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# Africa's Evolving Security Landscape

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# Overview

Overview of megatrends

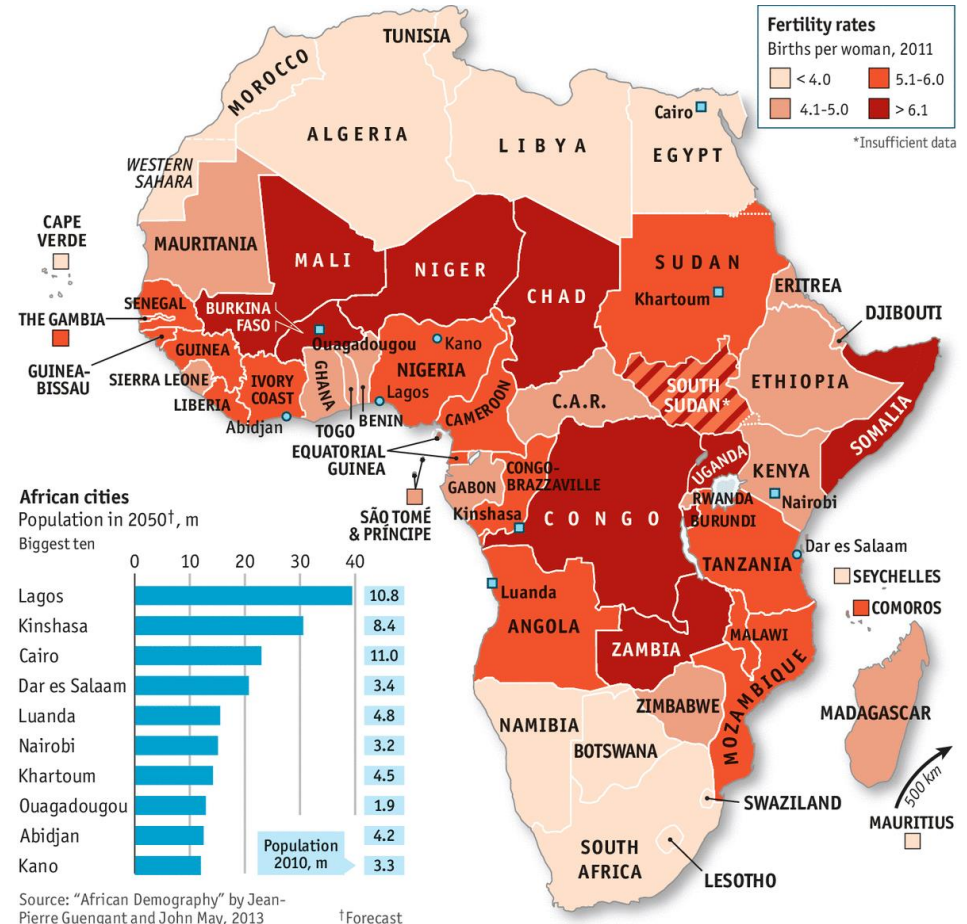
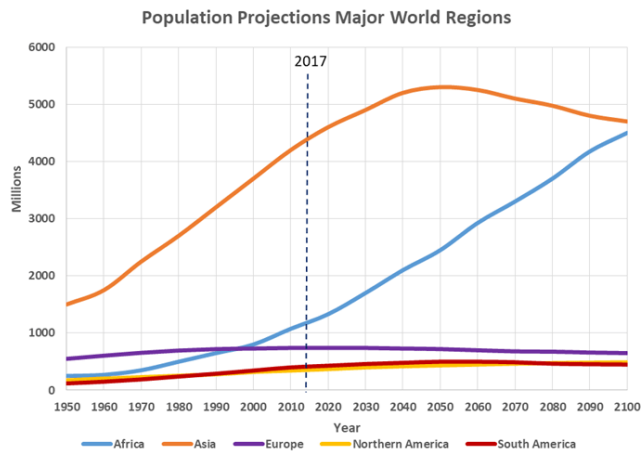
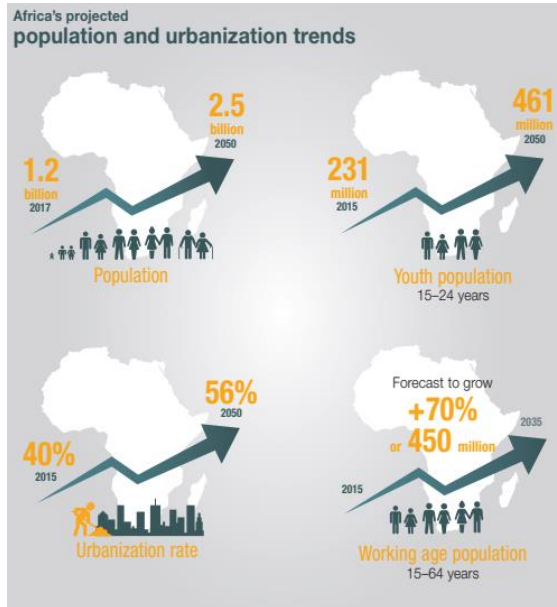
Implications for Insecurity

Mitigating Risk

Opportunities for Legislators

A Theory of Change

# Demography

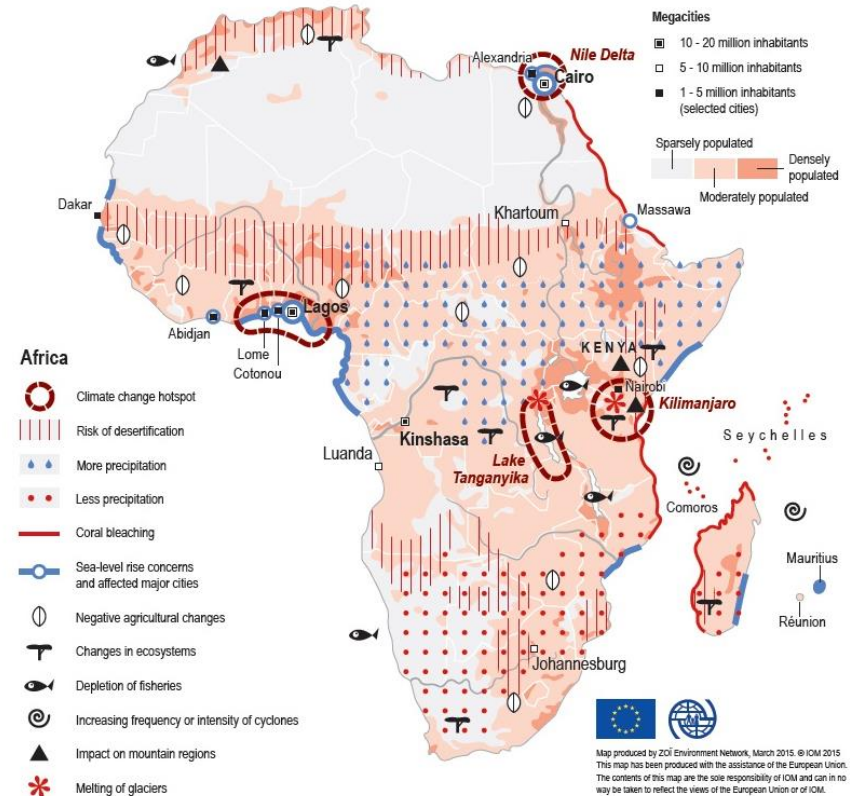
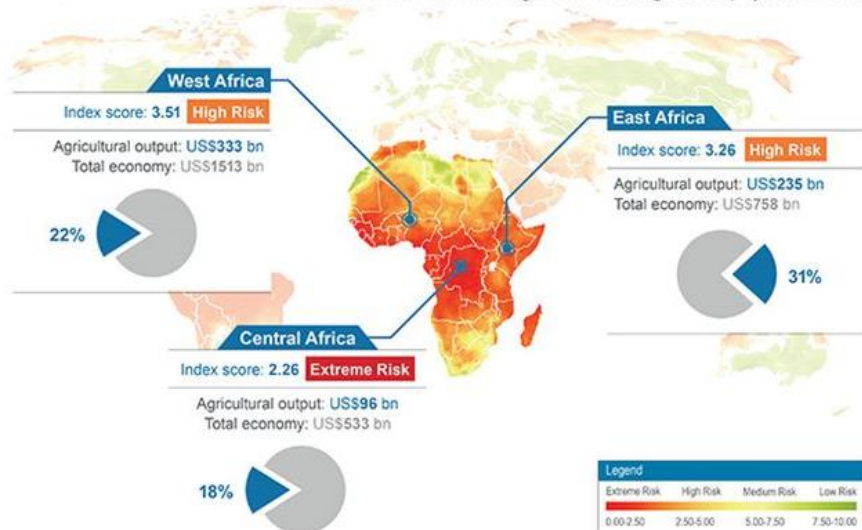


# Climate



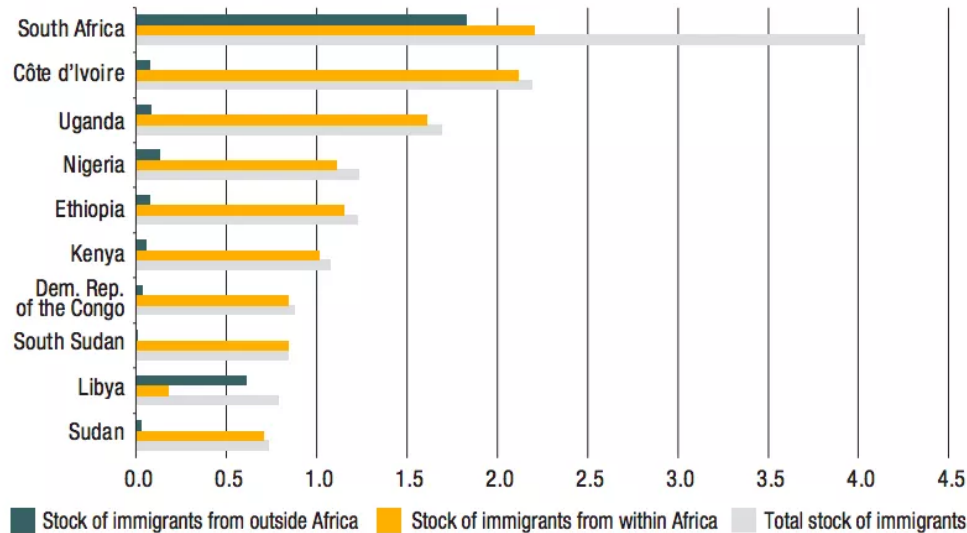
## Climate Change Exposure Index 2017

Economies reliant on agriculture face greatest physical threats

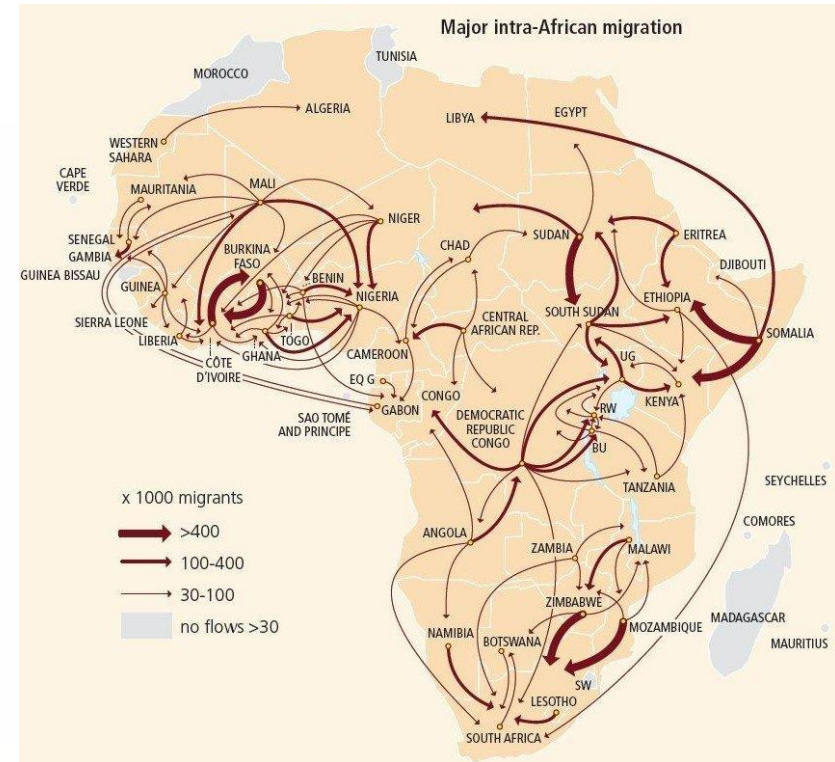


# Migration

**Countries with largest numbers of immigrants, 2017**  
(Millions)

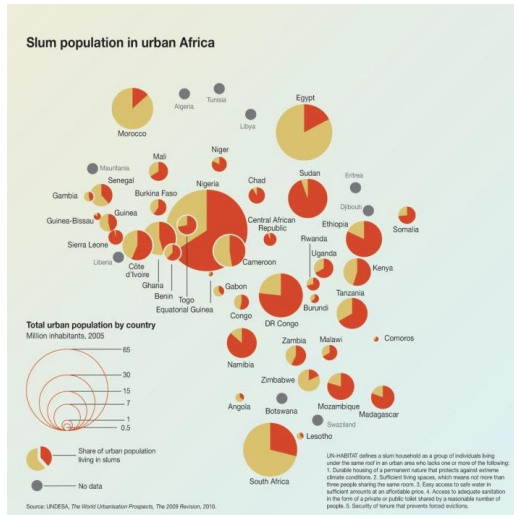


Source: UNCTAD calculations, based on United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, 2017a.





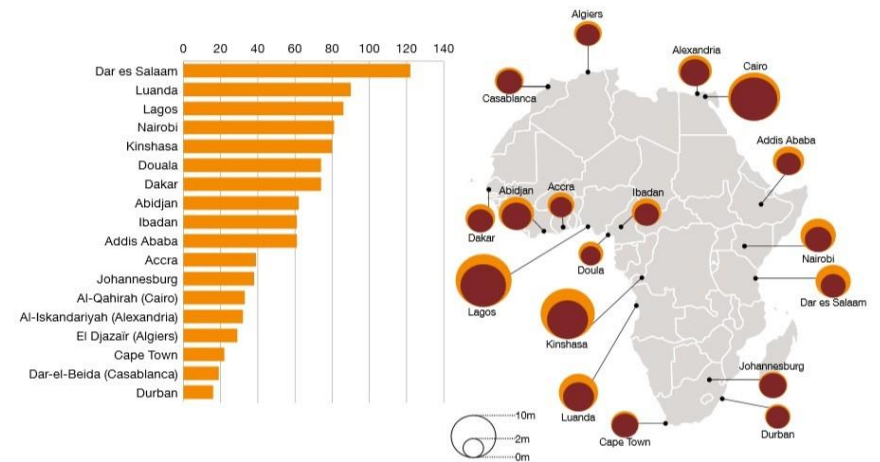
# Urbanization



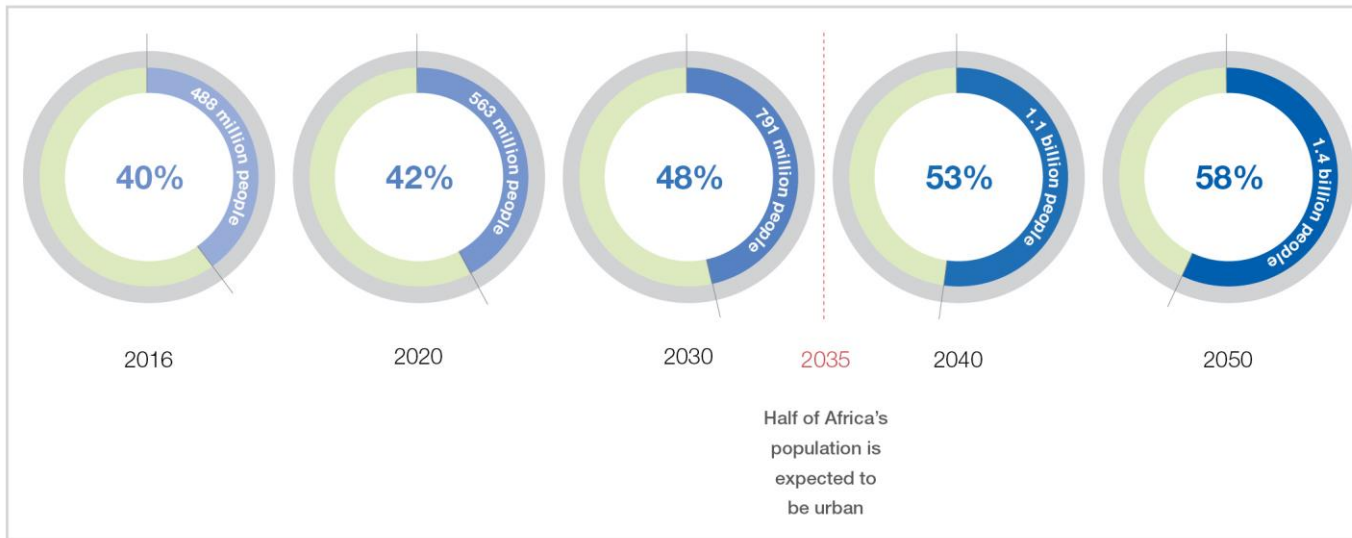
## Growth of Africa cities:

% increase, 2010 – 2025 forecast

City population, forecasts, 2010 – 2025



Source: United Nations Population Division, World Urbanisation Prospects, the 2014 revision



Source: United Nations World Urbanization Prospects, IFs version 7.22.

# Some Security Implications

- Resource competition
- State-citizen relationships
- Inter- and intra-group strife
- Trans-national crime
- Vulnerable groups

# This train has left the station . . . . .

## 1. Slow the train down

- *Medium- and longer term perspectives*

## 2. Redirect the train

- *Focus on the opportunities*

## 3. Repurpose the train

- *Creative partnerships*

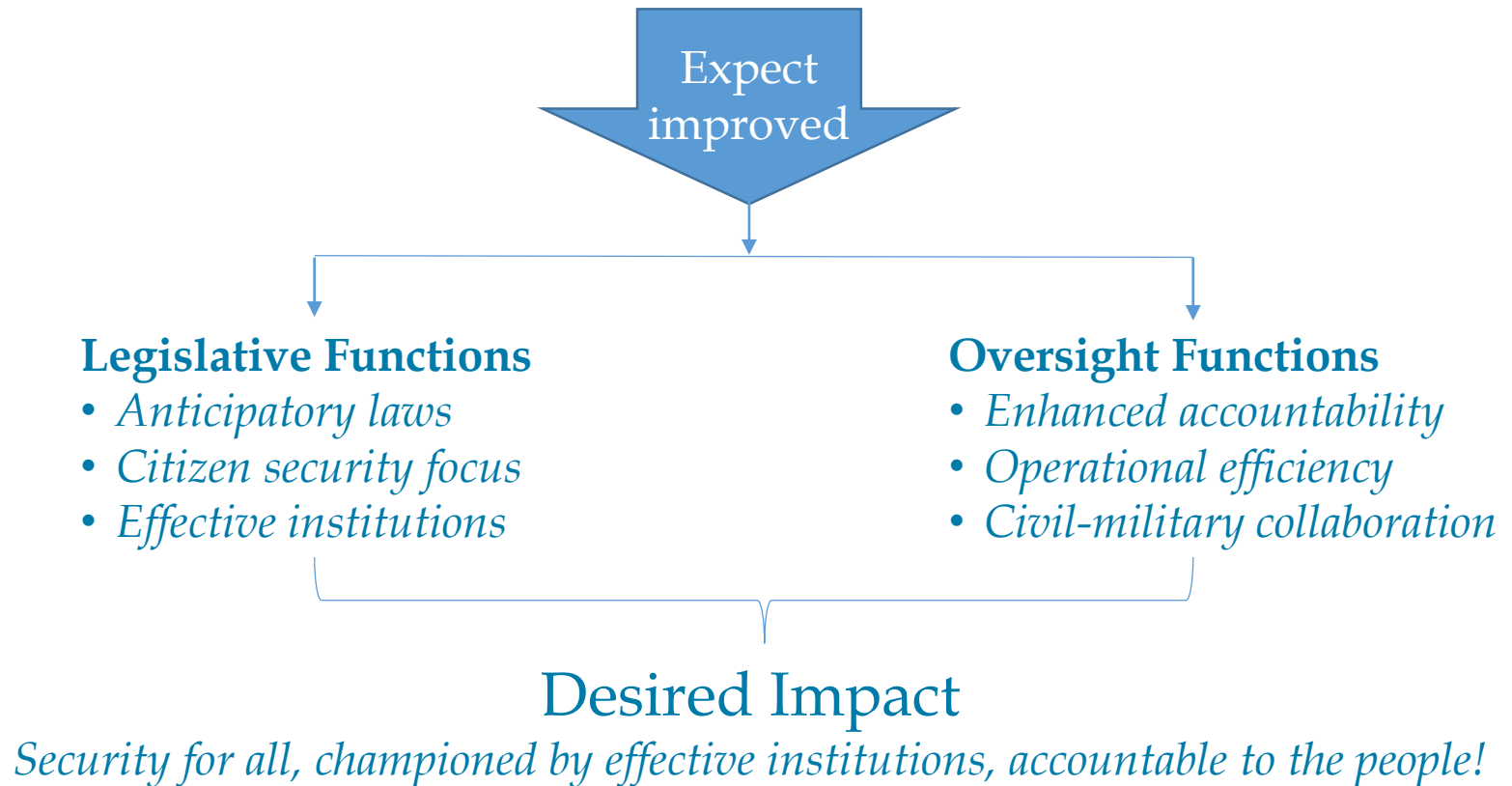


# Opportunities for legislators

- Prioritize security strategy development
- Get smart about the security sector
- Focus on institutions
- Adopt S.M.A.R.T. metrics
- Incorporate confidentiality

# A theory of change

1. Invest in human capacity
2. Prioritize institutional reform
3. Develop effective partnerships.



# Key points

1. Africa's multifaceted security challenges require a focused and fully-functioning legislature.
2. Effective security sector legislation requires deeper insights into the drivers and sustainers of insecurity.
3. Legislative institutions must be prepared, and empowered to address confidential matters.
4. Both legislative and oversight functions must be enhanced to ensure success.
5. Democratic governance is key!



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