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Healthy Cities – Integrated Waste Management

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- **In 2050 more than 66 % of the world's population will live in cities**
- **In India the population of cities will increase by 400 Mio people in 2050**



Cities must become places with high quality of life and sustainable economic development

Cities must develop into „smart cities“

: "A city can be defined as 'smart' when investments in human and social capital and traditional (transport) and modern (ICT) communication infrastructure fuel sustainable economic development and a high quality of life, with a wise management of natural resources, through participatory action and engagement of the citizens"(*)

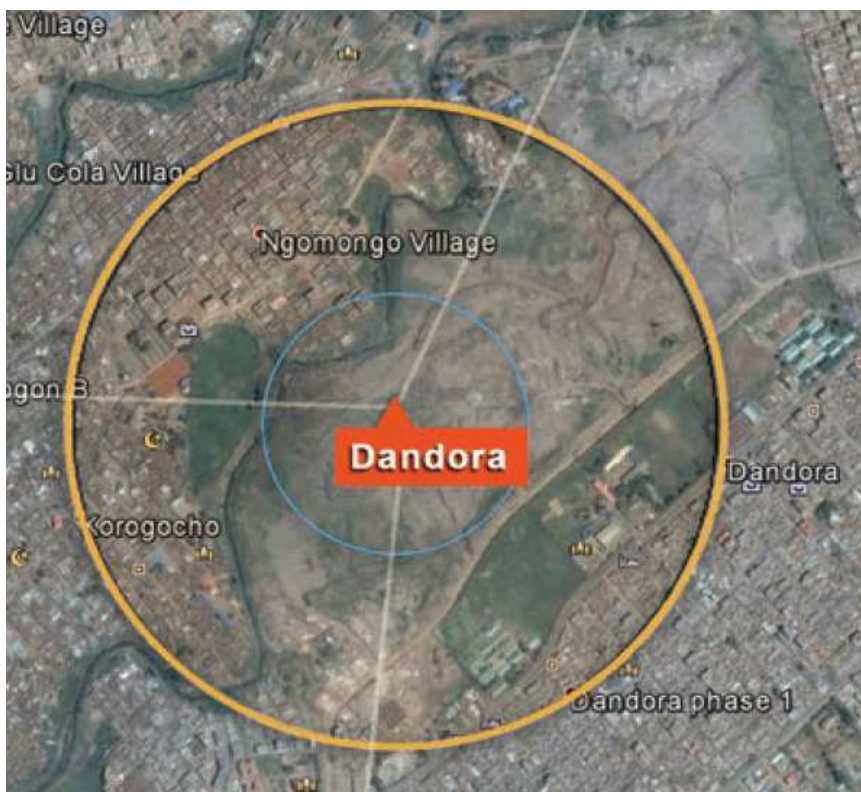


**Integrated sustainable Waste
Management is essential to maintain a
healthy environment and manage
resources efficiently**

(*) Source: Caragliu and Nijkamp 2009, University of Amsterdam



Waste Dump in Urban Area (Dandora, Nairobi)



Waste in place: ca 25 Mio t

Waste added: ca 0,7 Mio t
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Size: ca 53 ha

Distance to nearest
house: 200 m

Population within
10 km 2,4 Mio inh

Content: MSW, haz waste

Ca 3000 people working on landfill for material
recovery (informal sector)

Source: ISWA Waste Atlas 2014

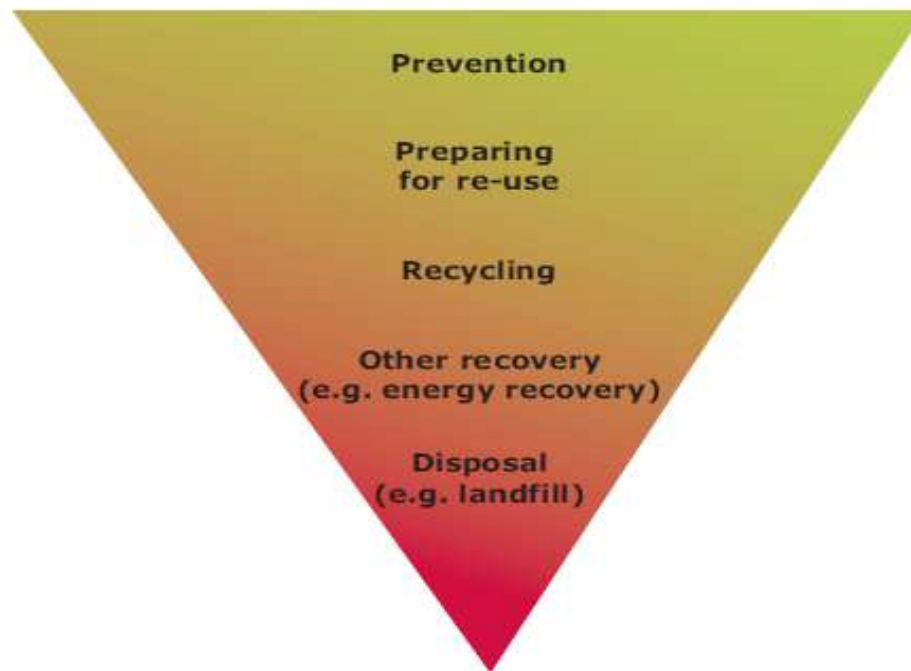


Integrated Waste Management

- Manages all types of waste
- Minimizes impact of waste on the environment
- Maximizes recovery of resources from waste



Integrated Waste Management - the EU waste hierarchy



Source: ETC/SCP.

Source: European Commission (DG ENV) Use Of Economic Instruments And Waste Management Performances 2012



Integrated Waste Management

- Waste reduction

Qualitative Waste reduction

Avoid hazardous substances in the construction process and in the product (eg. Cadmium, mercury, POP etc)

Quantitative Waste reduction

- Clean production
- Ecodesign
- Design for recycling
- (through the EPR =Extended Producer Responsibility concept)
- Cradle to cradle concepts
- Repair and Reuse
- Separate collection and recycling



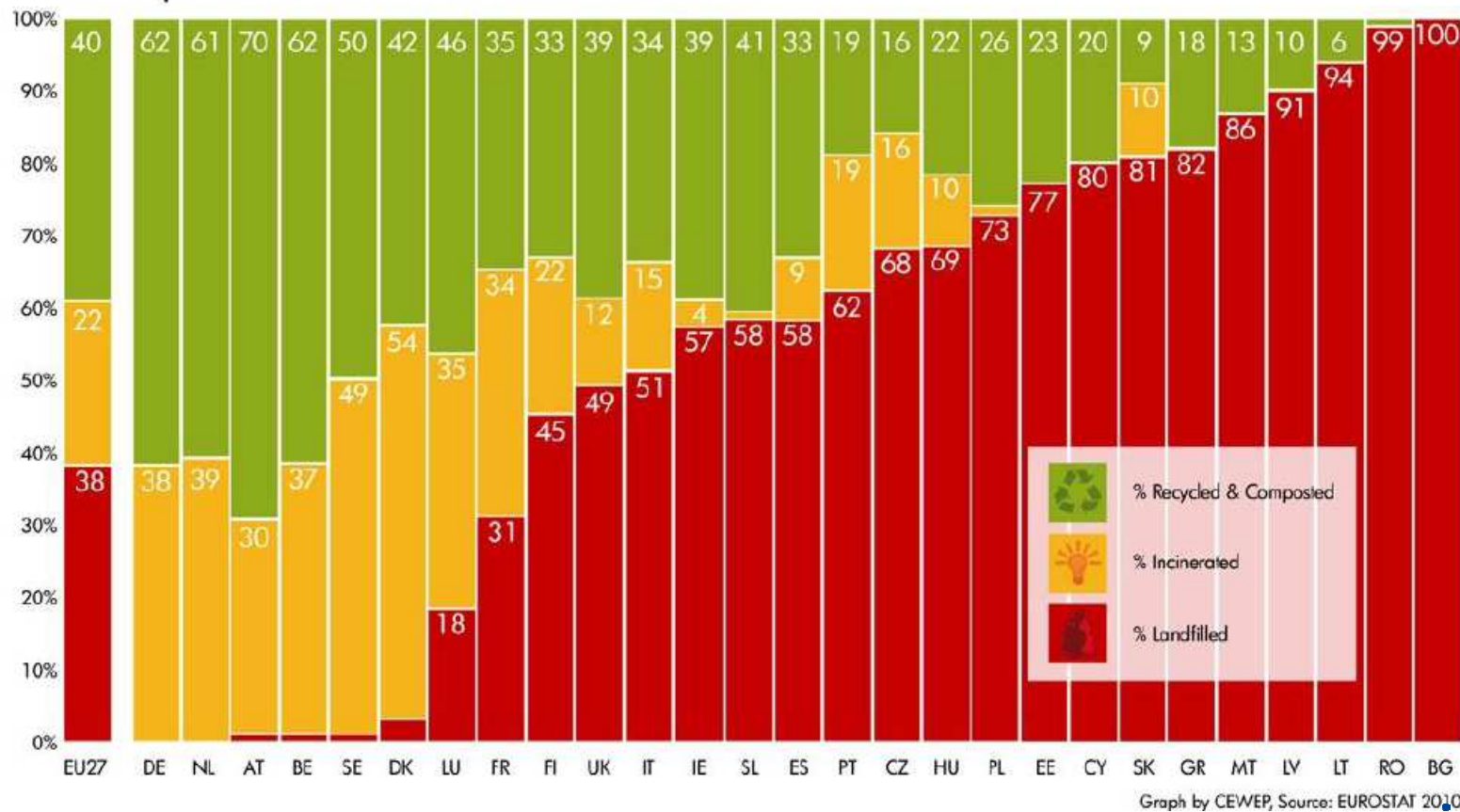
Integrated Waste Management

- Waste treatment

- Biological and Mechanical treatment for composting and recycling
- Biogas production
- Collection at source, Recovery, treatment and recycling of materials (packaging, WEEE, vehicles, lamps, batteries, vehicles etc)
- Waste Derived Fuel (WDF) cement kiln, cellulose/pulp production
- Incineration with maximum energy recovery (district heating, cooling)
- Recovery of materials from incineration slags
- Treatment of hazardous substances (special treatments, underground landfills, high temperature incineration in rotary furnaces etc.)
- etc
- Final disposition in sanitary landfills



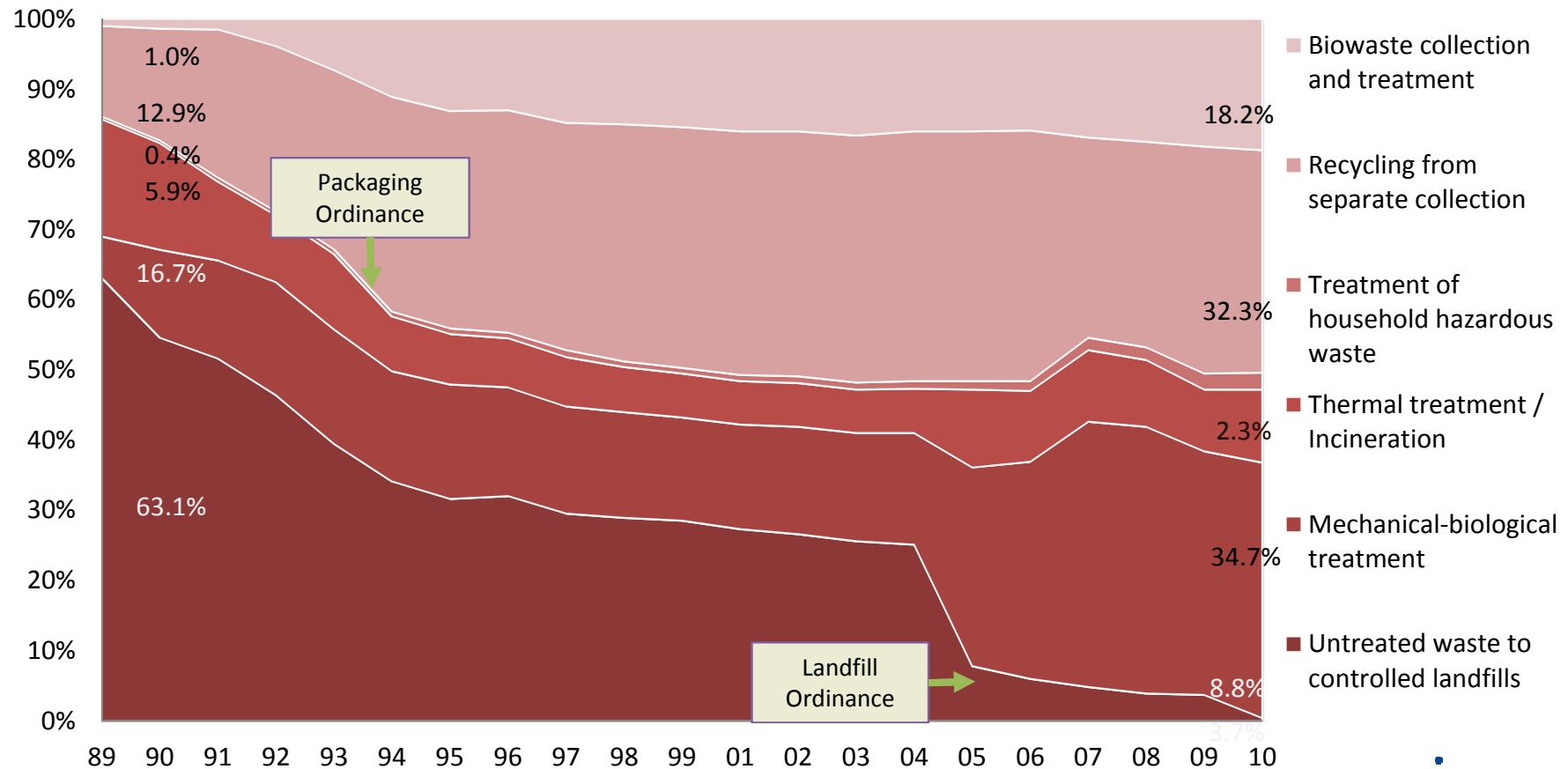
Municipal Waste treatment in the 27 EU member states 2010



Source: CEWER, eurostat



Treatment of MSW in Austria: One Step Ahead



Source: Environment Agency Austria, 2011.



Waste to Energy Cycle



Thermal Treatment of Waste

- Incineration of MSW with energy recovery (district heating/cooling)
- WDF sorting of MSW produces fuel to replace fossile fuels
- Gasification (produces combustible gas, hydrogen, synthetic fuels)
- Thermal depolymerization (produces synthetic crude oil, which can be further refined)
- Pyrolysis (produces combustible tar/biooil and chars)
- Plasma arc gasification or plasma gasification process (PGP) (produces rich_syngas_including hydrogen)



Thermal Treatment of Waste (cont)

Cost efficiency depends on:

- Costs of MSW management
- Cost of deposit in sanitary landfill
- Cost of primary energy, fossil fuels etc



Gate fees for MSW Incinerators in EU ca 60 –
100 €/t



Urban Mining

- Cities are a huge resource of secondary raw materials built into infrastructure, buildings, etc since centuries
- Most have high value, e.g.copper, steel, iron, plastics
- Volume are huge: in Austria alone (8 Mio inhab)
 - 3.800 Mio t materials used in existing buidings in Austria
 - 2 Mio t Copper contained in built-up area
 - 40-80 Mio t Steel etc

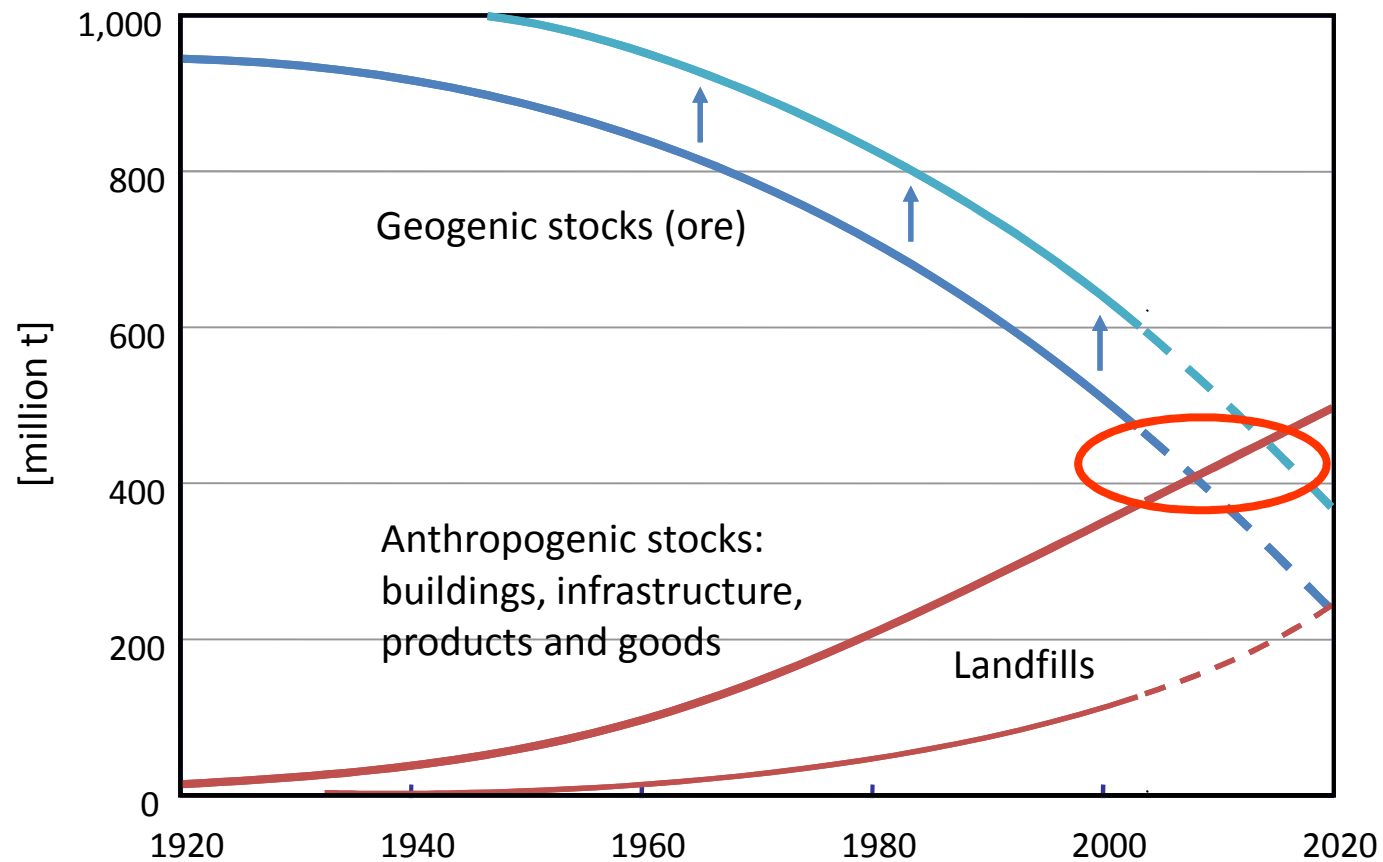


Urban Mining (cont)

- With increasing raw material prices secondary raw material recovered from existing building sites will play a growing role in material sourcing.



Anthropogenic Stocks and Urban Mining: copper



Source: Rechberger, 2004, ARA AG.



Urban Mining (cont)

Research is going on in many countries to estimate the type and volumes of these materials,

The Christian Doppler Institute for Anthropogenic Resources at the Technical University Vienna is developing tools to evaluate those resources regarding quality, quantity and accessibility.

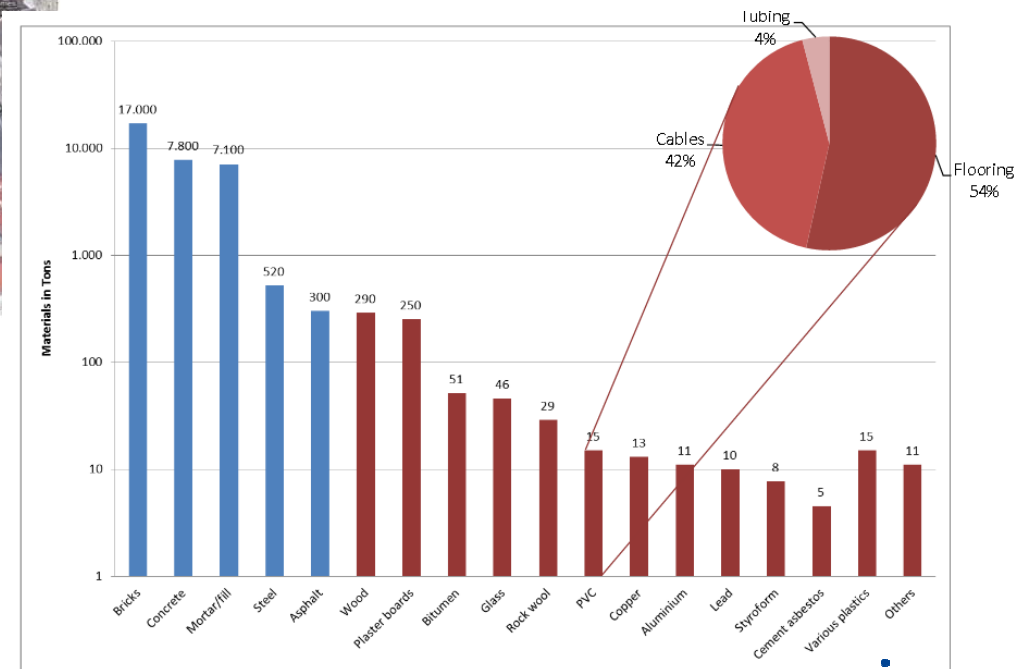


Urban Mining (cont)

Kaiserin Elisabeth Hospital, Vienna



Contained resources per material



Source: F. Kleemann et al, Resource potential of built infrastructure, TU Vienna 2013



Integrated Sustainable Waste Management-

A possible strategic map

- Map all material streams in and out of anthropogenic space
- Reduce waste at source
- Recover and recycle resources in waste including energy at economic optimum
- Minimize impact on the environment
- Move to sanitary landfill



Key to a Healthy, Happy and Smart City

