THE FUTURE OF CITIES:
FINDING A MIDDLE GROUND

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East Wahdat Upgrading Program, Amman, 1960s
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East Wahdat Upgrading Program, Amman, 2010s
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- Surveys conducted as early as possible to avoid issues at a later stage
- Cost effective and replicable
- Extensive consultation with the community
- No displacement of families
- Extensive follow up surveys to monitor progress and change (every 4-5 years)
MEETING SUSTAINABILITY CRITERIA

Environmentally Sustainable – energy consumption + utilization of scarce resources

Economically Sustainable – Support diverse larger economy and local economy

Socially Sustainable – Inclusive community, accommodating full range of residents
CONCLUSION

• Acknowledge the value of all communities
• Be transparent and accountable to all people
• Allocate resources toward:
  • Adjusted approaches to be equitable
  • Integrating and upgrading
  • Provide feasible housing solutions
• Collaborate to prepare and implement future plans accordingly