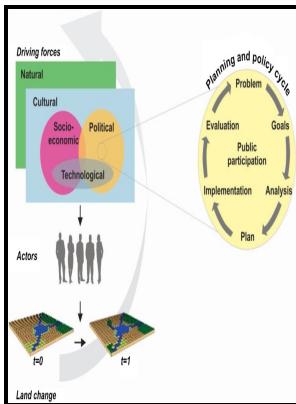


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When cities are well-planned and managed, they can lift families out of poverty, liberate women from gender-based discrimination, point to bright futures for children and youth, offer comforts and supports to older persons in their golden years and welcome migrants looking for a better life. In some urban slums, poor women have fertility rates closer to those of rural women.

For sustainable cities, Africa needs planning

It is not surprising that the world's most urban countries tend to be the richest and have the highest human development. Moreover, lower-cost technology can be upgraded over time, as money becomes available. Box 9-1 Dominating Cities Nairobi, Kenya: In 1975, Nairobi had 57 per cent of all Kenya's manufacturing employment and two-thirds of its industrial plants.

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This can be done by formulating a national urbanisation strategy as a first step to help to identify urban development priorities, shape plans and better coordinate actions by all the actors involved, including the private sector. A megacity is a new kind of market that has new requirements, but also, given its large size, offers substantial opportunities to whomever, in either the developing or the developed world, recognizes it and has the skills and patience to pursue it.

Urban issues and challenges

In 2015, SSA included thousands of urban centers, of which two mega-cities had over inhabitants; three cities had between 5 and 10 million; and another 41 cities had populations between 1 and 5 million. The link between national economies and international economic factors has been discussed in Part I of this report. Human and financial resources get stretched too thin.

Rapid urbanisation: opportunities and challenges to improve the well

Urban land is expanding much faster than urban population, a phenomenon known as urban sprawl. Air quality has generally improved, with a decline in the emission of particles and sulphur oxides.

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