Inaugural Workshop of the Saudi Future Cities Project

Challenges and Opportunities in Capacity Development of Cities in Saudi Arabia
How to use your Response Cards:

Press the button with the letter that corresponds with your answer.
All answers are *anonymous*

You can click as many times as you want to change your answer, but it is only the *last* answer that will count.
Please leave your clicker on the table after the session is done.
Who is going to win the 2014 FIFA World Cup?

A. Argentina
B. Belgium
C. Germany
D. México
E. England
F. Spain
G. France
H. Ivory Coast
I. Brazil
J. Other
Have you heard about UN-Habitat before this workshop?

A. YES
B. NO

62%
38%
I really liked the presentations about the project this morning because they were informative and useful.

A. FALSE
B. TRUE
I am a staff of the:

A. Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs
B. Municipality
C. Other ministry

23% 74%

A. B. C. 23% 4%
What is your position in your organization?

A. The mayor
B. Head of department
C. Senior Manager
D. Project Manager
E. Professional staff
F. Administrative staff
G. Other
What is your background?

A. Urban Planner
B. Architect
C. Economist
D. Geographer
E. Social Scientist
F. Business & Administration
G. Engineer
H. Public Policy and Government
I. Other

A. 31%
B. 29%
C. 4%
D. 4%
E. 4%
F. 7%
G. 13%
H. 5%
I. 4%
After hearing the introduction about the project, I think that this project will be useful for my city.

A. Yes

B. No

C. Maybe

D. I did not understand what the project is all about.

E. No, there are other priorities for my city
What is the biggest obstacle to implement this project in your city?

A. There is no obstacle for this project.
B. The legal framework of Saudi Arabia
C. Lack of coordination
D. Project is too ambitious
E. Lack of adequate staff in my municipality
F. Lack of motivation of staff to execute the project
What would you like to see improved in the relationship between your city and the Ministry MOMRA?

A. Better communication and technical support
B. More delegation of authority in planning issues.
C. More training provided to my city staff on broad urban management issues.
D. More incentives provided to my city staff to attend training.
E. More delegation of authority on financial issues
F. Something else.
My education and the competences that I have developed are compatible with the function and responsibilities that I have in my city.

A. True.
B. False
In my view, the quality and relevance of the training provided by the training department of the ministry is:

A. Very GOOD.
B. Good
C. Regular
D. Bad
E. Very bad
F. I don’t know.
In my view, the training courses provided by the ministry could be improved by:

A. Consult me about the topic and issues to be trained.
B. Providing better quality courses on different topics
C. Provide better trainers
D. Provide incentives to motivate me to attend the courses.
E. Provide training nearby my city.
F. None of the above
The biggest bottleneck for my city to implement the National Spatial Strategy is:

A. Ministry’s directives are too complicated
B. There is no sufficient staff to implement directives
C. Staff are not trained sufficiently to take the responsibilities
D. There are no obstacles
E. None of the above

A. 21%
B. 38%
C. 31%
D. 0%
E. 10%
My number 1 priority for training in order to improve my skills and knowledge is:

A. New approaches to urban planning
B. Urban approaches to urban design
C. New forms of urban management
D. GIS
E. Urban information system to support decision making and CPI
F. Design and formulation of urban legislation
G. Participatory planning
H. Gender equality and urban management and planning
I. Youth Engagement in city planning and management
J. Housing and Land Policies
My number 2 priority for training in order to improve my skills and knowledge is:

A. New approaches to urban planning
B. Urban approaches to urban design
C. New forms of urban management
D. GIS
E. Urban information system to support decision making and CPI
F. Design and formulation of urban legislation
G. Participatory planning
H. Gender equality and urban management and planning
I. Youth Engagement in city planning and management
J. Housing and Land Policies
My number 3 priority for training in order to improve my skills and knowledge is:

A. New approaches to urban planning
B. Urban approaches to urban design
C. New forms of urban management
D. GIS
E. Urban information system to support decision making and CPI
F. Design and formulation of urban legislation
G. Participatory planning
H. Gender equality and urban management and planning
I. Youth Engagement in city planning and management
J. Housing and Land Policies
My number 1 preference for the type of training is:

A. On-line courses
B. On-the-job training
C. Short and practical workshops
D. Courses inside Saudi Arabia
E. Courses outside Saudi Arabia
F. Master courses
G. City-to-city exchange and collaborative workshops
H. Others
I. None of the above
On a scale of 1-5, how do you judge capacity building as a function of success in managing urbanization and the future of cities?

A. 1 – Very necessary
B. 2
C. 3
D. 4
E. 5 – Not necessary at all

A. 56%
B. 24%
C. 15%
D. 0%
E. 5%