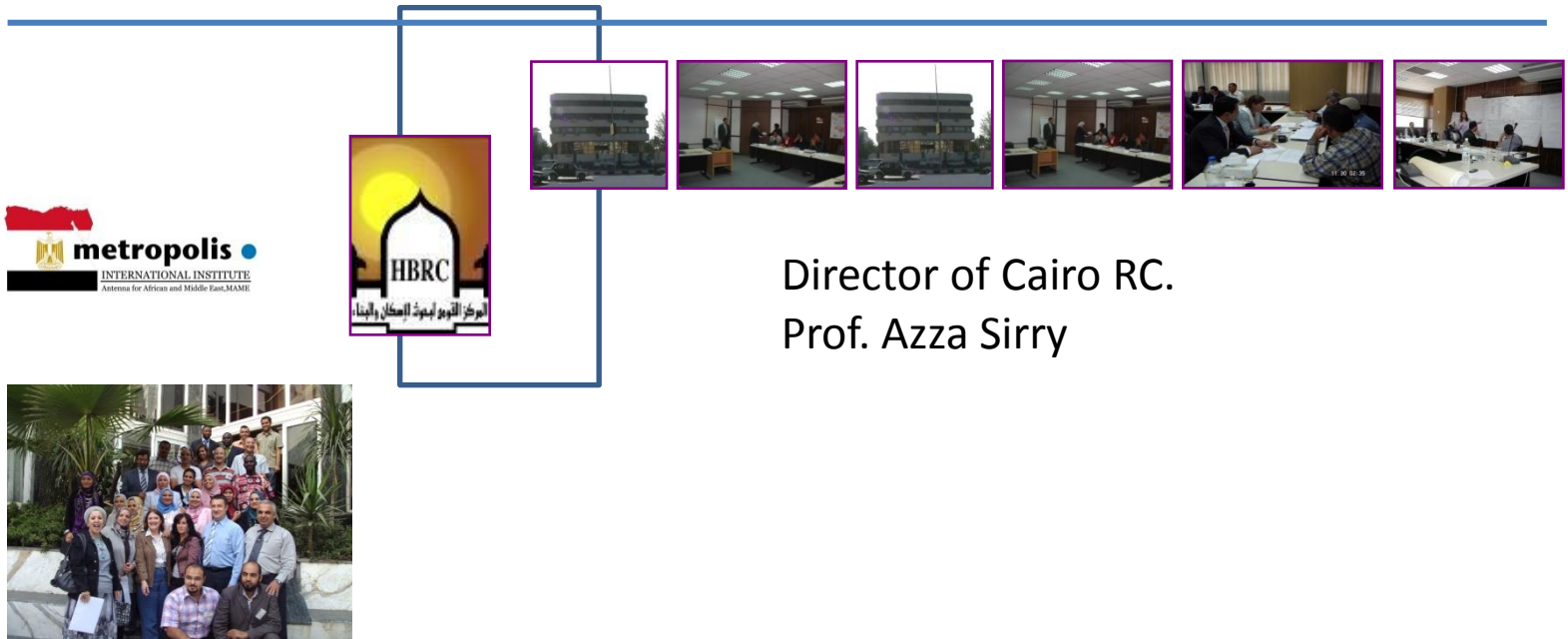


# METROPOLIS INTERNATIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE

## REGIONAL CENTER

### FOR AFRICA & MIDDLE EAST



# Training Plan of 2014

**Themes are based on needs of the region & new context priorities**

- **3 proposed programs**

two training and one workshop

- **Topics:**

- **Workshop :Integrating different scales of planning towards sustainable development projects Sept. 2014**
- **Sustainable Infrastructure provision for informal areas - June 2014**
- **Urban governance of new cities – Oct.2014**

- **Participants:**

**Mid career professionals from the regions' national authorities, Ministry of local government, Ministry of housing , local infrastructure entities,& city managers**

**The workshop will include students of Planning and Architecture Department s at Universities**

- **Different training forms & structures**

**The RC tries to propose different forms and structure of training**

- **Training courses    -workshops    - Study tours**



## Workshop :Integrating different scales of planning towards sustainable development projects Sept.2014

- 3 days workshop: The main concern of the workshop will be cities growing with unprecedented scale including high percent of informal or unplanned areas so the challenge is how to implement suitable development projects in these areas taking into account all planning scales and issues and previous experiences. The workshop will focus on five of the cities in the region (Cairo, Casablanca , Nairobi ,Sana'a and ,Abidjan.) as well as different scale cities from Egypt
- Participants : practitioners from the region , graduate students ,as well as international experts keynote speakers
- Teaching Method: Lectures, group work , comparative analysis of different case study areas ,discussions

## Sustainable Infrastructure provision for informal areas - June 2014

- 4 days training the main concern is how to meet the challenge of providing infrastructure for informal areas in a sustainable way within different countries context
- Training approach based on inviting experts and practitioners to introduce their experience and discuss successful case studies and best practices as well as field visits
- Participants include local administration city managers, water and sewage authorities and practitioners from the region

## Urban governance of new cities – Oct.2014

- 3 days training the main concern is good governance of new cities and new urban communities and how can city managers in the region learn from best practices in countries that have successfully planned , developed and managed new cities. The training will include field visit to new city(private )



- Participants include local administration city managers, infrastructure authorities and private sector developers

# Strength of RC's Training

- Training includes :lectures that include case studies with exercise and field visits to relevant sites if available
- Flexibility in training course and ability to introduce some changes to fit the requirements and to answer to the requests of participants as they state it in the first day.
- The supporting Training Program materials it include , a reader that includes special articles and researches that deal with the main topics ,and cd including PP, videos, and group pictures
- The training depended on creating an interactive platform for participant's involvement and presentation of Trainees experience
- FINAL EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE is implemented for each training course or workshop as a tool for RC development

## Strength of RC's Training specialties

- HBRC as the hosting institute performs a leading role in building sector in Egypt & Arab countries . HBRC has a multidisciplinary staff who holds degrees from various European and North American institutions and has a recognised professional experience in Egypt and Arab countries.
- RC staffs have worked in several research, advisory services and architectural and urban development projects. HBRC/RC also draws from the experience of a pool of associate staff of HBRC

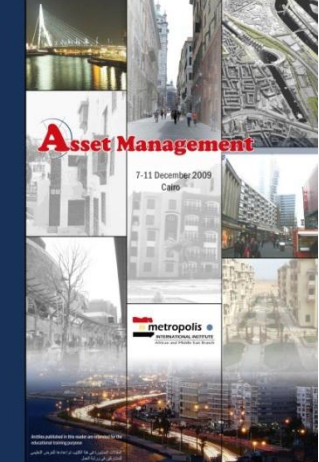
## Specialties you want to share with MITI

- Government-supported Research Organization
- High Level of Research that feeds to training
- Partnerships with Local & International Universities
- UN-habitat regional HQ in HBRC

## HBRC Infrastructure (Laboratories, Computers Facilities,

1 auditoriums (350 person)  
2 conference room & 6 classrooms  
1 computer lab & 1 energy lab, 10  
construction and material other labs





# RC development opportunities

- A major opportunity for the RC in Cairo lies in the new Egyptian government intention to play an effective role in Africa once more especially due to water issues
- Also from RC experience many African participants indicated that the Egyptian setting has many common background with their African countries, that is with regard to (laws , regulations ,administration , urban management systems, construction methods, water plants technology,...).This offers strength to the ability of the RC to attract African participants who feel that the Egyptian case studies and field visits are relevant to them, **only one step ahead** .





# Weakness of RC's Training

The current unrests in Egypt make attracting participants as well as inviting renowned lecturers international experts difficult

- Difficulty of long term planning of international trainings and workshops ,as many events has to be postponed or cancelled
- When HBRC is holding smaller events , conferences and seminars Metropolis has to agree that RC 's name and staff be involved in them (which we do not get)
- It is important to note that many of the planned topics of training lost their appeal as the Arab spring brought about new priority issues
- The budget for implementing training courses with HBRC subsidizing the participants attendance of training courses (Support of airfare and hotel)became very difficult as the national budget given to HBRC for such items had to be examined to verify the eligibility of beneficiaries-specially the years(2012-2013)-this year it is the allocation of funds is getting better especially for cooperation with Africa



## The relation with other RC

- We need more collaboration with Paris RC in training for French speaking Countries as this will add to both our centers
- Among regional centers , Cairo RC is specialized in **construction , material , physics , housing and planning**
- Cairo , Paris ,Mashhad RC as to coordinate activities and spheres of influence



# Discussion issues

## 1-The budget -budget lines

- Payment of registration fees/or subsidize participants
- Obligations of RC towards the travel expenses of experts ,
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- As to the need for translating in three languages (money/time)

## 2-Selection of Participants

3- The structure of the training needs of change during implementation to fit actual participants

3-Marketing the training & workshops internationally and regionally.