



# Strategic eco-spatial planning: Case studies from Guinea and Palestine

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# Outline

# Strategic Structure (Spatial) Planning

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## 1. Co-produce a desirable future (shared vision)

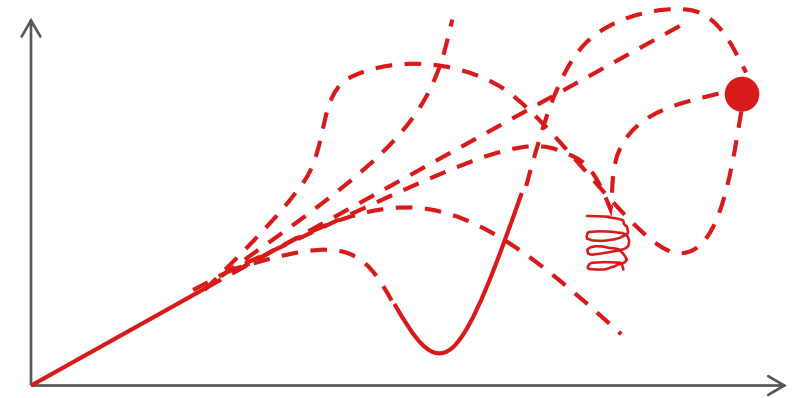
- Future is to be invented
- Build on your assets
- Involve all key stakeholders

## 2. Define strategic actions

- Make choices
- Build on opportunities
- Dynamic constant formulation by testing and learning

## 3. Define the means

- Build partnerships



➔ *Combine **long-term objectives** with **short-term solution-oriented actions** taking into account rapid change and the limitations of resources*

➔ *Use more strategic and **dynamic** spatial planning tools than classic masterplans*

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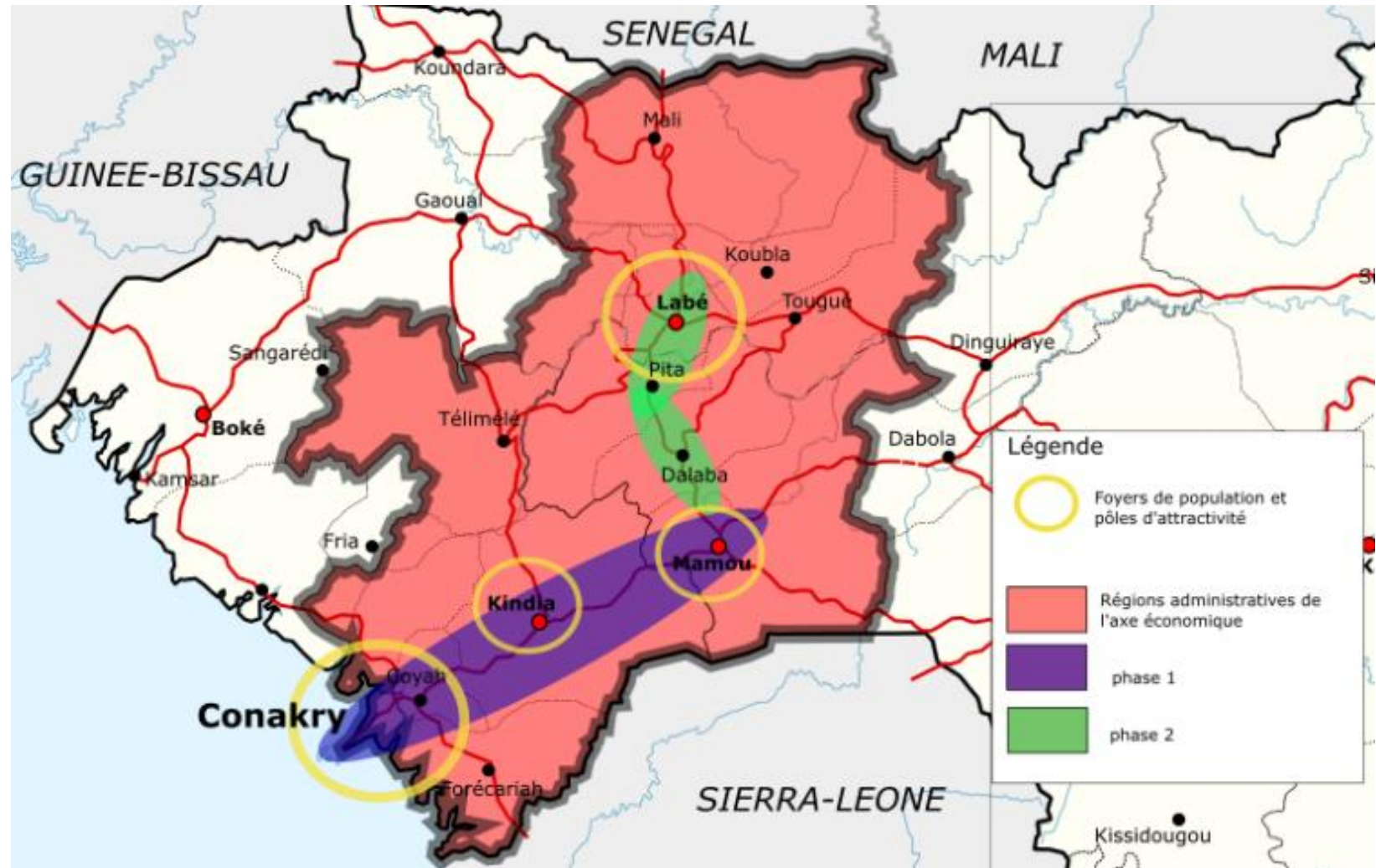
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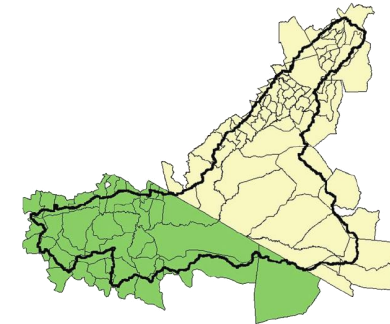
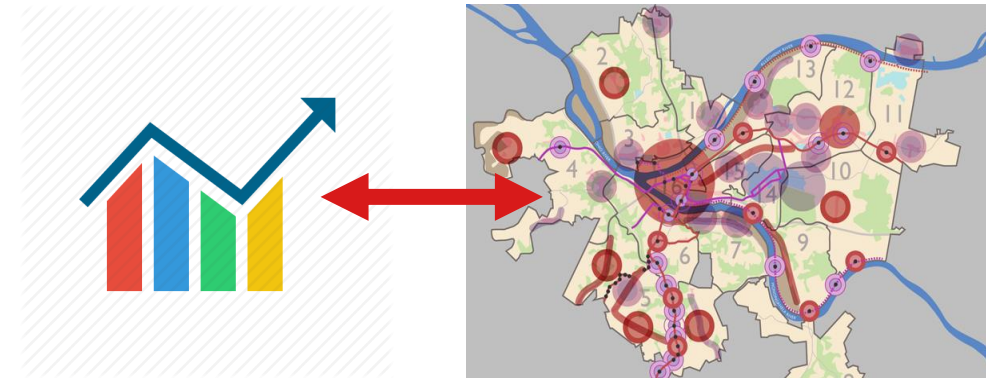
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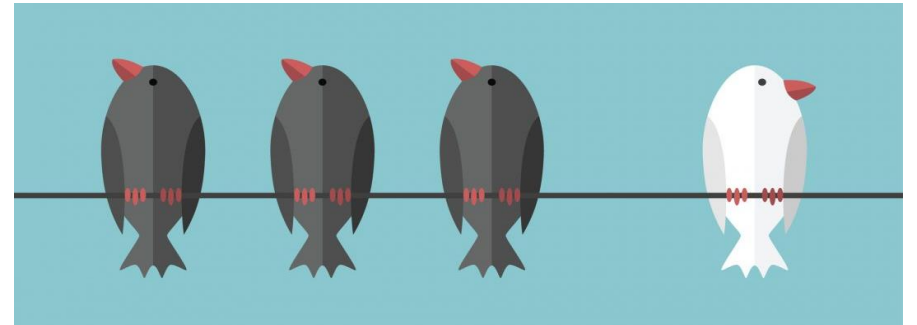
- **Co-production**  
involving all stakeholders
- **Link economic and spatial perspectives**
- **Work across the administrative boundaries**



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## 2. Approach

- **LIPW**  
Labour-Intensive Public Works
- **Differentiation**  
Specificities of the secondary cities to avoid duplication and competition of investments





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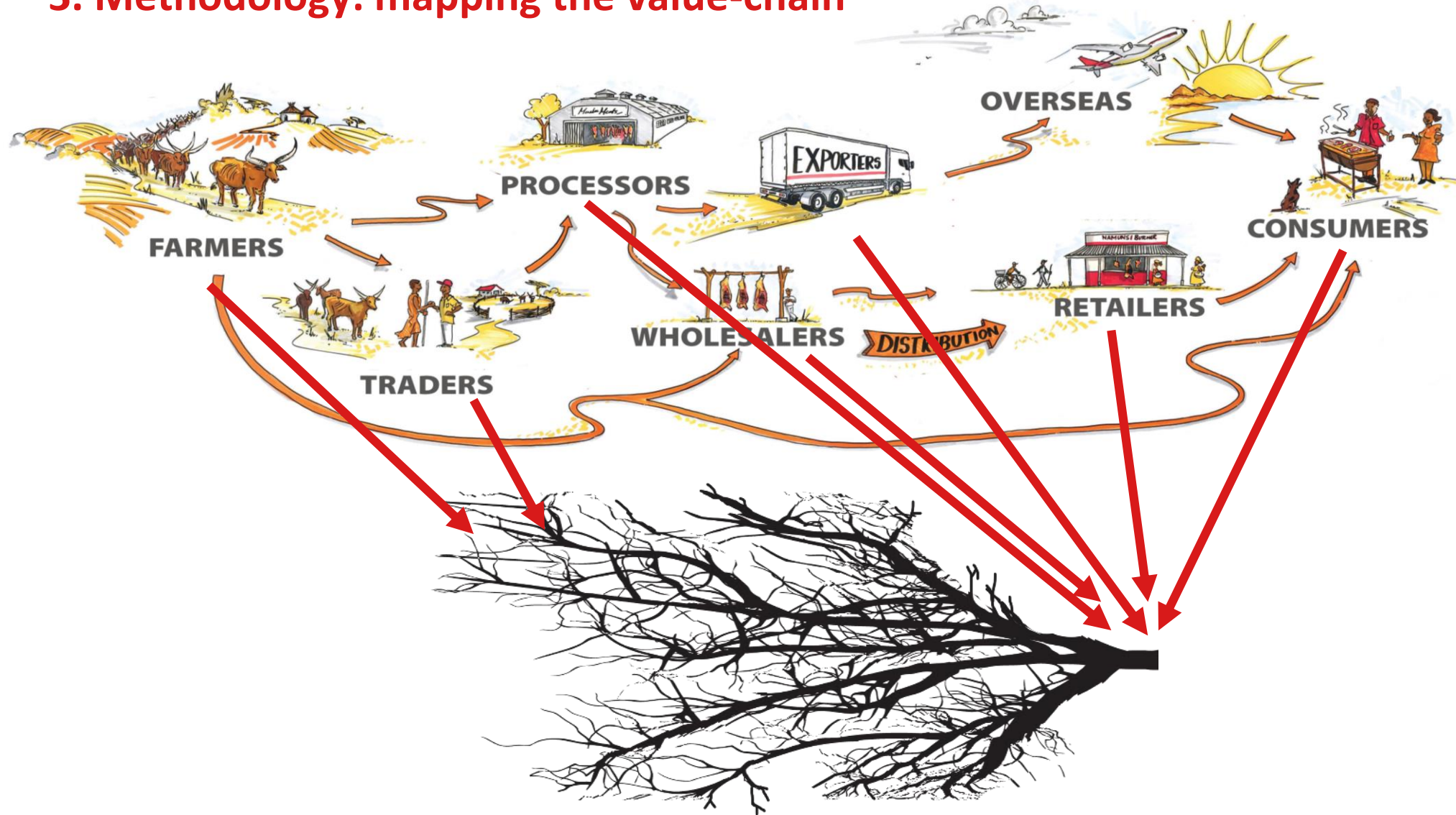
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## 3. Methodology: mapping the value-chain



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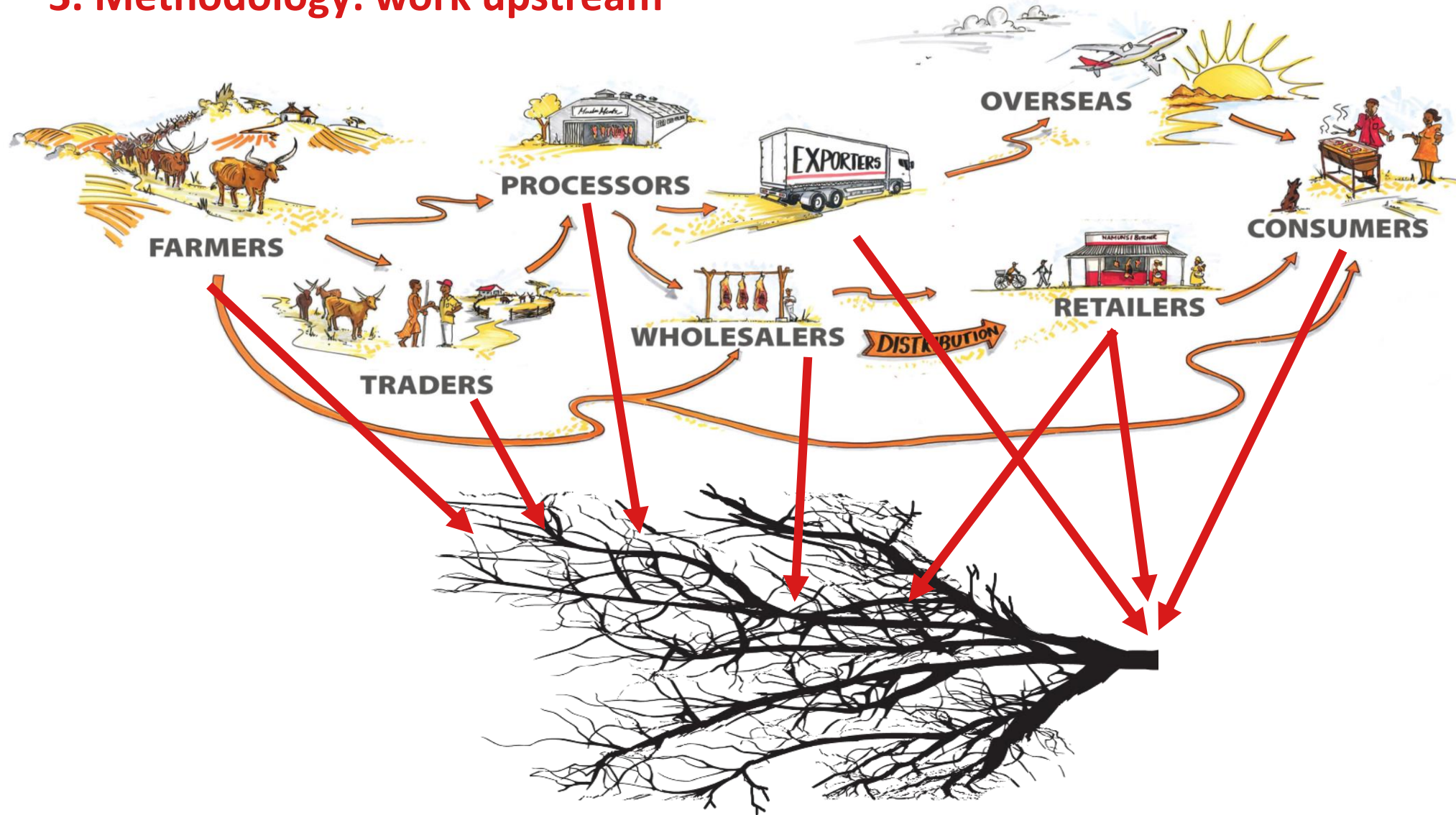
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## 3. Methodology: work upstream



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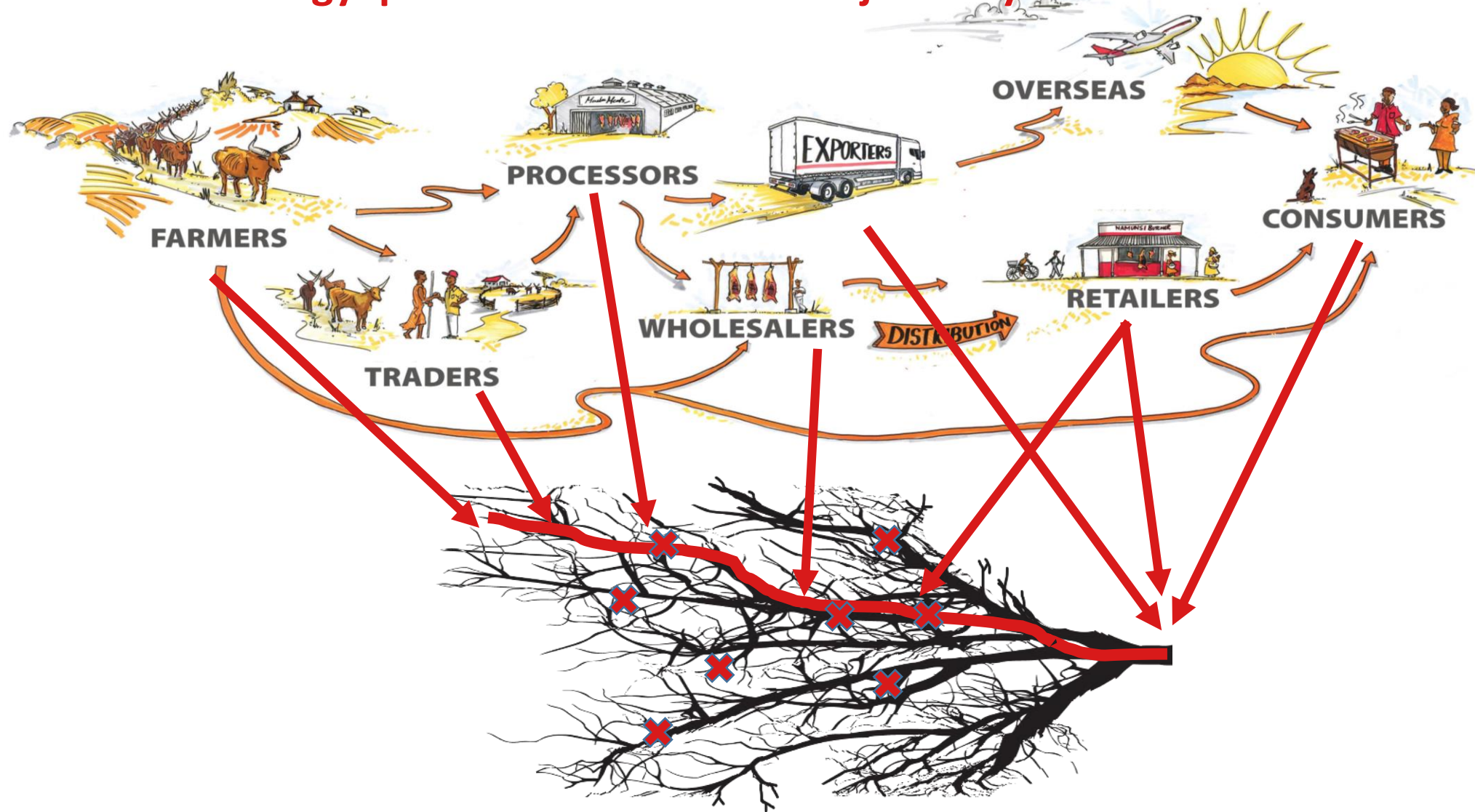
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## 3. Methodology: prioritize investments objectively



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## 4. Examples of investments by sector



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## 1. Three elements of context

### Abandoned

Historic Centres



### Speculative

Real estate developments



### Fractured

and occupied territory



→ *Risk of disintegration and losing one's history*

# Palestine: Regeneration of Historic Centers

## 2. Approach

- Support Palestine's **historical cultural significance**
  - *through urban planning and physical development*
- **Support local governance**
  - *integrated planning processes*
  - *clustering of municipalities*
- **Foster local economic development**
  - *rebranding old city centres*
  - *reassigning new purposes to old buildings*
  - *networking*

# Palestine: Regeneration of Historic Centers

## 3. Methodology

### 1. Identification of strategic opportunities

- amalgamation of villages, landmarks, routes

### 2. Inventory of assets (natural, historic and economic)

### 3. Strategic Development Framework and selection of strategic projects

### 4. Detailed Urban Plans (DUP)

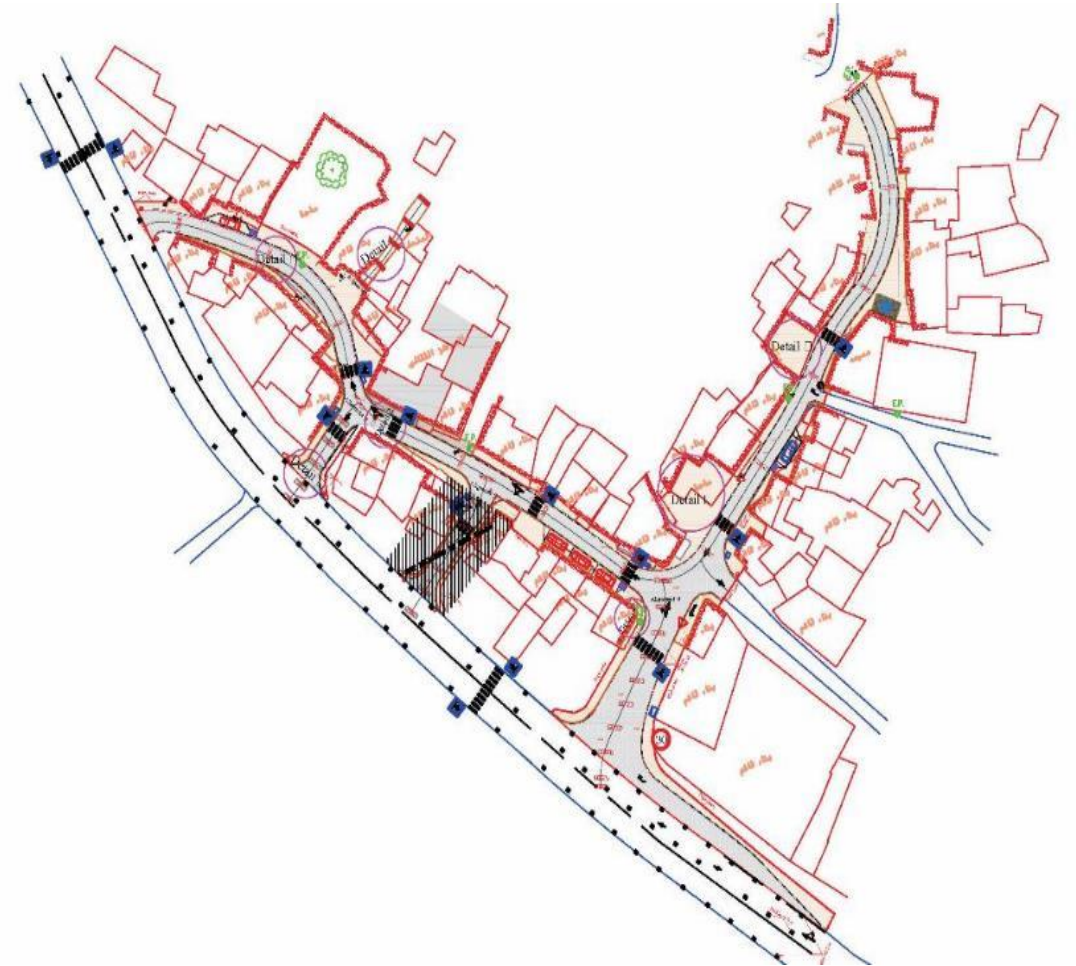
### 5. Implementation (infrastructure works, new functions, selection of operators, communication/branding)



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## 4. Example: capturing fluxes in Ad Dahriyeh

- Situation
  - **30 000 people travelling** daily across the “border”
  - **Difficult access** to the old town
- Actions:
  - Increase **accessibility**
  - Develop **market places**,
  - Create **new functions**
  - **Rehabilitate** the urban environment



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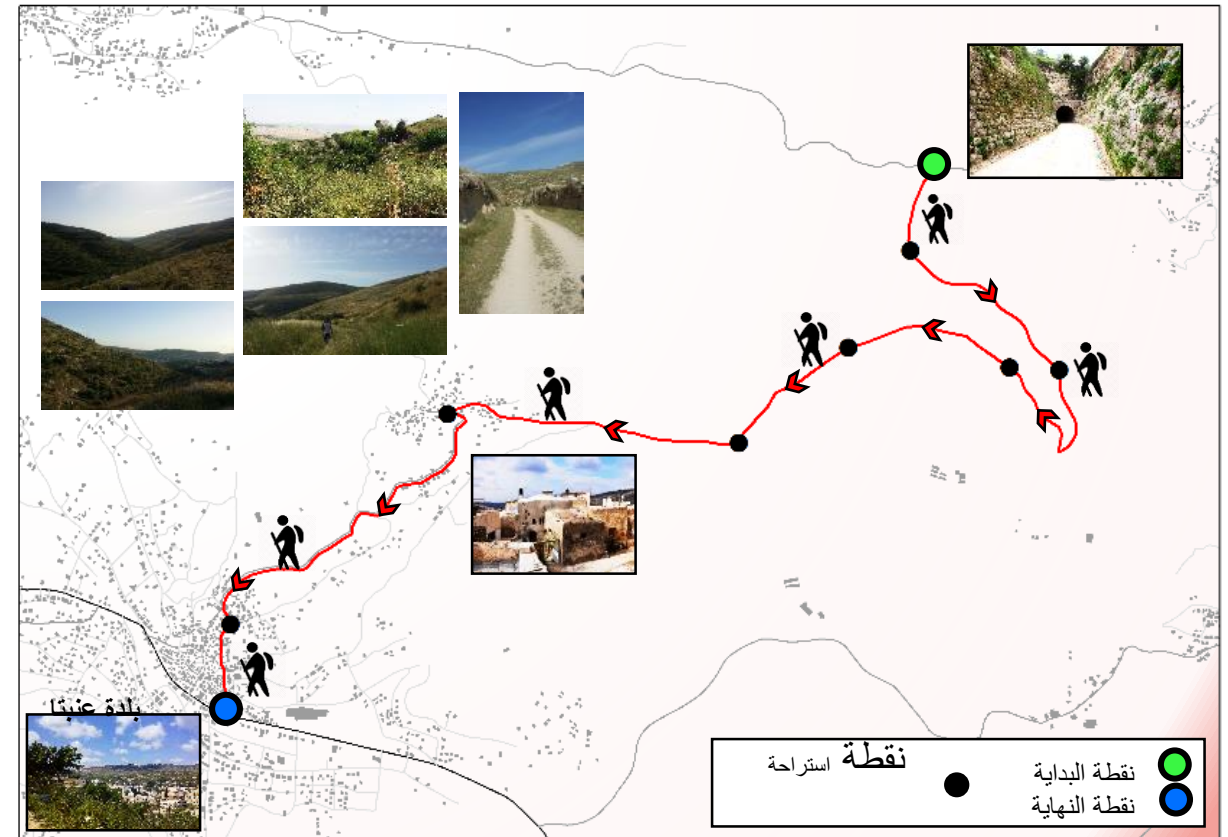
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## 4. Example: tourism in Sebastya

- **Site rehabilitation**
- **Rebranding (UNESCO)**
- **LED**
- **Creating new hiking trails** through different villages



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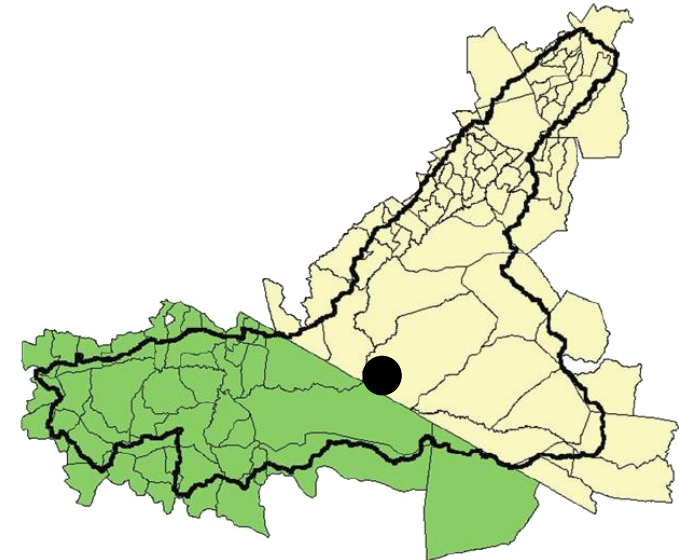
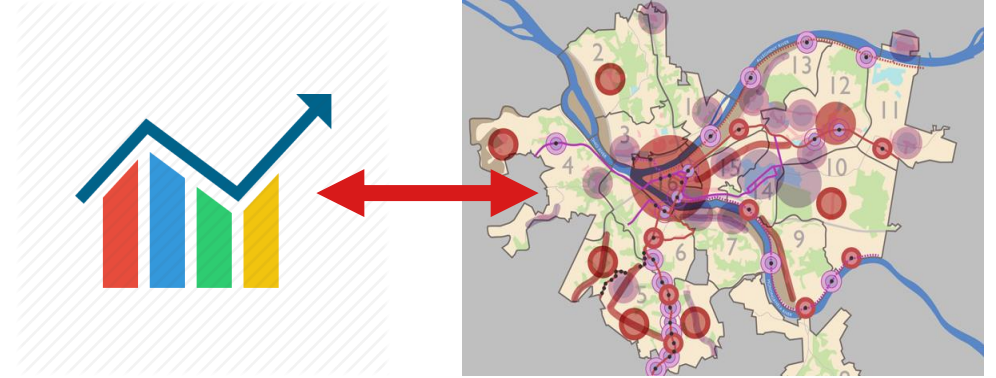
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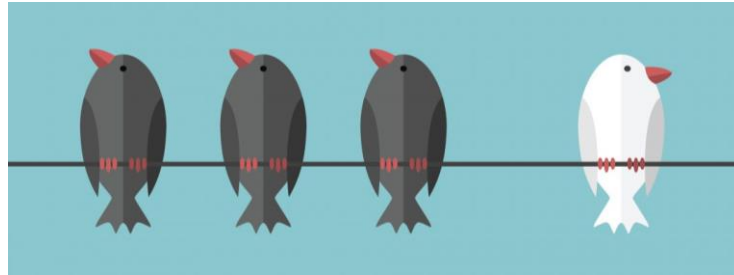


# Conclusions

- Integrate disciplines and **spatialize** economic development
- Be creative in **identifying strategic areas** of intervention at an intermediate scale and across usual boundaries



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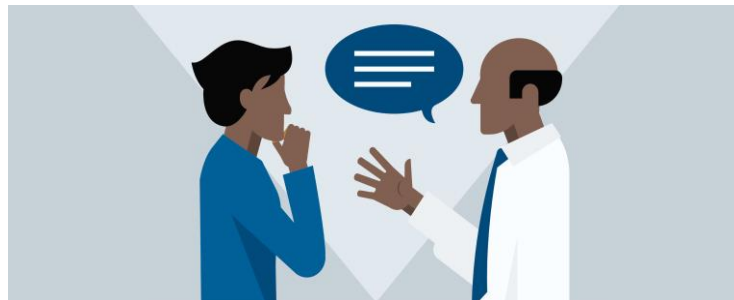
## Differentiate

- Be distinctive – build on assets
- Avoid duplication/competition of investments



## Foster collaboration

- Between different local authorities
- Synergies between secondary cities
- Urban/rural connections



## Involve private sector

- Listen to their needs from the beginning
- Build partnerships

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