

Urbanization as an accelerator for sustainable development:

Major priorities and outcomes of the First Cambodia Urban Forum

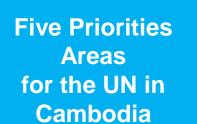
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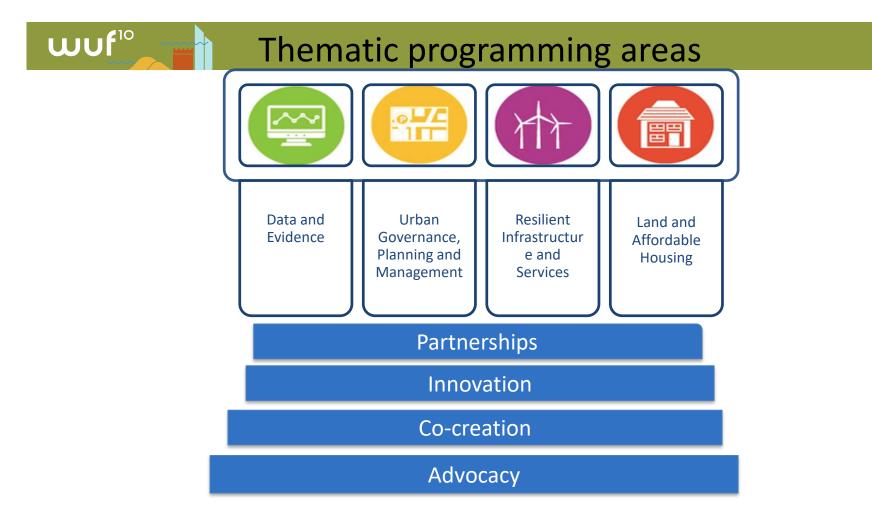




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## The First Cambodia Urban Forum

Smart, Sustainable, and Inclusive Urbanization in Cambodia

• Share knowledge and experience

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- Discuss and agree on urban priorities
- Discuss and agree on the way forward



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- 1. Urbanization is a **powerful positive force for sustainable development**;
- 2. Rapid unplanned urban growth is leading to emerging issues (e.g., growing informal settlements, poor housing conditions, polluted environments);
- 3. Commit to ensuring people-centered urban development;
- 4. Land issues impact urbanization. Community ownership of development projects is key.
- 5. An integrated people-oriented approach considers **a mix of land uses**, inclusive public spaces, conservation of cultural heritage, etc.;
- 6. Affordable housing remains a challenge. New financing modalities and partnerships matter.
- 7. Ensure resilience to climate change/disasters and achieve green growth;
- 8. Harness smart city technologies;
- 9. Work with multistakeholders and form action-orientated partnerships; and
- 10. Develop a National Urban Policy

1. Work to **establish a stronger knowledge base** and deepen the use of evidence for policy making in order to inform planning and investment decisions;

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- 2. Advocate for **increased**, **long term and predictable financing** for sustainable urban development;
- 3. Support the development of sustainable urbanization through effective consultation and partnership;
- 4. Ensure the **full participation in urban planning and policy** for urban futures.



## **Thanks for your attention**

