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The case of the IMV: a « learning institute »? (Urban Development Institute of Antananarivo)

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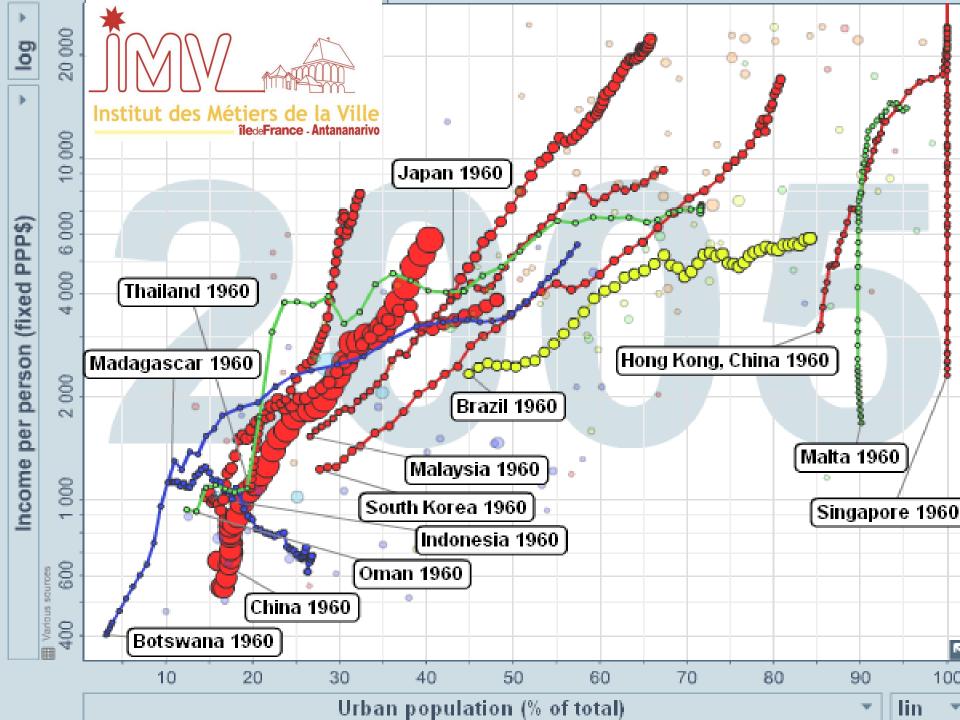


The case of the IMV

 Three words on the context of capacity building on urban development in Madagascar

The IMV Concept

A « learning institution » ?





The IMV Concept

- Result of a strong and lasting decentralised cooperation (Ile-de-France Region, 12 millions inhabitants – Urban Municipality of Antananarivo, 2 millions inhabitants) that went through different phases since 1989, leading to the creation of the IMV in 2008
- 3 IMVs in the world: HANOI (Vietnam) since 2003; ANTANANARIVO (Madagascar) since 2008; BEYROUTH (Lebanon): tbc
- IMV = training and technical assistance center for the municipality; it also supervises the cooperation programs and advises the mayor
- Legaly: a department of the municipality (but with a separate budget)



The IMV Concept

- Budget: \$ 1.5 million / year. \$ 1.2 million / year on programs \$ 0.3 million/year on training and technical assistance Core funding RIF = 80% Municipality = 10% French Ministry of Foreign Affairs: 10%
- Staff: 15 full time (including 10 specialists)+ local and international consultants
- Partners: METROPOLIS, FMDV, 10 others RIF decentralised cooperation (ex : south-south coop. with Hanoi)
- Programs and training sessions: where there is added value of this particular decentralised cooperation:



The IMV Concept

Our 7 core themes:

- Urban Mobility
- Strategic Urban Planning
- Urban Agriculture
- Urban Cultural Heritage
- Sustainable Urban Tourism
- Local finance
- Urban governance (new)



« learning institution »?

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 All training is tied to action / cooperation program (activity based learning)

- IMV Staff also half-time technical advisers IN the municipality (Department of transport, Department of Environnement, Department of Planning, Fiscal Department)
- Peer based and informal learning is probably most of our activity
- Quite often we gather most of the actors for each topic and organize the debate rather than train (ex: urban transport, urban agriculture, cultural heritage...)
- Use of international expertise and training, in relation with the cooperation programs
- Continuous adaptation and lasting processes (at least 5 years / topic)



« learning institution »?

The main challenges:

- staffing
- coordination with the departments of the municipality (3,000 staff)
- Real appropriation by the municipality
- Political changes
- Answering to an enormous demand

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