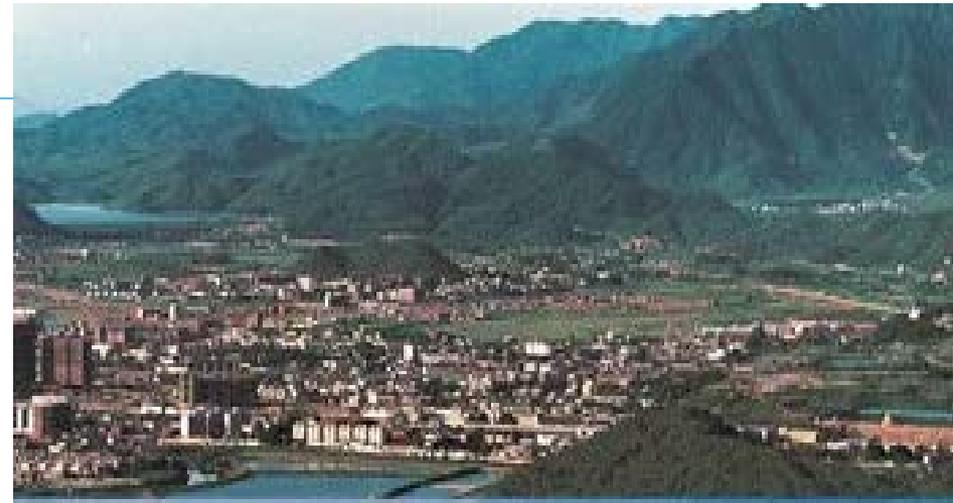
BUT why should they engage?



Source – Make it your business: Engaging with the Sustainable Development Goals, PwC 2015



Images via: Skyscraper City, Brian Gratwicke



Credit: *Over Hong Kong* (2007), Kaysan Bartlett

The outward and upward growth of Panama City, Panama, 1930 – 2009 (left) and Shenzhen, China, 1982 – 2007 (right).

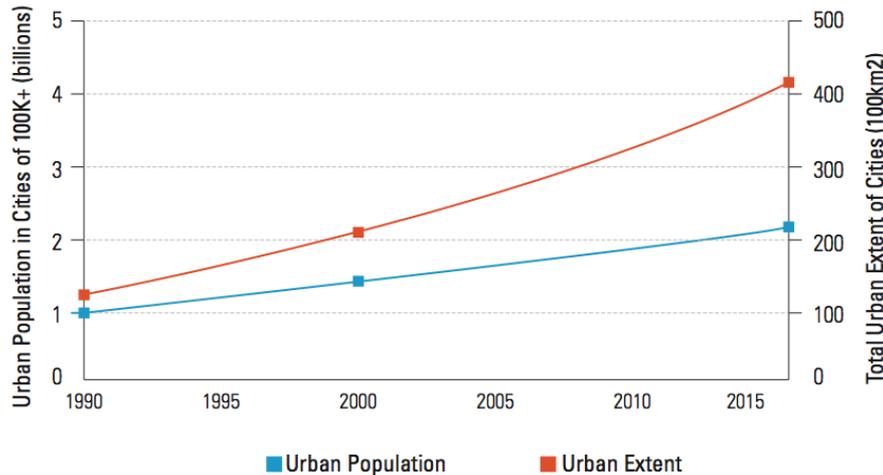
Urbanization: densities and sprawl monitoring



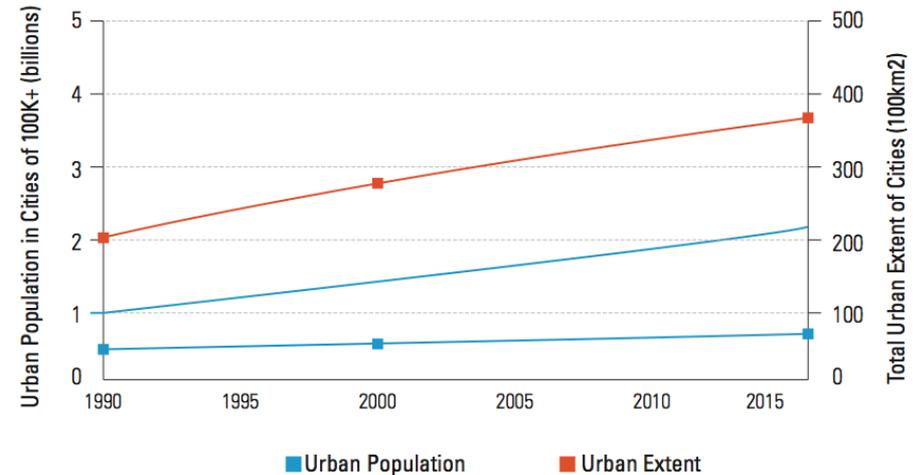
Over 50% of the global population now lives in cities and it is expected that 70% of humanity will be urban by 2050.

As cities **lose density** and **intensify sprawl**, they lock themselves into unsustainable land use patterns.

Less Developed Countries



More Developed Countries



In Nairobi slums.....



- The overall mortality burden per capita is 205 YLL/1,000 person years.
- Children under the age of five years have more than four times the mortality burden of the rest of the population, mostly due to pneumonia and diarrhoeal diseases.
- Among the population aged five years and above, HIV/AIDS and tuberculosis account for about 50% of the mortality burden.

In summary, urban areas today are:

- Home to 56% of human settlements
- Consume 75% of the earth's natural resources
- Produce 60% of global GHG emissions
- Produce 50% of global waste
- Produce 80% of Global GDP

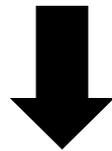




'Data revolution' at urban level

We need to include people, locations and study city conditions to ensure that no one – and **no place – is left behind**

Data needs to be disaggregated along key dimensions: age, sex, disabilities status, social groups, income levels, migratory status, locations



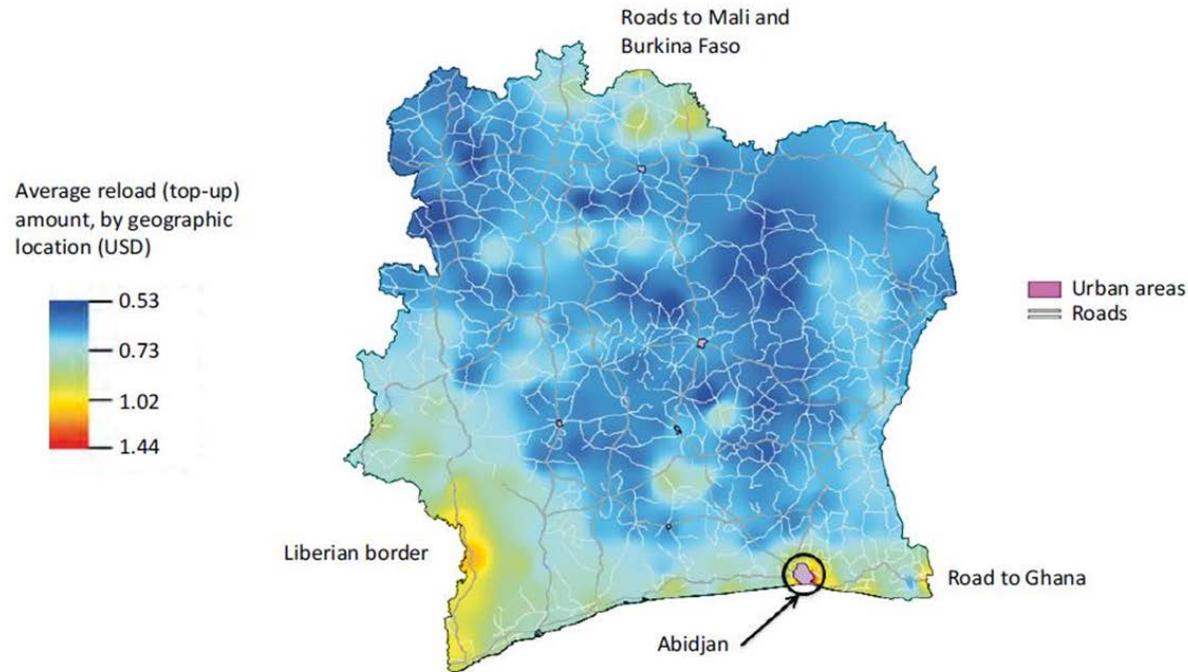
Impacts the quality of decision-making



Selected indicators of different towns & city sizes in some countries

	Employment Rate	Self-Employ. Rate	Net School enrol. Primary	Net School enrol. Second.	Literacy Rate	Girl/Boy ratio - Primary	Girl/Boy - Secondary	Improved sanitation	Improved Water Supply	Electricity	Gas/elec/Coal as cooking fuel
MALI											
<i>Rural</i>	60.9	33.5	41.0	15.4	28.0	0.77	0.38	75.2	24.5	8.8	11.9
<i>Urban</i>	50.1	44.4	75.0	42.1	63.0	0.95	0.62	97.0	63.9	65.8	43.7
XXS	50.1	28.6	58.4	12.9	31.0	0.47	0.09	96.3	52.8	26.9	4.8
XS	56.7	34.1	50.8	14.6	27.2	0.59	0.29	94.2	51.9	13.9	3.9
S	52.8	41.8	52.1	28.0	45.4	0.87	0.46	86.9	55.3	37.6	20.7
M	47.5	45.5	68.5	42.1	56.1	0.93	0.54	89.7	69.4	49.5	21.7
L	44.8	41.5	72.8	43.8	66.6	0.93	0.63	92.8	61.6	50.9	24.5
XL	50.6	44.3	74.7	42.6	62.6	0.93	0.56	97.7	50.5	52.8	15.9
XXL	50.9	45.3	78.4	43.3	65.4	0.98	0.68	99.0	70.3	79.1	63.8
SWAZILAND											
<i>Rural</i>	22.5	27.4	77.9	32.9	94.9	0.93	1.04	74.3	49.6	21.2	15.3
<i>Urban</i>	51.3	20.2	66.9	40.8	97.7	1.03	1.14	88.5	86.9	64.9	87.1
XXS	51.6	13.6	67.7	41.6	96.8	1.03	1.11	79.9	85.5	71.9	74.8
XS	60.1	11.2	64.7	41.5	95.8	1.05	1.03	86.1	93.1	58.6	88.6
M	50.7	22.7	58.3	33.6	98.2	1.03	1.19	91.3	86.2	62.2	93.1
L	50.3	23.2	70.1	43.3	98.1	1.02	1.15	91.3	87.1	63.9	89.6

Combinations of data including Official statistics, Big Data and Earth Observations technologies offer new opportunities for SDG/NUA monitoring ..



Timely and disaggregated data helps to accelerate SDG implementation by targeting resources where they are most needed



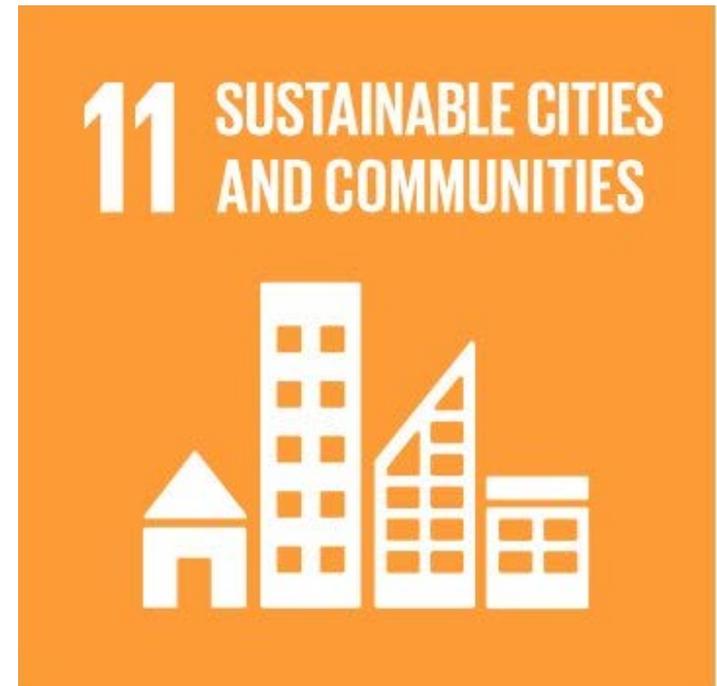
The Sustainable Development Goals

SDG – Goal 11

Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

10 Targets

- 11.1 Housing and Slums
- 11.2 Sustainable Transport
- 11.3 Participatory Planning
- 11.4 Cultural Heritage
- 11.5 Disaster Reduction
- 11.6 Air Quality and Waste Management
- 11.7 Public spaces
- 11.a Rural-urban and regional planning
- 11.b Mitigation of Climate Change, Resilience
- 11.c LDCs support – buildings





Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

UN-Habitat designated custodian Agency for indicators:

6 Indicators

Slums and housing
Public transport
Land consumption
Civil society participation
Solid waste
Public space

4 Indicators

National Urban Policies*
Construction Industry

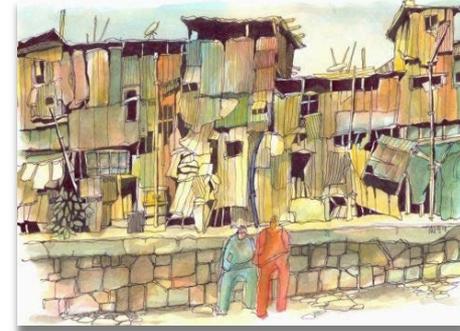
Selected spatial indicators



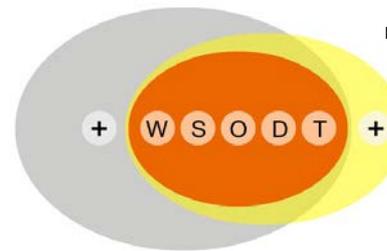
11.1.1: Proportion of urban population living in slums, informal settlements or inadequate housing

Main features:

- City population
- Slums
- Informal settlements
- Inadequate housing



The diagram below summarizes the recommendations.



This diagram aims to show that slums, informal settlements and inadequate housing are all part of a continuum of the Right to Adequate Housing experience. Informal settlements and inadequate housing can also be slums if they lack one of the five slum deprivations in addition to affordability and lacking the building and planning permit.

- SLUMS
- INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS
- INADEQUATE HOUSING

By adding the two additional indicators for inadequate housing and for informal settlements, the target becomes more universal and applicable to all regions in the world.

At the same time, progress can be tracked and different response mechanisms assessed and developed.

This indicator considers three components to be follows:

$$\text{Slum households (SH):} = 100 \left[\frac{\text{Number of people living in slum}}{\text{City population}} \right]$$

$$\text{Informal settlements households (ISH):} = 100 \left[\frac{\text{No. of people living in informal settlements households}}{\text{City population}} \right]$$

$$\text{Inadequate housing households (IHH):} = 100 \left[\frac{\text{No. of people living in inadequate housing}}{\text{City population}} \right]$$

Selected spatial Indicators

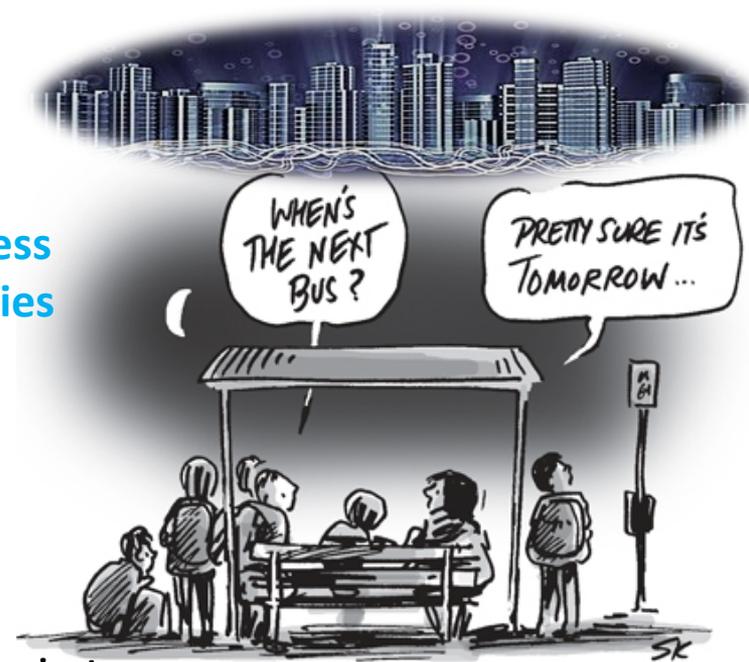
11.2.1: Proportion of population that has convenient access to public transport, by sex, age and persons with disabilities

Main features:

- Public transport stops
- City population
- Built-up area

The method to estimate the proportion of the population that has convenient access to public transport is based on four steps:

1. Spatial analysis to delimit the built-up area of the urban agglomeration
2. Inventory of the public transport stops in the city or the service area;
3. Estimation of urban area with access to public transport;
4. Estimation of the proportion of the population with convenient access out of the total population of the city.



% with access to Public transport

$$= 100x \frac{\text{population with convenient access to Public transport}}{\text{City Population}}$$

Selected spatial Indicators



11.3.1: Ratio of land consumption rate to population growth rate

Main features:

- City population
- Built-up area

The method to estimate land use efficiency is based on two stages:



1. Estimate the population growth rate

$$PGR = \frac{LN(Pop_{t+n}/Pop_t)}{(y)}$$

Where

- Pop_t Total population within the city in the past/initial year
Pop_{t+n} Total population within the city in the current/final year
y The number of years between the two measurement periods

2. Estimate the land use consumption rate

$$LCR = \frac{LN(Urb_{t+n}/Urb_t)}{(y)}$$

Where

- Urb_t Total areal extent of the urban agglomeration in km² for past/initial year
Urb_{t+n} Total areal extent of the urban agglomeration in km² for current year
y The number of years between the two measurement periods

Ratio of land consumption rate to population growth rate (LCRPGR) is estimated as follows:

$$LCRPGR = \left(\frac{\text{Land Consumption rate}}{\text{Annual Population growth rate}} \right)$$

Selected spatial Indicators



11.7.1: Average share of the built-up area of cities that is open space for public use for all, by sex, age and persons with disabilities

Main features:

- Built-up area
- Open public space
- Street space

The method to estimate area of public space is based on three stages:

1. Spatial analysis to delimit the built-up area of the urban agglomeration.
2. Computation of total area of open public space.
3. Estimation of land allocated to streets.



Share of the built up area of the city that is open space in public use (%)

$$= \frac{\text{Total surface of open public space} + \text{Total surface of land allocated to streets}}{\text{Total surface of built up area of the urban agglomeration}}$$

Selected Non-spatial Indicators



11.a.1: Proportion of population living in cities that implement urban and regional development plans integrating population projections and resources, by size of city

Main features:

- Population living in cities
- Urban and regional development plans

Computation will be based on:

- Policy analysis evaluation that can be supported by adopted policies, conventions, laws, government programs, and other initiatives that comprise a national/regional urban policy.
- The policy analysis evaluation will consider the following tools: ***baseline spatial data mapping, benchmarking, surveys, scorecard, performance monitoring and reporting, gap and content analysis***
- Four categories of assessment will be used for each qualifier.
 - Category 1: 0 per cent
 - Category 2: 1-25 per cent
 - Category 3: 26-50 per cent
 - Category 4: 51-75 per cent
 - Category 5: 76-100 per cent



Some challenges ahead

Reporting for Goal 11 –

- How to manage spatial data needs ?
- How to deal with countries with many cities/urban centers?
- Variations in understanding of indicators at various levels
- Technological needs for monitoring
- **Defining what a city or urban area or human settlements is?**
- Partnerships arrangements
- Different reporting levels



Several indicators require to be collected locally:

11.2



Public Transport

11.3



Land Consumption

11.4



Cultural heritage

11.6



Solid waste and
air quality

11.7



Public Space



National level reporting and how to deal with the countries that have so many cities/urban centers

- a) Monitor and report on all urban centers
- b) Monitor a representative sample of these
- c) ?



Using the National Sample of Cities approach

Modelled after the **Global Sample of Cities**, the **National Sample of Cities** can be used to harmonize urban data and indicators using an agreed number of cities that are statistically representative of the country's urban human settlements

Basic criteria

- Number of cities
- Population
- Size of the city
- Geographic location
- City functionality
- Economic and political importance

Global Sample of Cities

Based on 200 cities, it represents 5% of the Universe of 4,231 cities of over 100,000 inhabitants in 2010 and 70% of the world urban population



Using the National Sample of Cities approach

ADVANTAGES

- Integrated and systematic approach of the city
- Integrate cities of all sizes, functions and types as part of a national system of cities
- Assist in the aggregation of locally produced city indicators
- Platform for a unified methodology for SDGs reporting
- Calculate national averages
- Facilitate a systematic disaggregation of information at national, sub-national and city levels
- Create baseline data and information for selected cities of the national sample
- Establish benchmarks and national targets to enable for comparisons



**For global monitoring purposes:
where does a city or urban or rural
area start and stop?**

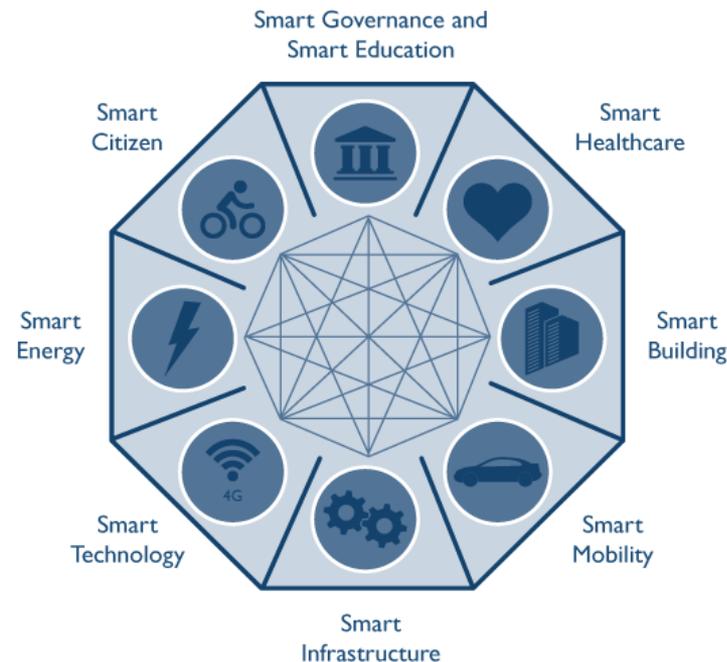
Urban and City definitions

- To track city development and prosperity in any country, it is necessary to delimit cities within meaningful geographical boundaries.
- Almost all cities have continuous built-up area, and many also have nearby residential and industrial suburbs, many large cities, especially in developed countries, have an extensive daily commuting zone closely related to the urban core. The urban core and the commuting zone combine to form the metropolitan area.
- In addition, these characteristics/attributes help to define cities:
 - Built-up Area of the Whole City
 - Residential Area
 - Non-Residential Area
 - Area within the City Wall
 - Population Density of the Whole City
 - Population Density of the Residential Area
 - Number of Dwellings
 - Average number of Inhabitants per Dwelling
 - Legal boundaries





For city leaders, what policy messages can they draw from all the piecemeal and scattered data?





The City Prosperity Initiative

In **2012**, UN-Habitat created a tool to measure the prosperity and sustainability of cities. **The City Prosperity Initiative (CPI)** is a global initiative meant to assist decision makers to design effective policy interventions.



THE 6 DIMENSIONS OF URBAN PROSPERITY

- Urban Governance and Legislation
- Urban Planning and Design
- Urban Economy and Municipal Finance
- Infrastructure Development
- Social Cohesion and Equity
- Urban Ecology and Environment



The City Prosperity Initiative

Why the CPI is proposed as the ideal Global Monitoring Framework for the New Urban Agenda and SDGs



- Cities and countries that join the CPI will be able to identify, quantify, and evaluate the progress on these agendas, **avoiding duplication** and systematizing the monitoring and reporting process
- The CPI is a tool for coordination, **implementation and monitoring** of Sustainable Development Goals and New Urban Agenda at **local level**
- The CPI **integrates most of the urban Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** indicators



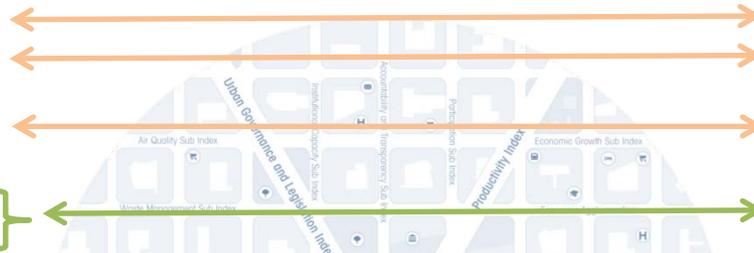
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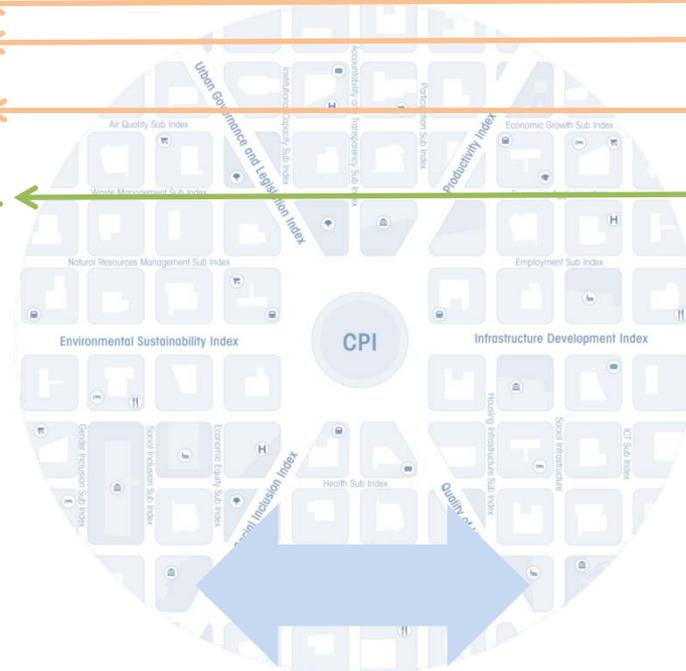
Connecting SDGs and the New Urban Agenda

A strong connection between the **New Urban Agenda** and the **SDGs** indicators was established with a **common monitoring framework**

- 11.a National Urban Policy
 - 11.b Disaster risk reduction
 - 11.3 Land consumption
 - 11.7 Open space
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- 8.1.1 City Product per Capita
 - 10.1.1 Growth Rate 40%



1. National Urban Policies
2. Urban Legislation and Systems of Governance
3. Territorial Planning and Urban Design
4. Municipal Finance





UN-Habitat next steps



Connecting SDGs and the New Urban Agenda



GOAL 11 TARGETS

- 11.1 Adequate, safe and affordable housing
- 11.2 Accessible and sustainable transport systems for all
- 11.3 Inclusive and sustainable urbanization
- 11.4 Safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage
- 11.5 Reduce the number of people affected by disasters
- 11.6 Reduce the environmental impact of cities
- 11.7 Provide universal access to safe public spaces
- 11.a Support links between urban, peri-urban and rural areas
- 11.b Increase integrated policies and plans towards mitigation and adaptation to climate change
- 11.c Building sustainable and resilient buildings utilizing

CPI SUB-DIMENSIONS

1. Economic Strength
2. Employment
3. Economic Agglomeration
4. Housing Infrastructure
5. ICT
6. Urban Mobility
7. Public Space
8. Safety and Security
9. Land Use
10. Economic Equity
11. Social Inclusion
12. Gender Inclusion
13. Air Quality
14. Waste Management
15. Energy
16. Institutional Capacity
17. Municipal Finance
18. Governance of Urbanization

CPI DIMENSIONS

PRODUCTIVITY

INFRASTRUCTURE

QUALITY OF LIFE

EQUITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

GOVERNANCE AND LEGISLATION

SDG WITH URBAN BASED TARGETS

- 8.1.1 City product per capita
- 8.2.1 Growth rate per employment
- 8.3.1 Informal employment
- 8.5.2 Unemployment rate
- 9.2.1 Manufacturing employment

- 3.6.1 Traffic fatalities
- 6.1.1 Access to improved water
- 6.2.1 Access to improved sanitation
- 7.1.1 Access to electricity
- 9.c.1 Mobile network coverage
- 17.8.1 Internet access

- 15.1.2 Forest (green areas) as a percentage of total land area
- 16.1.1 Homicide rate
- 16.1.3 Population subjected to violence

- 1.1.1 Poverty rate
- 5.5.1 Women in local government
- 8.5.1 Gender wage gap
- 8.6.1 Youth unemployment
- 10.1.1 Growth rate 40%

- 3.9.1 Population exposed to outdoor air pollution
- 6.3.1 Waste water treatment
- 7.2.1 Share of renewable energy
- 12.5.1 Solid waste recycling share

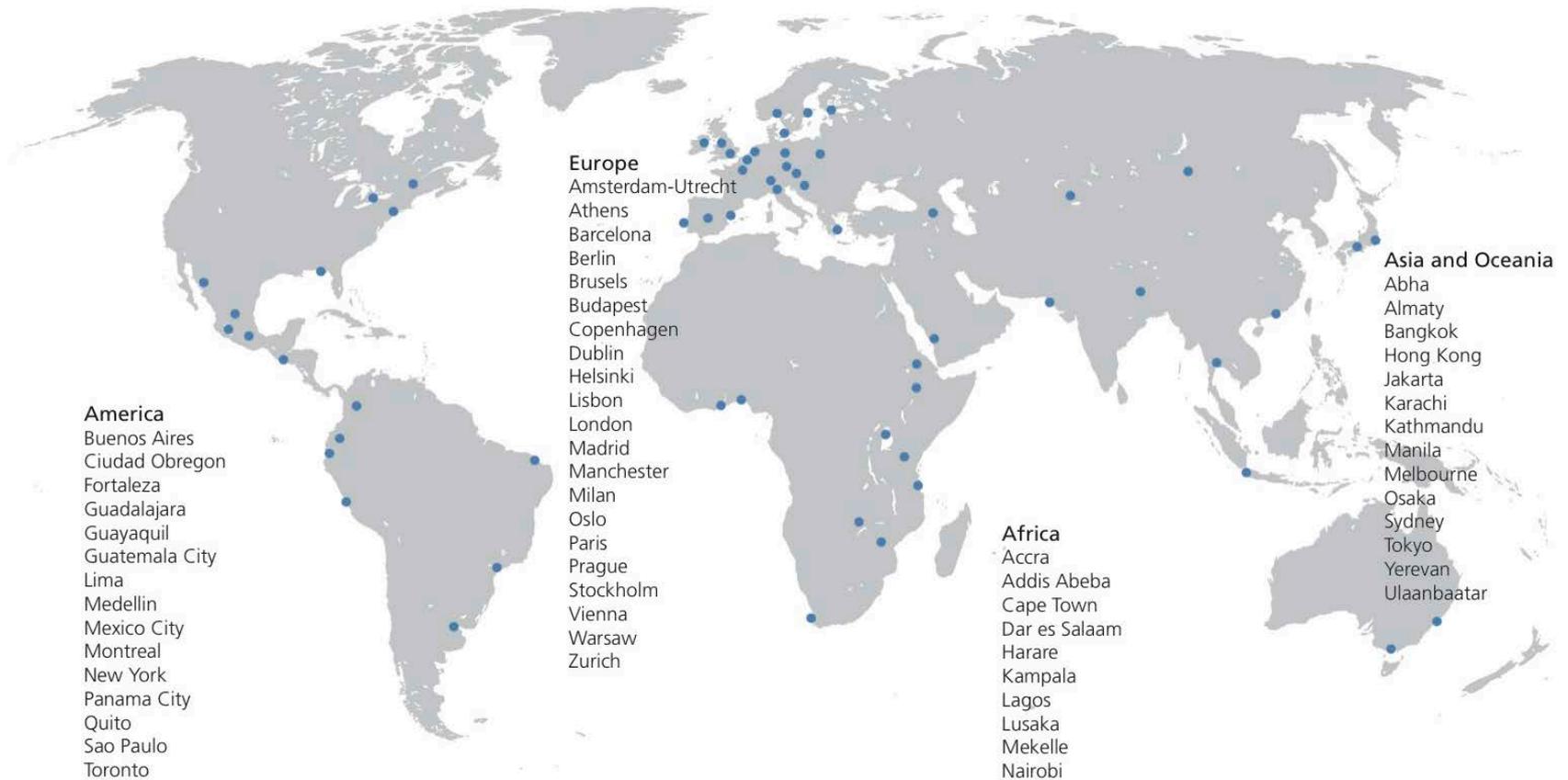
- 9.a.1 Investment capacity
- 16.6.1 Local expenditure efficiency
- 17.17.1 Public-private partnership





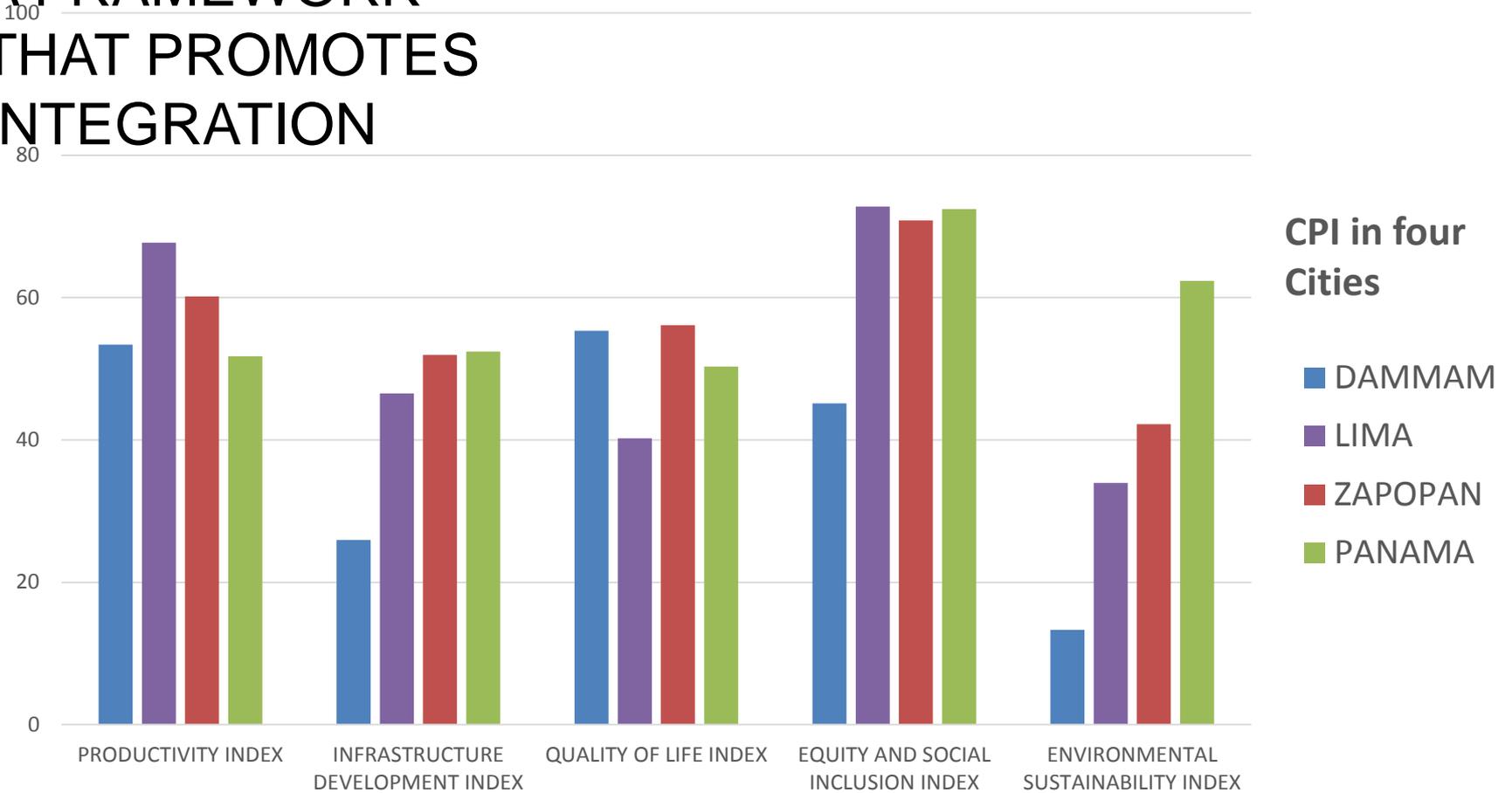
A Global Initiative

Already more than 300 cities around the world joined the CPI



WHAT IS DIFFERENT IN THE CPI FRAMEWORK?

A FRAMEWORK THAT PROMOTES INTEGRATION





- **Cities will continue growing and expanding. But what type of expansion and quality of life will they offer?**
- **Cities are also facing many challenges that need local and international engagements— crime, climate change, etc.**
- **A standalone Goal on cities in SDGs is a clear acknowledgment of the need to pay attention to challenges faced by cities.**
- **All partners have a role— let us identify our roles and connect our roles**

