

Inner-city areas

Planned urban areas

Citywide Inclusive Sanitation

A Call to Action

Informal settlements

Peri-urban interface

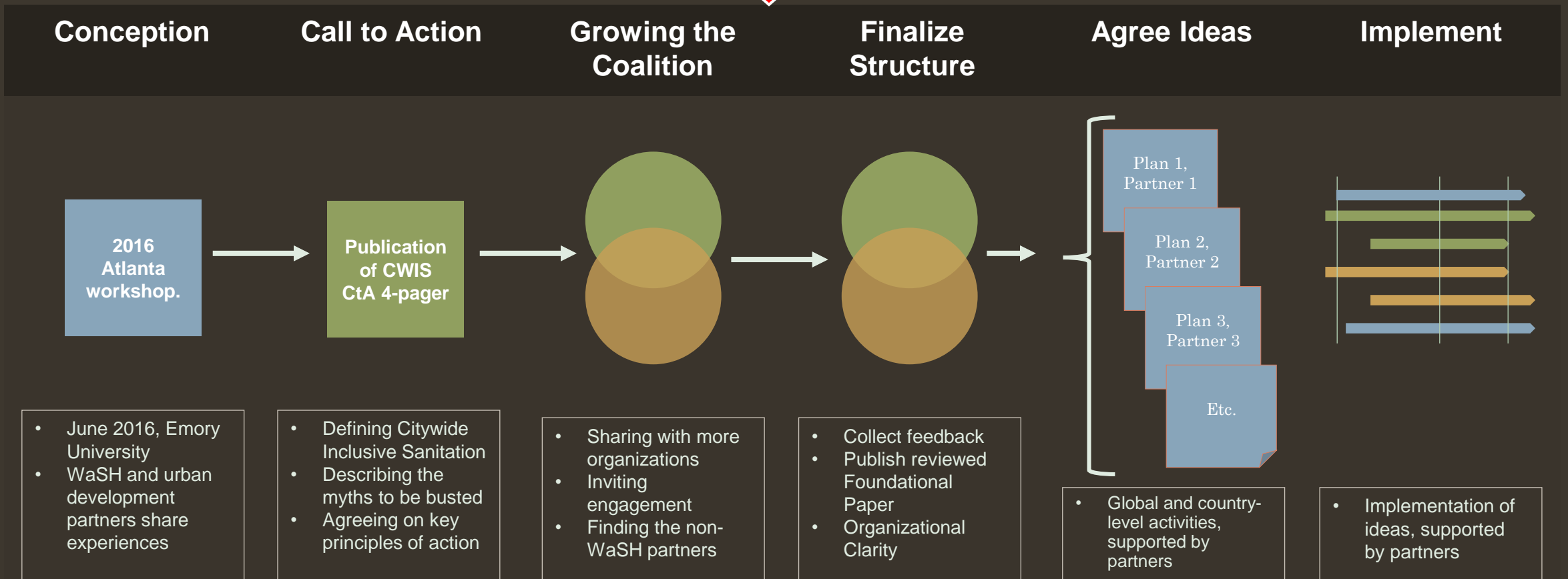


Citywide Inclusive Sanitation: A Global Coalition

- Six global organizations started thinking and talking about inclusive sanitation for cities in 2016:
 - What does ‘inclusive sanitation’ look like?
 - Who should be involved?
 - What do we know and don’t we know?
- The Citywide Inclusive Sanitation (CWIS) Call to Action (CtA) resulted...
 - ...subsequently endorsed/supported by 30+ organizations/individuals

Timeline Overview

The Atlanta workshop results suggested a growing group of stakeholders, gathering momentum over time, building on a consensus around *who* should be involved and *what* the result would be for cities



A Vision for Healthy Cities

- **Our vision is for cities where...**
 - ✓ ...all citizens live productive, healthy, dignified lives in an environment free from fecal contamination
 - ✓ ...human waste is managed to safeguard the urban environment, including water and food supplies

- **A vision which is increasingly under threat as cities struggle to cope with...**
 - ✓ ...limited financial and human resources
 - ✓ ...rapid, unplanned urbanization
 - ✓ ...a changing climate

Removing Roadblocks: addressing myths



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NecZFRcLCuw>

Business As Usual Isn't Working

- We need a shift in mindsets and practices to transform cities into clean, livable and productive places... this will require:
 - Political leadership and accountability...
 - ...engaging all stakeholders, to...
 - ...drive a coherent citywide strategy that delivers sanitation for all as a human right

Engaging All Stakeholders

- ✓ *Urban development professionals* to better coordinate mandates (sanitation, land use planning, housing, drainage, solid waste...)

- ✓ *Sanitation professionals* to
 - ✓ blend both conventional and new solutions in innovative ways
 - ✓ consider both reticulated and onsite approaches
 - ✓ take account of the needs and resources of customers, including the poor
 - ✓ link sanitation solutions *to broader urban development priorities*

But Recognize Complexity

- Driving collaboration among groups of different actors is not trivial
- Each city is organized in its own unique way – there is no ‘one size fits all’
- Political leadership and/or city institutions may be lacking or weak



The CtA calls on all actors to work on the basis of four inter-locking principles...

KEY PRINCIPLE: INCLUSION

Prioritize the human right of all to sanitation

- **Develop inclusive strategies and programs** to reach the most vulnerable, especially women & children
- Focus on **informal settlements** and account for **land tenure** insecurity
- Show political, technical and managerial **leadership**
- Allocate **sufficient funds** for investment and O&M
- **Empower** qualified staff
- Take **calculated risks** to shift the status quo:
start addressing the challenges!



KEY PRINCIPLE: THE WHOLE SERVICE CHAIN

Deliver 'safe management' along whole sanitation service chain



WHOLE SERVICE CHAIN

- **Address complex problems** rather than deliver fixed solutions
- **Allow for a diversity of solutions and approaches**, focusing on outcomes rather than technologies
- **Focus on innovation**, testing and evaluating approaches
- **Facilitate progressive realization**, building on what is already in place – embrace incrementalism
- Recognize the **tradeoffs** that exist along the sanitation service chain

KEY PRINCIPLE: PARTNERSHIPS

Commit to working in partnerships to deliver CWIS

- **Embed sanitation within urban governance**, integrating with other urban services
- Leverage **urban development, health, education, environmental budgets**, as well as savings from improved sanitation
- Establish clear **roles and responsibilities**, with accountability and transparency
- Articulate and **build demand**
- **Engage** with civil society at the **grass roots level**



KEY PRINCIPLE: THRIVING CITIES

Sanitation contributes to a thriving urban economy

- **Integrate sanitation in urban planning & renewal**
- **Clean up city streets:** remove unsightly pollution & bad odors
- **Increase resource recovery and reuse**
- **Reform regulatory policies**
- **Recover water bodies for recreation and for fauna & flora**



Moving the initiative forward:

Recommendations from *Achieving Universal Access to Urban Sanitation Services* Workshop, Emory University, Atlanta, June 2016

- ✓ Connect with other urban services and development initiatives, associations, and coalitions
- ✓ Work with existing WASH fora and partnerships to promote Citywide Inclusive Sanitation
- ✓ Set up a *Global Challenge Fund for CWIS*
- ✓ Develop *Global Support Facility for CWIS* projects with compendium of relevant knowledge products, tools, and resources
- ✓ Create Community of Practice for advocacy and research
- ✓ Develop global initiative for training and capacity building in CWIS design & implementation
- ✓ Initiate global benchmarking on status of CWIS using meaningful indicators

What Next? ...priority actions

Coalition Structure	Foundational Paper	Use of Tools
Working group proposes how the Coalition is organized & administered – including outreach, broadening participation, contact point/s, communication, activity planning, etc.	Provide input & feedback on peer-reviewed white paper setting out CWIS priorities through 2030; white paper to contribute to stakeholder agendas in SDG period	Build on existing work to understand & respond to need for tools; share solutions & best practices around dissemination, user training & feedback, case development.
Feb 1 2018: Options proposed Jun 1 2018: Decision made	June 2018: Paper published	WWW 2018: Review of progress against tool agendas

...and other actions...?

Getting/Staying Engaged

- **Contribute to ongoing activities within the specified time frames**
- **Propose additional actions that could be taken on by the CWIS Coalition**
 - 'Crowding in' CWIS in specific cities
 - Knowledge exchanges
- **Commit to specific actions that support or promote CWIS as organization or individual**
- Email: citywideinclusivesanitation@gmail.com

CWIS at SIWI WWW 2017

- **Monday August 28th, 16:00-17:30, room NL 255**

Operationalizing Citywide Inclusive Sanitation: right tools? right use?

- **August 29th, 09:00-10:30, room NL 253**

Call to Action: Radically Shifting Mindsets for Citywide Inclusive Sanitation

