

# "How to move from Local Agenda 21 to the new 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development? Perspectives from the local level"

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# The Local Agenda 21 Legacy





## Local Agenda 21 – weaknesses



#### non-statutory,/non-binding planning processes

- Often disconnected and parallel
- A lack of reliability and institutional structures
- A lack of clearly defined goals and indicators applying across levels of governance
- Hardly linked to regulation or legislation largely based on initiatives and projects

statutory,/binding planning processes

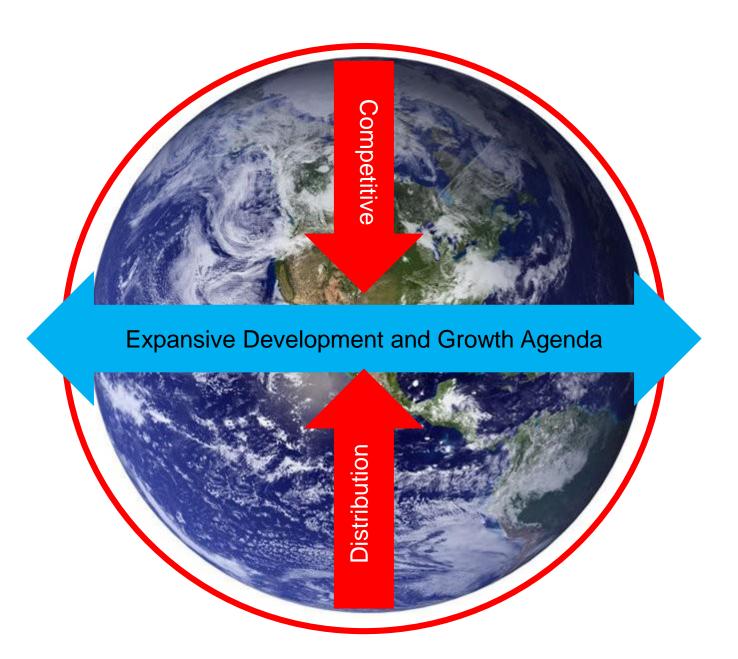
#### What is changing with new global frameworks?



- A wider perspective beyond environment
- New and clearly defined goals
- An implicit acknowledgement of global boundaries and limits
- Clearly defined timelines
- A changing approach from planning to implementation
- Connected to a monitoring and reporting mechanism for national governments

# Accepting and managing global boundaries





### The challenge of transformation



Global Boundaries/ Global Needs



Present

Transformation/Structural Change



Local Needs/ Local Boundaries UN Agenda 2030/SDGs

Future

Paris Agreement

#### How to localize?







































### The sustainability reference framework for local governments is already quite confusing...



UN Urban Agenda (2016)

- UN SDGs (2015) The EU Urban Agenda The Aalborg Commitments (Amsterdam Pact, forthcoming (2004)
- EU Energy Union (2015) ້/ The EU Urban Thematic EU Green Infrastructure Strategy **Strategy** (2005)
- (2014)The EU Sustainable Smart Cities Initiative **Development Strategy** (2014)(2006)
- Mayors Adapt Initiative The Covenant of Mayors (2014)(2008)
- EU Urban Mobility Package The EU Urban Reference (2013)Framework (2008) The 7th Environmental
  - Action Plan (2013) Bristol, Leipzig, Marseille, Toledo (2005, 2007, 2008, 2010) EU Adaptation Strategy
    - (2012)The Territorial Agenda EU Biodiversity Strategy (2008)
      - (2011)The EU 2020 Strategy

(2010)

#### From vision to implementation



Backcasting (Input)

Data

Indicators (KPIs)

Goals

Strategy Plans Actions

#### Forecasting (Output)





# SDGs, Paris Agreement and the process of urban transformation



#### Paris Agreement

Mitigation Keep temparature raise below 2° C NDCs

Adaptation

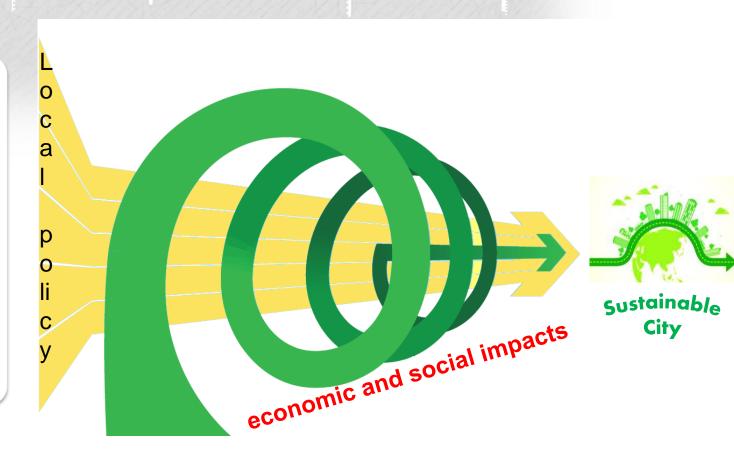
#### UN Agenda 2030

**SDG 11** 

SDG 1

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**SDG 17** 

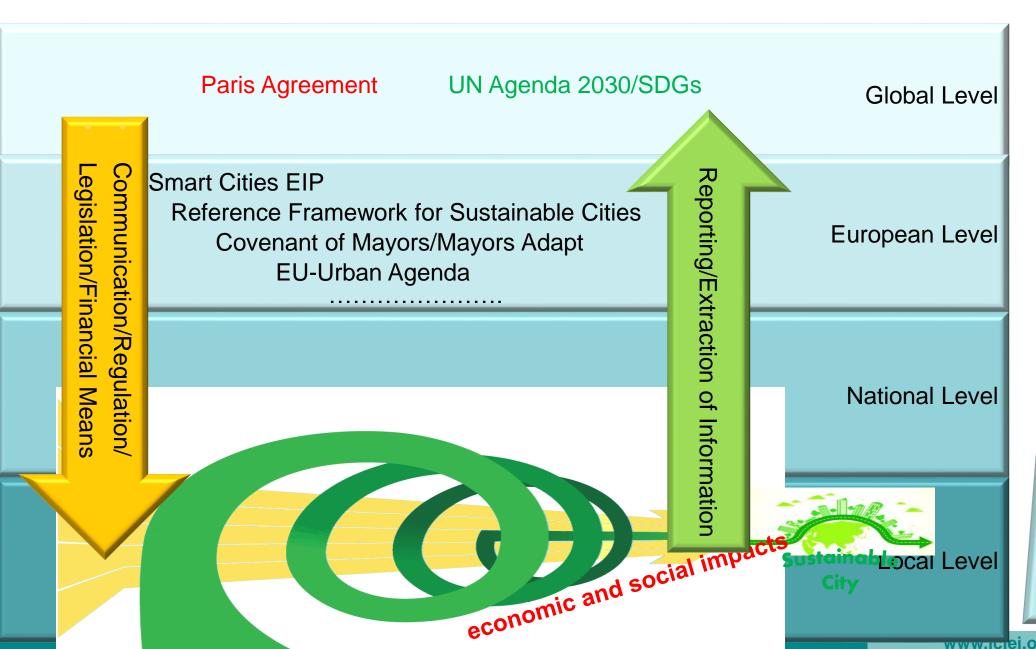




Transformation happens at the speed of trust.....

#### Need for a reliable and coherent framework and support structure for transformation





Level of trust

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