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Toward Integrated Planning: Recent Institutional Reforms in Spatial Planning of Vietnam

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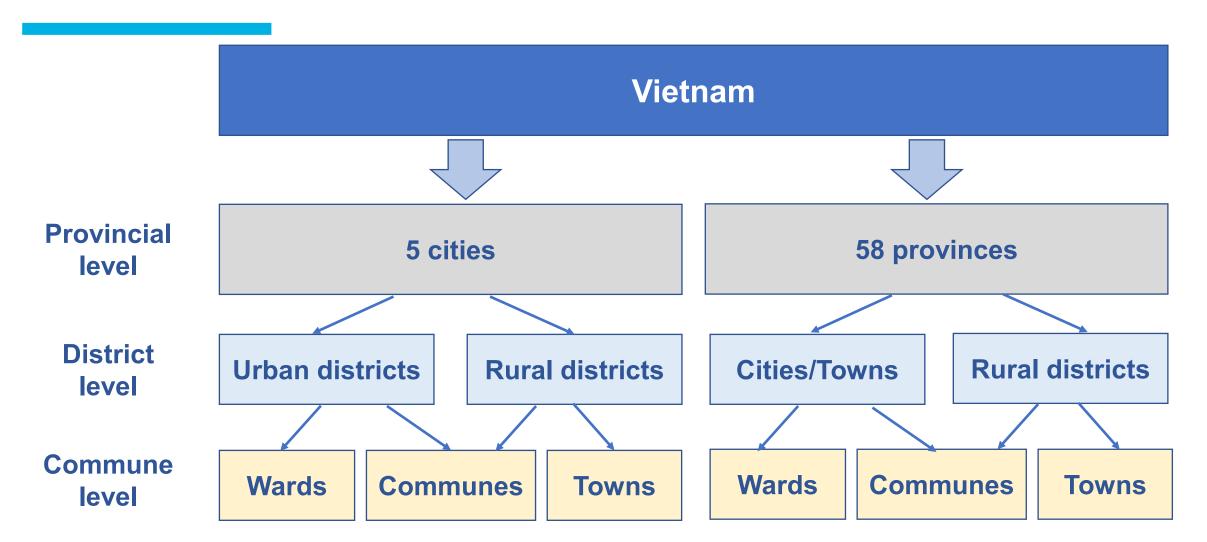
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Administrative system in Vietnam

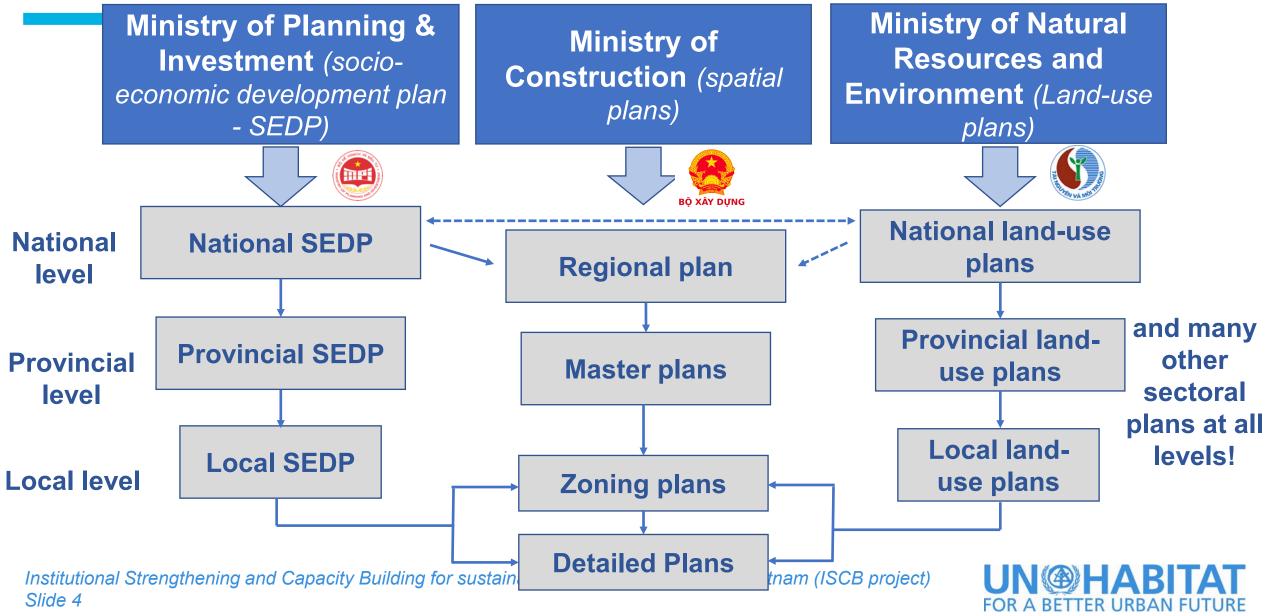


Note: there is no regional level within the administrative system

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Former spatial planning system (before 2019): lack of integration



Case study: Ho Chi Minh City

Approved by Central Government:

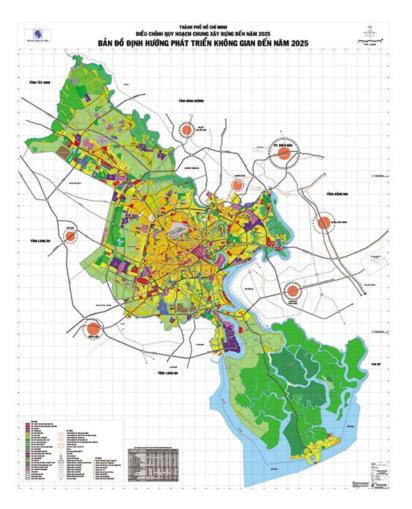
- Socio-economic Development Plan DPI
- Land Use Plan DONRE
- Construction (Spatial) Master Plan DPA
- Transport Master Plan DOT

Approved by Local Government of HCMC:

- Housing Development Program/ Plan DOC
- Urban Development Program DOC
- Urban Breakthrough Programs Relevant Departments
- Climate Change Action Plan DONRE
- Smart City Strategy DIC
- Sectoral Development Programs/ Plans Sectoral Departments

Many plans, but lack of integration!

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Planning Law issued in 2017

- Planning Law: Law No. 21/2017/QH14, effective since Jan 2019
- Ministry in charge: MPI (Ministry of Planning and Investment)
- Main purposes:



- To establish a new system of national plans, regional plans, provincial plans and urban and rural plans, and to sets down a number of planning principles.
- To abolish specific (sectoral) plans for industries and products
- To ensure consistency in the legal system governing planning
- To lay a legal foundation for unified direction and management of planning
- To change/transform the planning methodology, following an integrated and multi-sectoral approach, addressing cross-sectoral, interregional and interprovincial issues
- Particularly, Planning Law will be applied to all municipalities at provincial level. However, due to "urban" status, for central cities like Ho Chi Minh City and Hanoi, Urban Planning Law 2009 will still be applied
 - Two "identical" master plan will be prepared for central cities!



Existing spatial planning system



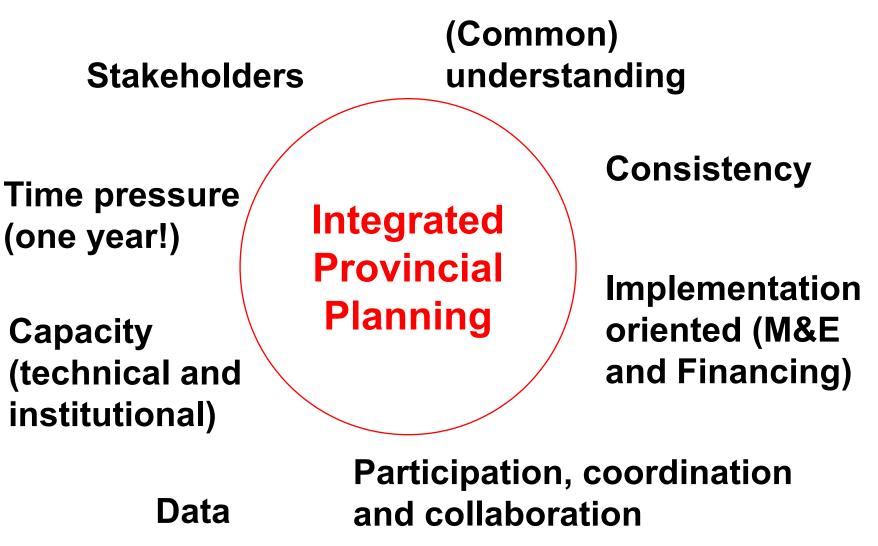
Provincial plans: technical challenges

 63 cities and provinces at (almost) the same period

 Coordinated by provincial DPI (with crucial participation from DOC and DONRE in particular)

 All-in-one (!) plan at provincial level

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UN-Habitat support: ISCB project

- UN-Habitat supported MPI and Vietnamese agencies during the preparation and drafting period of Planning Law (2014-2017)
- ISCB project Institutional Strengthening and Capacity Building for sustainable urban development in Vietnam – funded by SECO, implemented by UN-Habitat
- On-going support for the implementation of Planning Law
 - Preparation of *Planning Handbook and Planning Data Guideline*
 - Training for technical staff of 10 provinces regarding Provincial Integrated Planning
 - Organization of *Policy Dialogues* regarding critical topics of the Planning Law
 - Support for the *Plan Review* of 07 selected province



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ISCB project activities









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What's next for Spatial Planning in Vietnam?



- UN-Habitat/ ISCB team will be continously support Vietnamese government in SP-related tasks
 - Capacity building
 - Planning M&E
 - Technical Assistance regarding Urban Law drafting
 - Pilot (innovative) projects in selected secondary cities

Integrated Plans

to make Vietnamese municipalities

more resilient

more livable

more sustainable

and inclusive!

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