



URBANIZATION, GROWTH AND TRANSFORMATION IN AFRICA



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- ❑ Urbanization and Industrialization in Africa
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Figure 1- Africa: Impressive yet exclusive growth

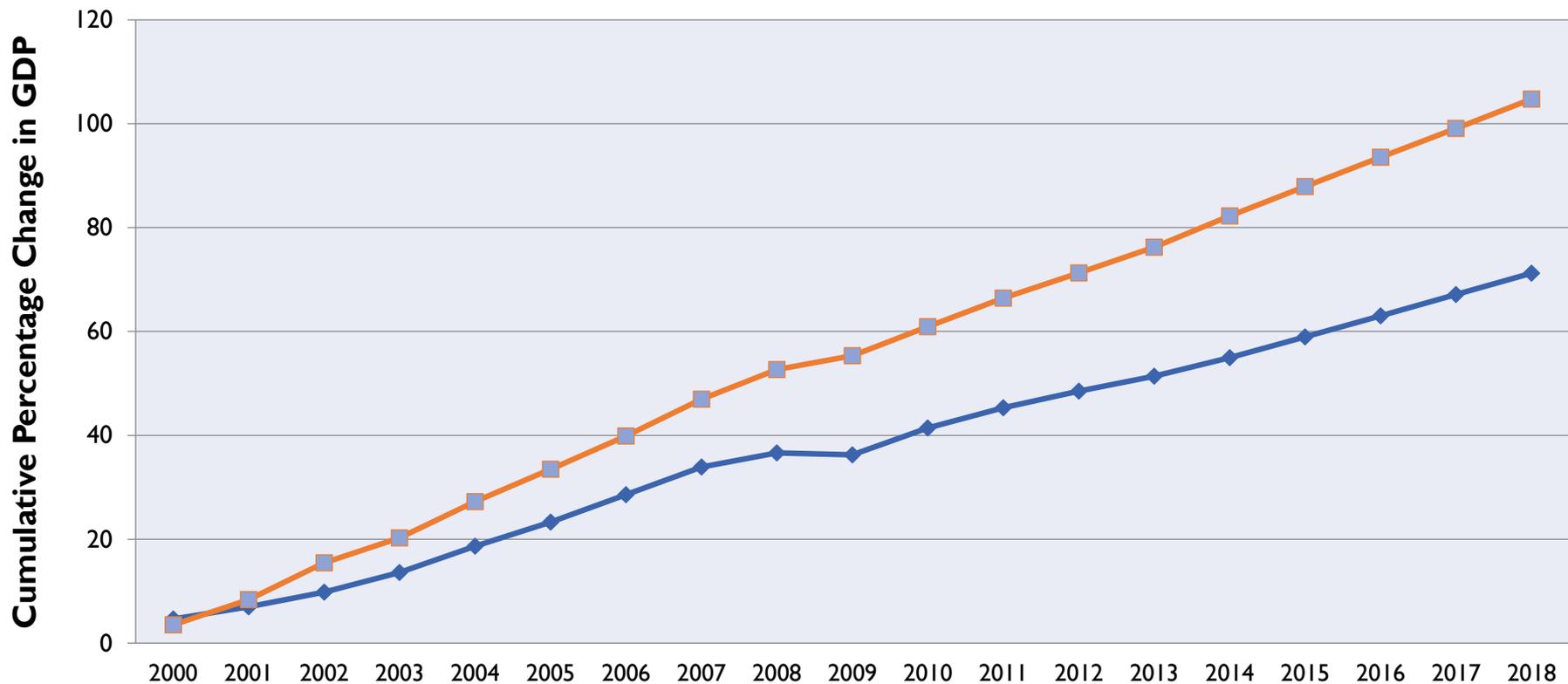
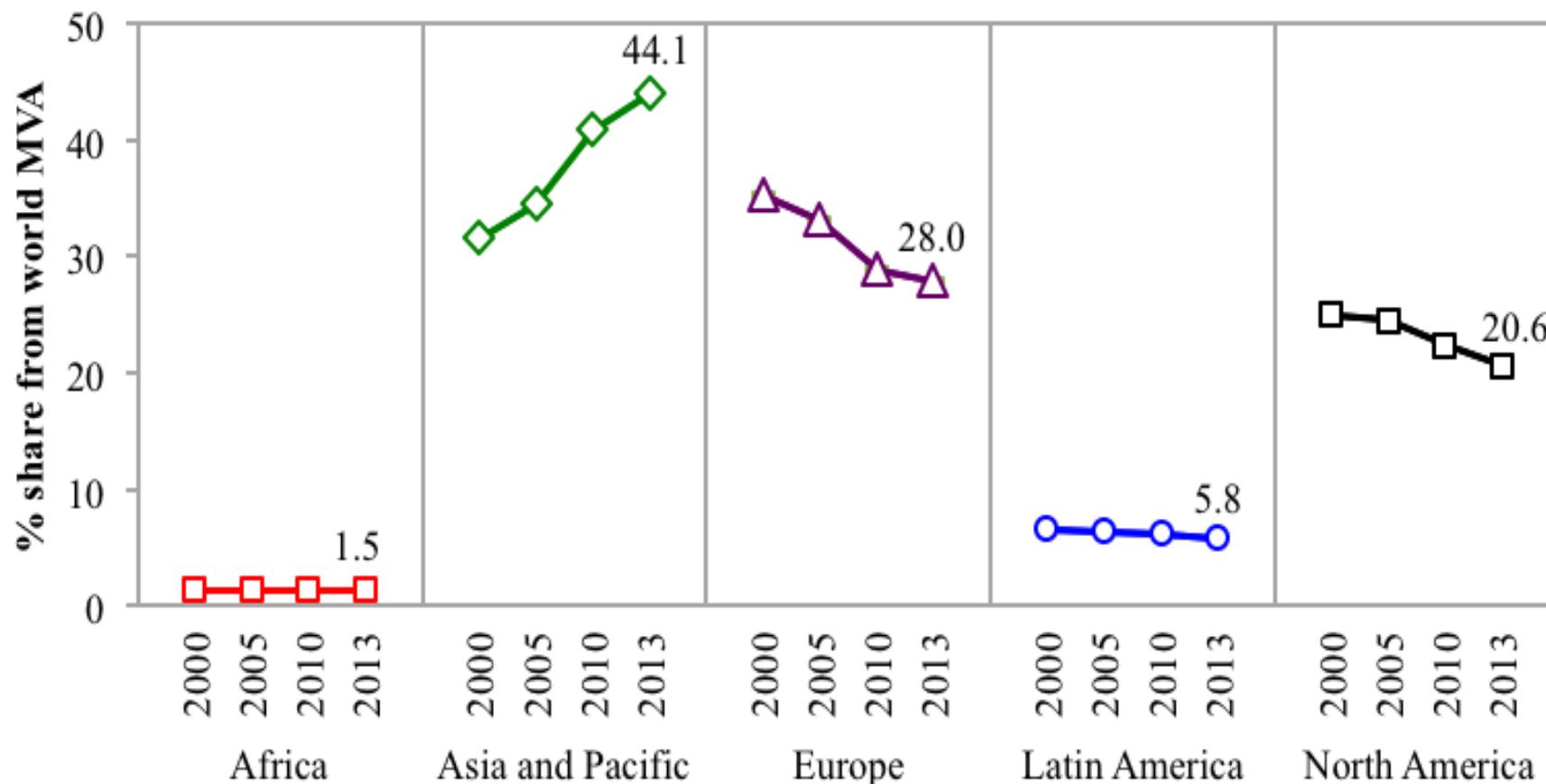


Figure 2- Distribution of world MVA by region, 2000-13



Source of data: ECA analysis based on UNIDO data 2014.



The imperative of structural transformation

Declining share of
agriculture

Rural to urban
migration

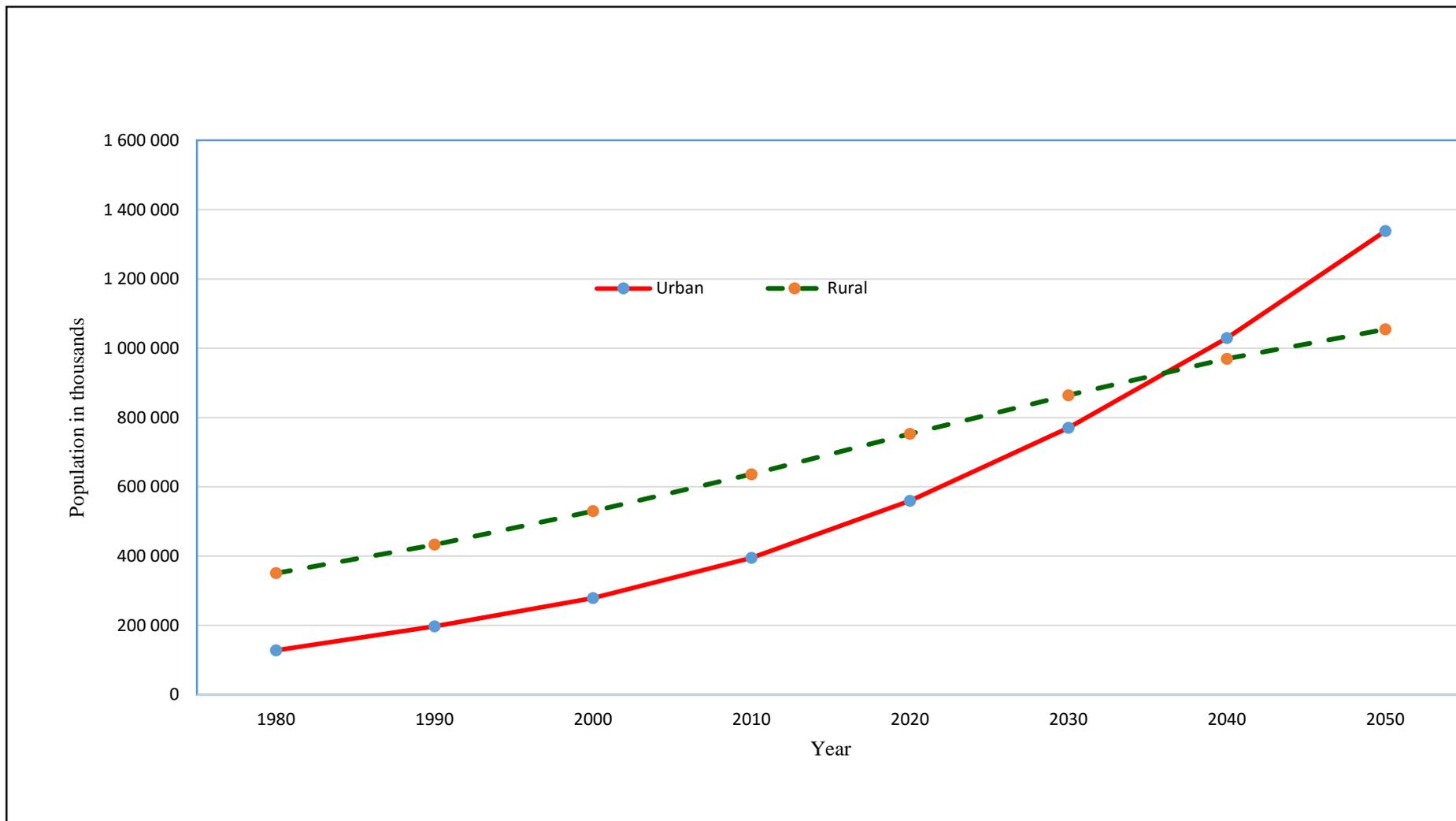
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Modern industrial and
service economy

Low birth and death
rates

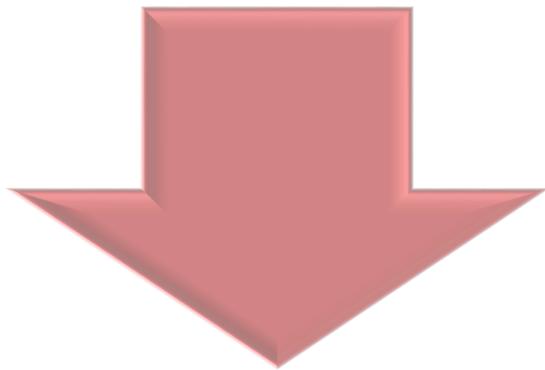


Figure 3- Africa's rapid urban transition





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Urbanization brings
agglomeration economies

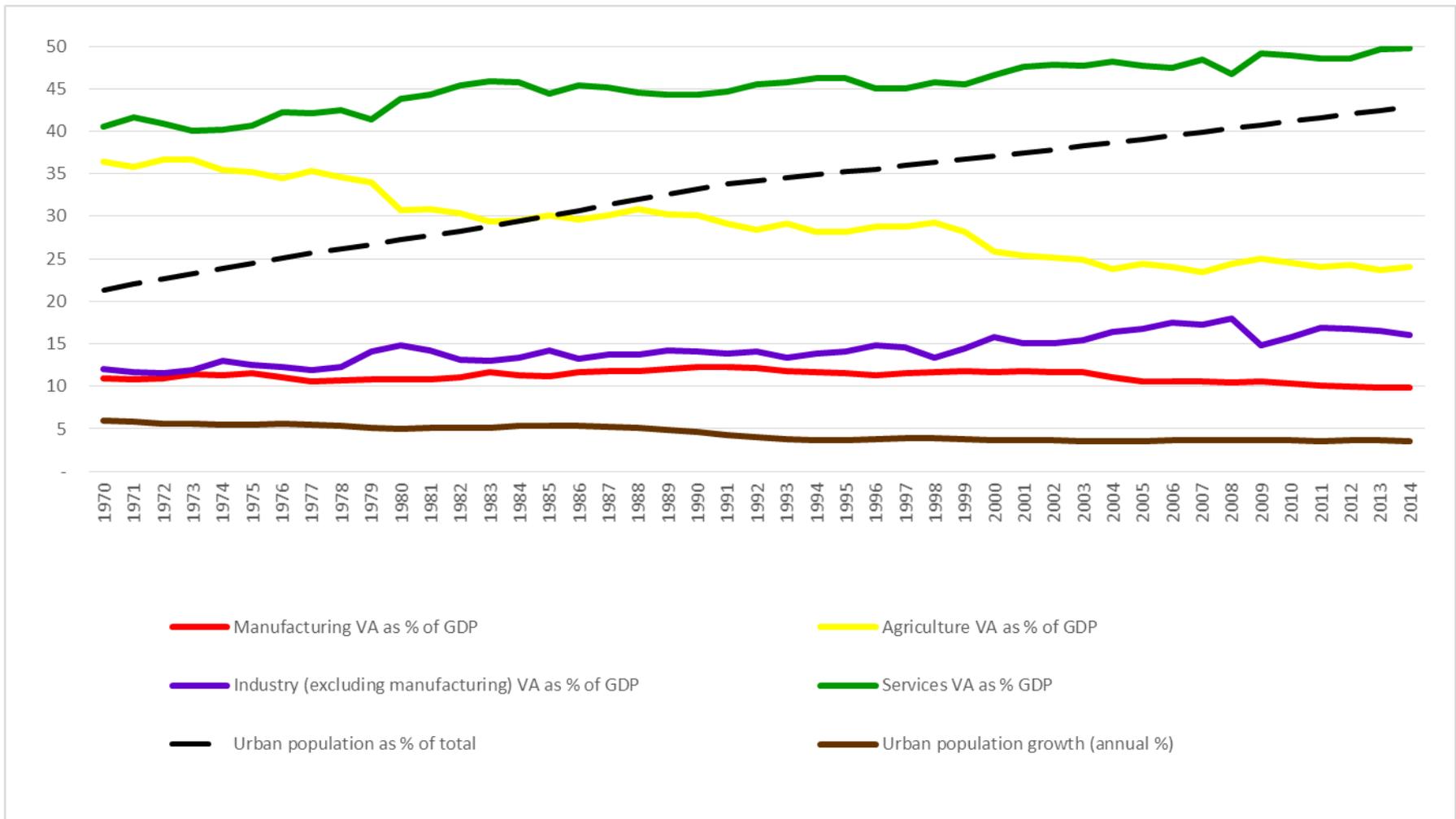


Structural Transformation
needs agglomeration
economies



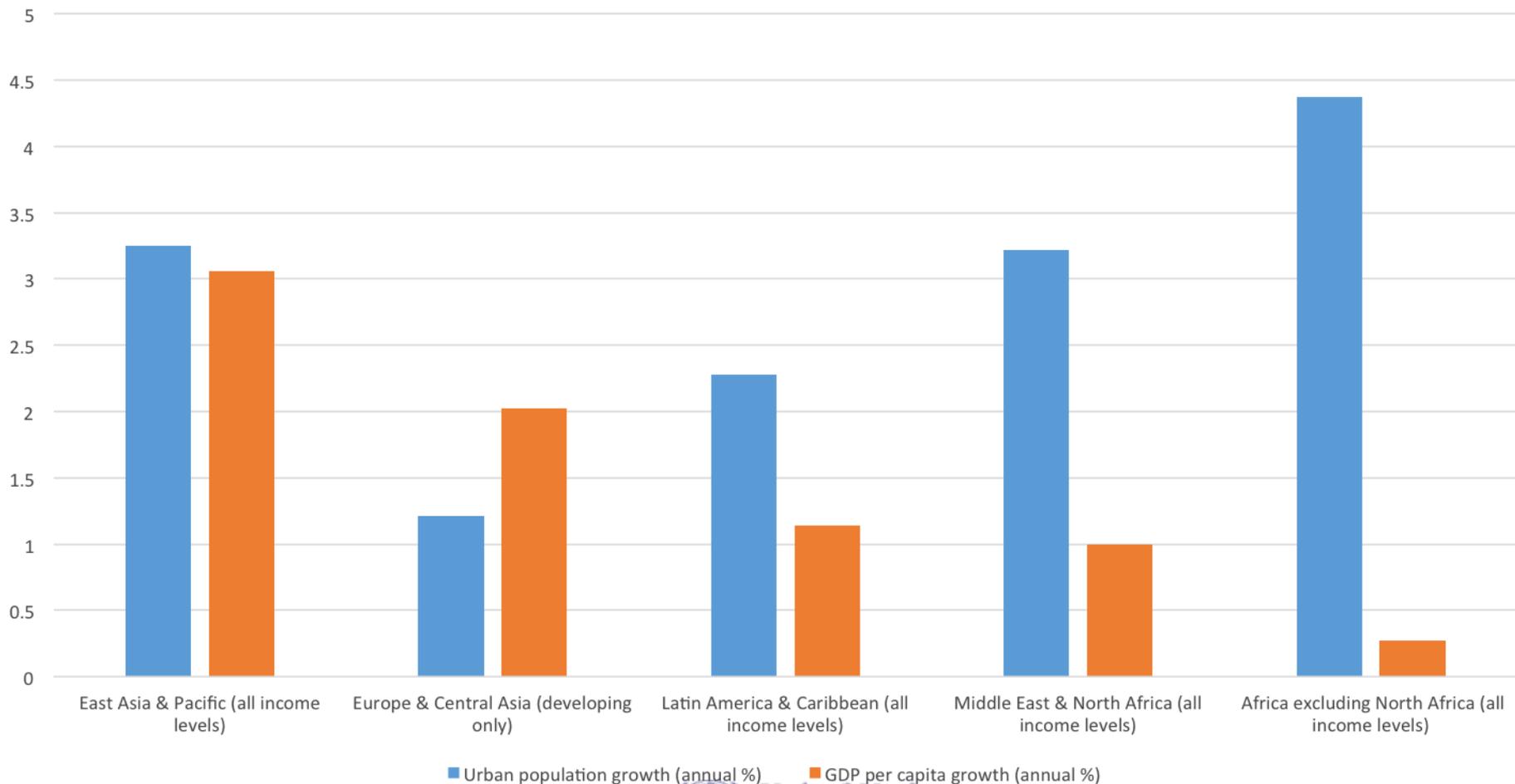
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Figure 4- Value added by sector and urbanization, Africa, 1970-2014



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Figure 5- Urbanization and GDP growth per capita by region, averages 1980-2014





Urbanization & Structural Transformation- **An Asset**

Gauteng,
South Africa

- 40.6% manufacturing outputs
- 30% of South Africa's GDP

Lagos State,
Nigeria

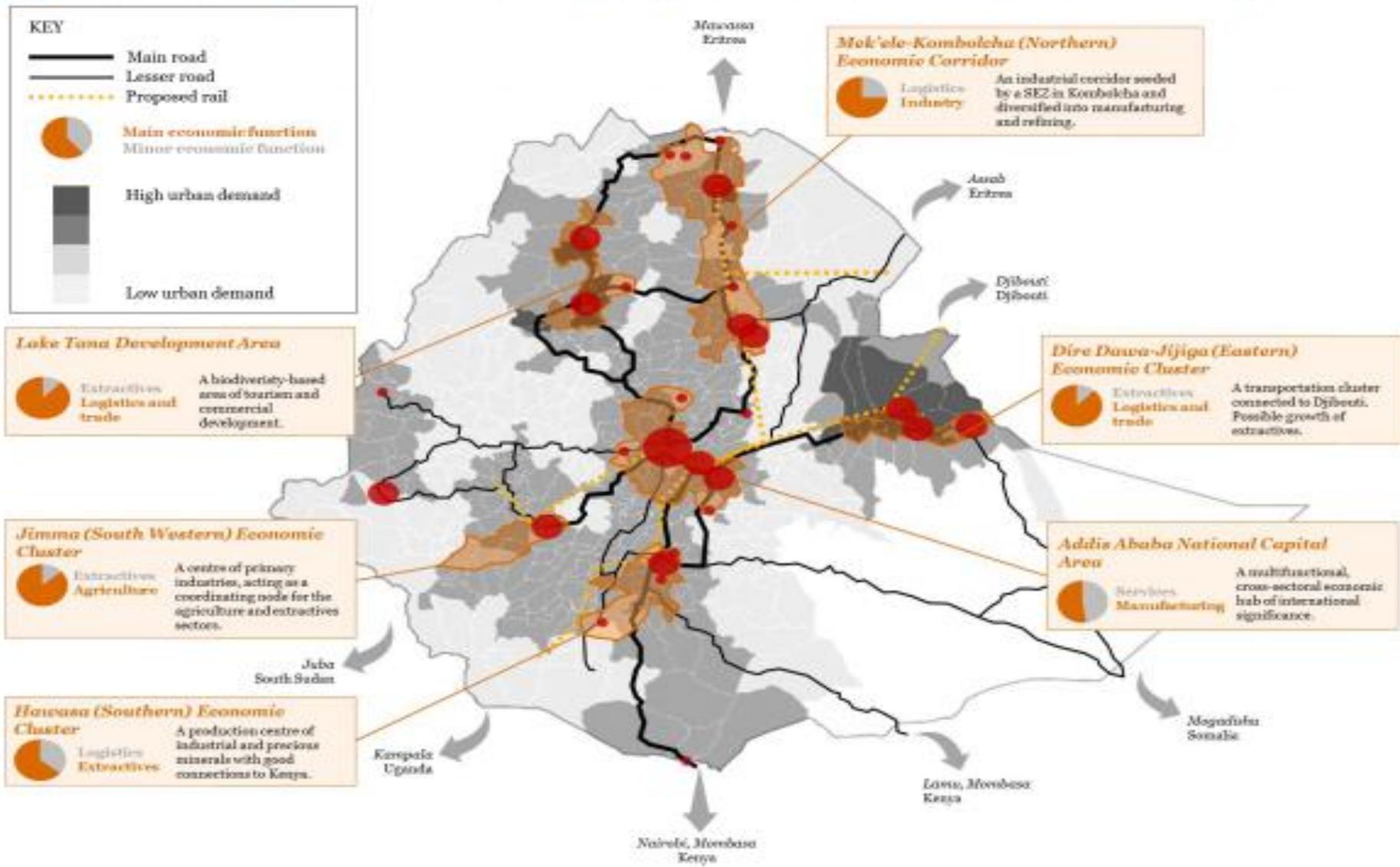
- 62.3% of national non-oil GDP

Nairobi,
Kenya

- 20% of GDP



Figure C: Preferred spatial scenario for catalysing efficient and effective urbanisation in Ethiopia





Urbanization and Structural Transformation: Closing the Policy Gaps

- Advance the strategic role of urbanization and cities in the structural transformation process
- See cities as an asset and grasp the economic implications and potential of rapid urbanization
- View cities as places of investment, innovation, diversification, linked to rural areas and global and regional markets
- Integrate urbanization in national development planning frameworks and establish linkages with sectoral policies



Urbanization and Structural Transformation: Policy Anchors

- ❑ National Development Planning and Urbanization
- ❑ Industrial Policies and Urbanization
- ❑ Urban Policies and Industrialization
- ❑ Regional Integration and Urbanization

