



**Water as a driver for transforming cities  
into climate-resilient urban areas:**

**From “silo-thinking” to integrated approaches**

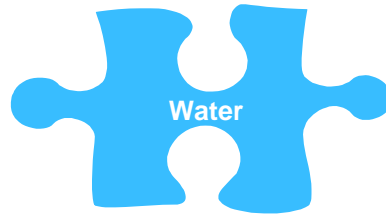
Future Forum 2023 | Breakout Session Block 4, Session 4 | 27 September 2023

# Agenda

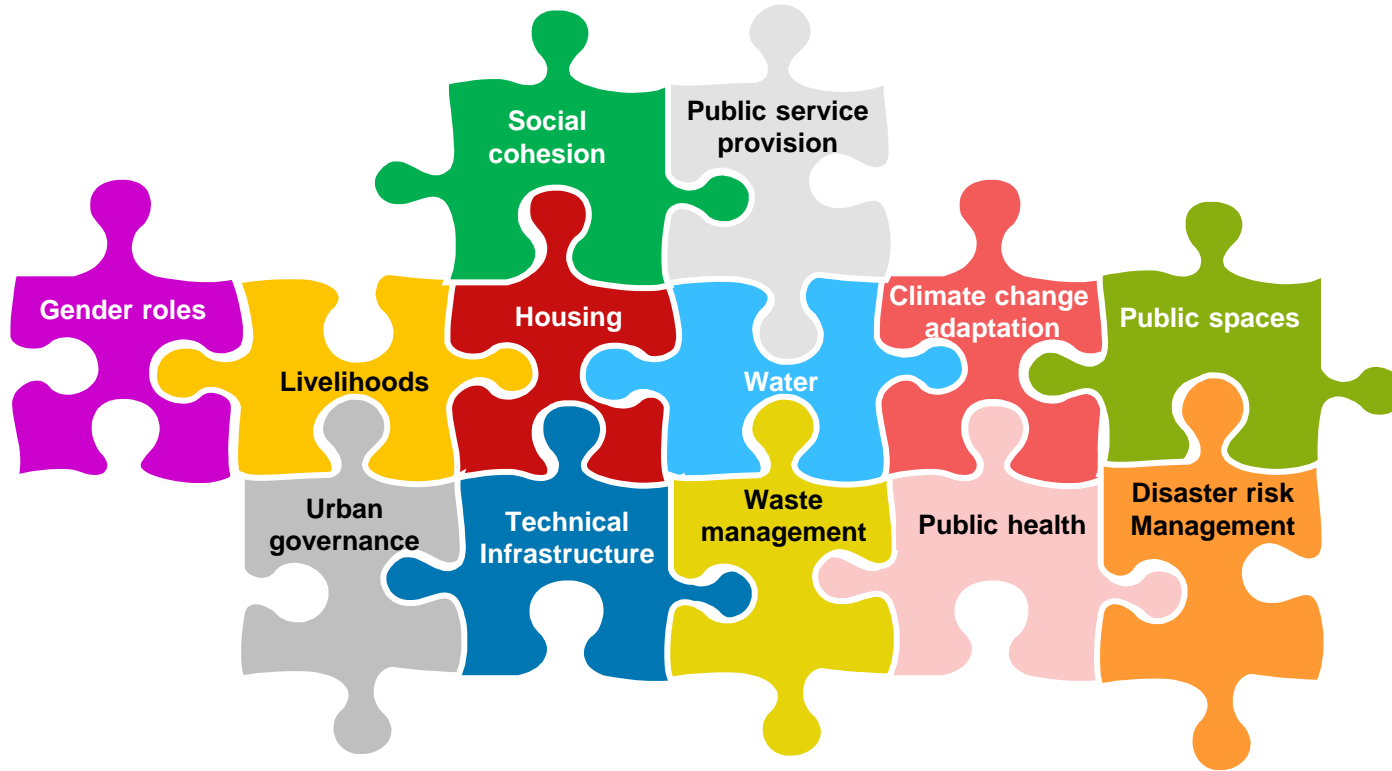
- Welcome
- Introduction by Annette Lutz
- Interview with Carlos Vega (San José) and Khaled AbuAisheh (Aqaba)
  - Challenges and Goals
  - Approaches and lessons learned
- Q&A
  - What are YOUR experiences? *Small group exchange*
  - Plenary: Let's learn from each other



# Integrated urban development – what does **water** have to do with it?



# Integrated urban development – what does **water** have to do with it?







Public spaces

Water

Livelihoods

Gender roles

Public health





Social cohesion

Water

Housing

Disaster risk management

Waste management







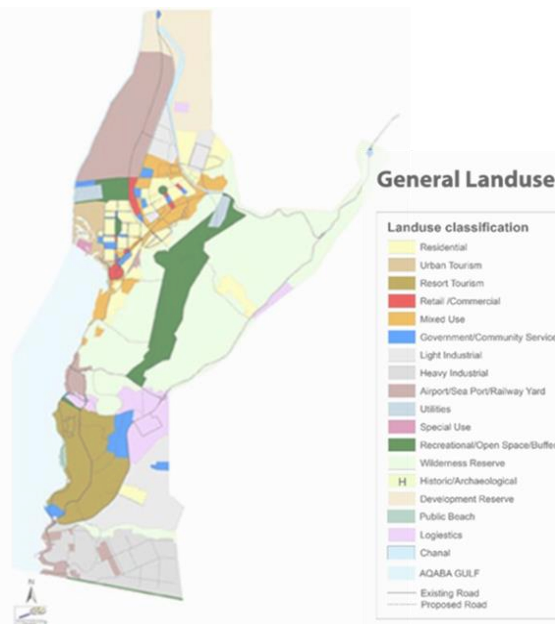
Gender roles

Water

Adaptation to  
climate change

Public service  
provision

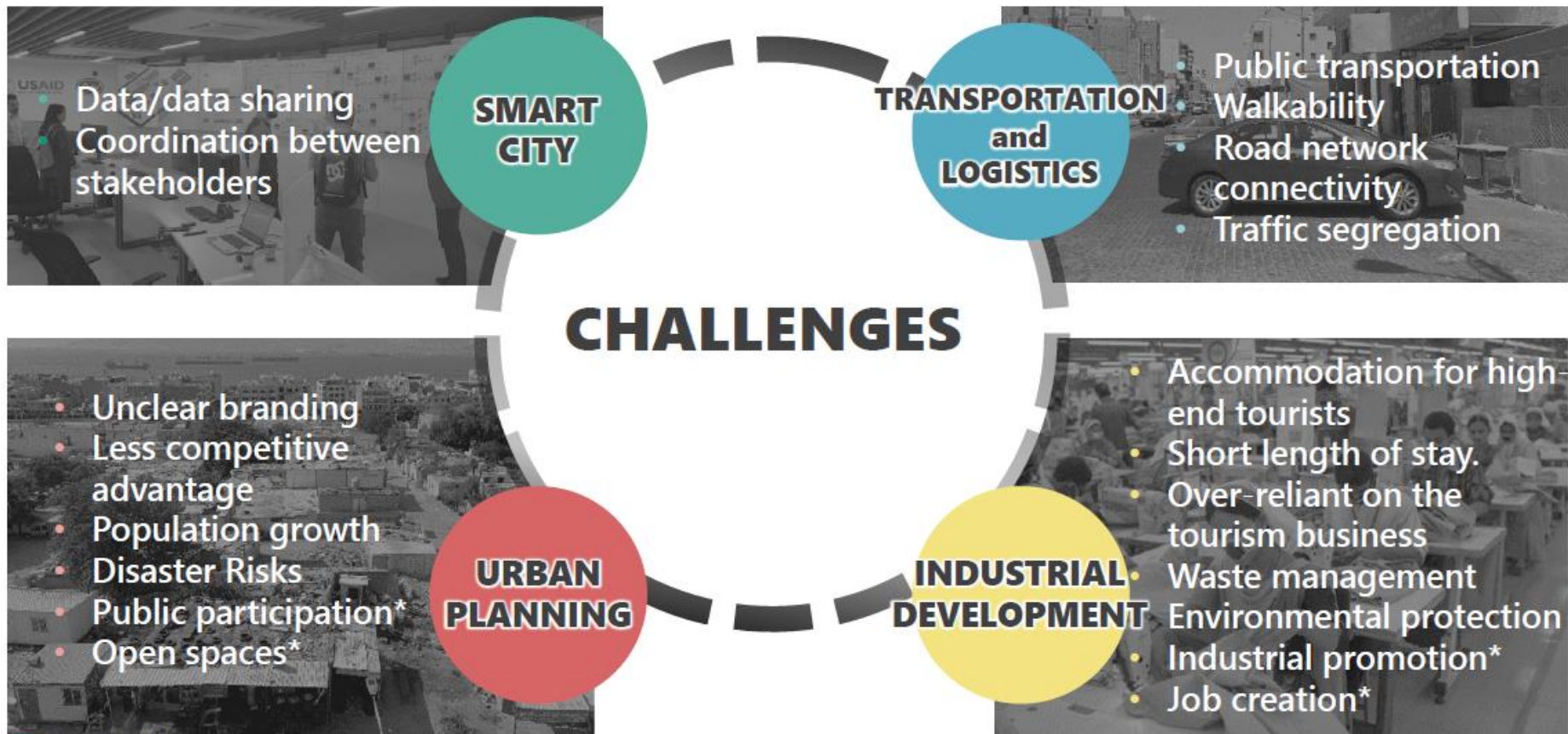
Technical  
infrastructure



**Aqaba Master Plan**

**Eng. Khaled AboAisheh**

# Challenges and Directions (Sector-wise)



\* : Resident's viewpoint

# Costa Rica as a Green Country



**Carlos Cordero Vega**

**Director of the Secretariat of Sectoral Planning  
Ministry of Environment and Energy, Costa Rica**

**E mail: [ccordero@minae.go.cr](mailto:ccordero@minae.go.cr)**



## High demographic concentration



## The city is surrounded by nature



## The city is not as green as we would like



## Geographical conditions favor water across city



# Biodiver-City, Green City Project – MINAE, SINAC and GIZ

# Interurban Biological Corridors, SINAC



# Sweet City, Municipality of Curridabat

# Naturban Routes, NGO





What are YOUR  
experiences?

*Small group exchange*



# Plenary: Let's learn from each other

