Planning for sustainable infrastructure: Institutional barriers to cross-sectoral collaboration
• A cooperation between:

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OBJECTIVES

To facilitate worldwide *networking* between urban actors from politics, administration, business, science and civil society

To support a systematic and application-oriented *exchange* of experience on *good practices* and through *peer-to-peer-consultations* and joint learning processes

To support the development of innovative ideas for *urban change projects* in different formats.
Regions and Networks

Southeast Europe
/Caucasus

ASIA

MENA

Sub-Saharan Africa

Latin-America
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**Infrastructure: Impacts on sustainable development**

- Infrastructure underpins human and economic development and is linked to all 17 SDGs.
- Influencing the attainment more than 90% of the 169 individual SDG targets.
- The construction and operation of grey infrastructure → 70% GHG emissions.
- Poorly planned infrastructure → exclusion
- Financial sustainability
Additional cost of SI → the net effect of these investments is very positive from social, economic and environmental perspectives e.g. the rise of economic growth

The lifespan of infrastructure assets is often measured in decades, while infrastructure footprint is measured in centuries.

Integrating Sustainability into infrastructure

Estimated annual infrastructure investment in 2020 per sector
An opportunity for a transition

The majority of infrastructure that will exist in 2050 has not yet been built. It will take trillions of dollars of investment per year to build it, and this infrastructure will mainly be built in developing countries.

Estimated annual infrastructure investment in 2020 per Region

- EAP
- EAC
- LAC
- MENA
- SA
- SSA
Connective Cities dialogue: ‘Participatory, Innovative and Sustainable Urban Infrastructure Decision Making’

How to overcome barriers to planning for integrated sustainable infrastructure and promoting cross-sectoral collaboration?
• **What to expect:**

• Insights and experience on tools for **integrating sustainability across the lifecycle** of infrastructure projects, to help guide DM towards the selection of more sustainable infrastructure projects.

• **Innovative and collaborative decision-making framework** to break down silos, and improve coordination between and within institutions — to facilitate and incentivize more interdisciplinary collaboration.

“**doing infrastructure right**” to “**doing the right infrastructure**” that best meets service needs in a sustainable way.