**African Urban Transition**

By 2040, 60% of the population will live in urban areas.

- **2015**
  - 315 million
- **2050**
  - Urban population will triple to 1.23 billion
  - Will constitute the largest workforce with 1.1 billion by 2040

**Socio-Economic Stresses**
- Low Productivity Traps
  - 60% of the population live in informal settlements

**Informal Sector**
- 61% of urban employment in Africa
- 93% of new job creation
- 92% of employment for women

**Climate Change and Environment**
- High Risk
  - 20-30% decrease in water availability in vulnerable areas
  - 3 - 4 degrees warming faster than global average
  - 90% of energy use is biomass
Informality

5 million people suffer the cruel fate of evictions annually

Rural to urban

Displacement - Migration

Images via: Reuters, Gety, M. Cardama, Cities Alliance
Local government human resources and capacity gaps

Capacity Gaps
28% of needs are covered

Ghana

Uganda

Distorted Incentives
Undermining good governance

- Average Local Governments
- Local Private Sector
- International NGOs
- Multi-National Corporations

$105,263
$60,000
$9,474
$11,111

Coordinating Director
To finance the basic infrastructure needs of Sub-Saharan African cities until 2050, will require an investment at today’s value of USD 850 Billion or 26 Billion per annum.