

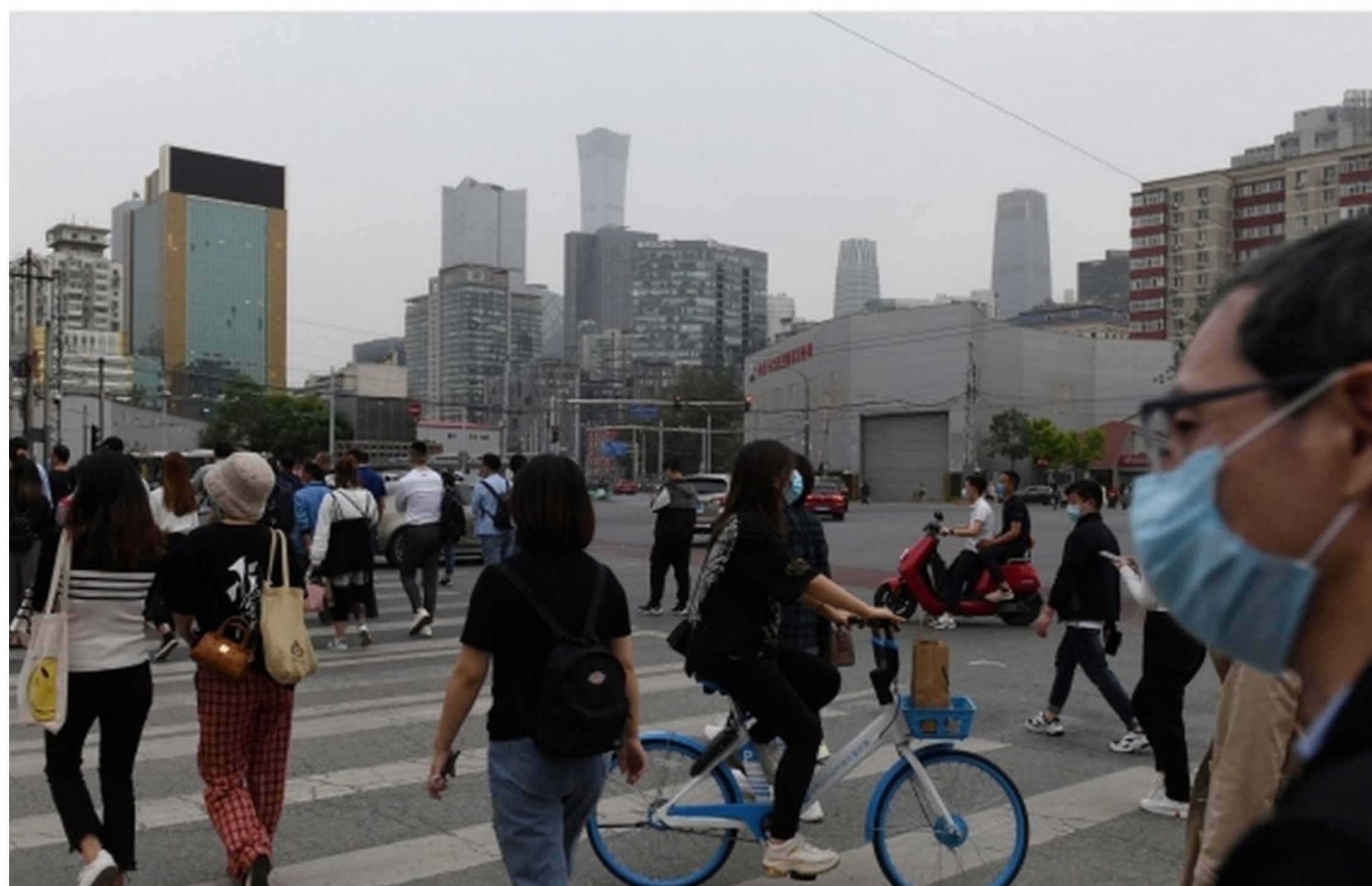
# **Walkability as a critical component of community resilience during and post the COVID pandemic:**

## **Lessons from Africa and around the world**

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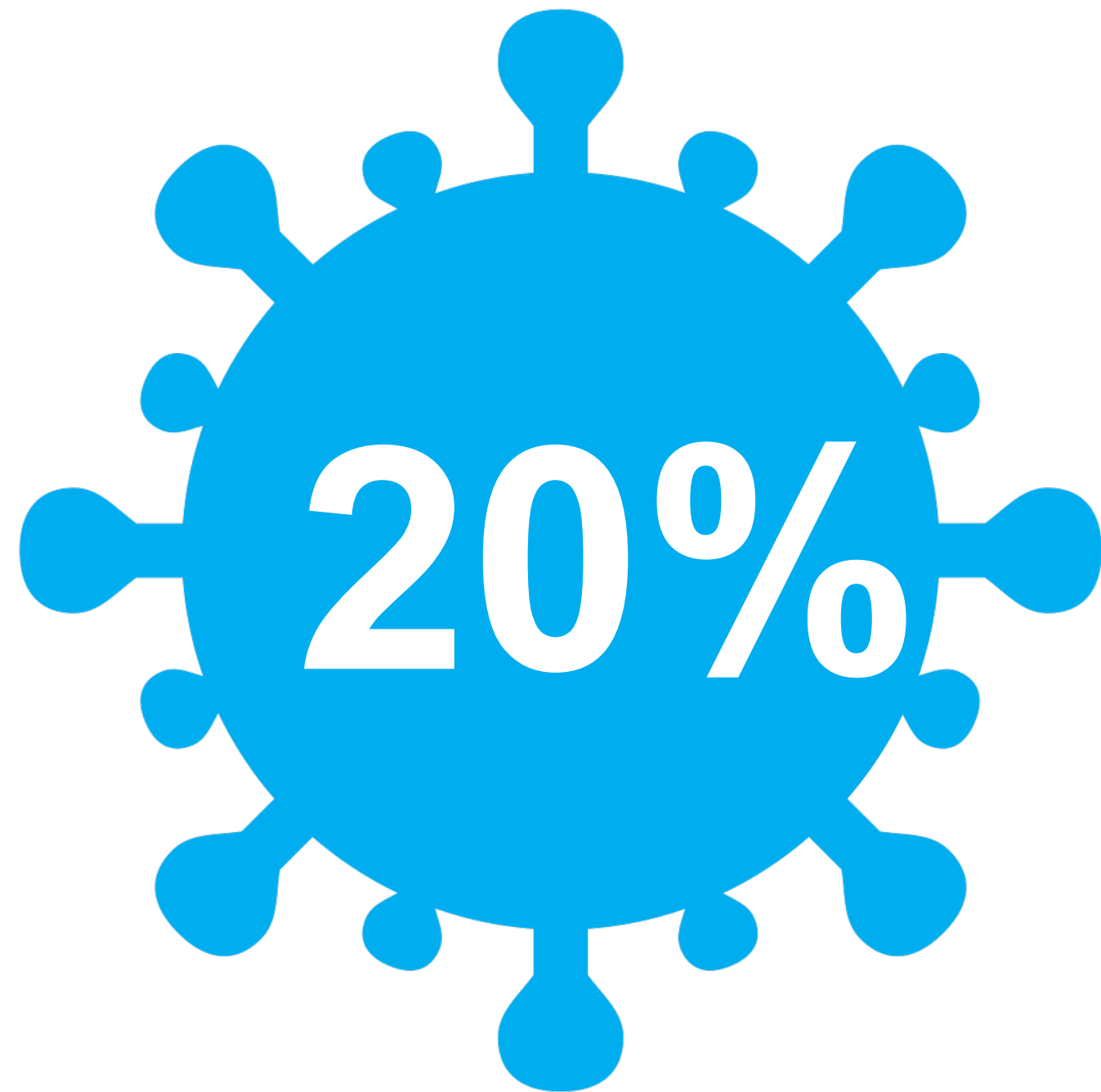
*Qu. Will the increase in demand for safe walking, cycling and access to public transport change the perception of value for these modes in policy and decision making; instigate new sustainable transport policies; and accelerate the delivery of more supportive infrastructure in the region?*



- 170 responses
- Mostly national (54.7%) and city level (42.5%) participants
- Good spread from different sectors; most were from National Government (30.8%), International NGO (22.4%) and Local NGO (15%)
- Most work in Transport (48.4%)
- Mainly from East Africa (60.5%), but also North Africa (5%), Central Africa (2%), West Africa (24.9%), Southern Africa (6%)



**Respondents reported  
any actions to make  
walking or cycling  
safer during COVID-19.**



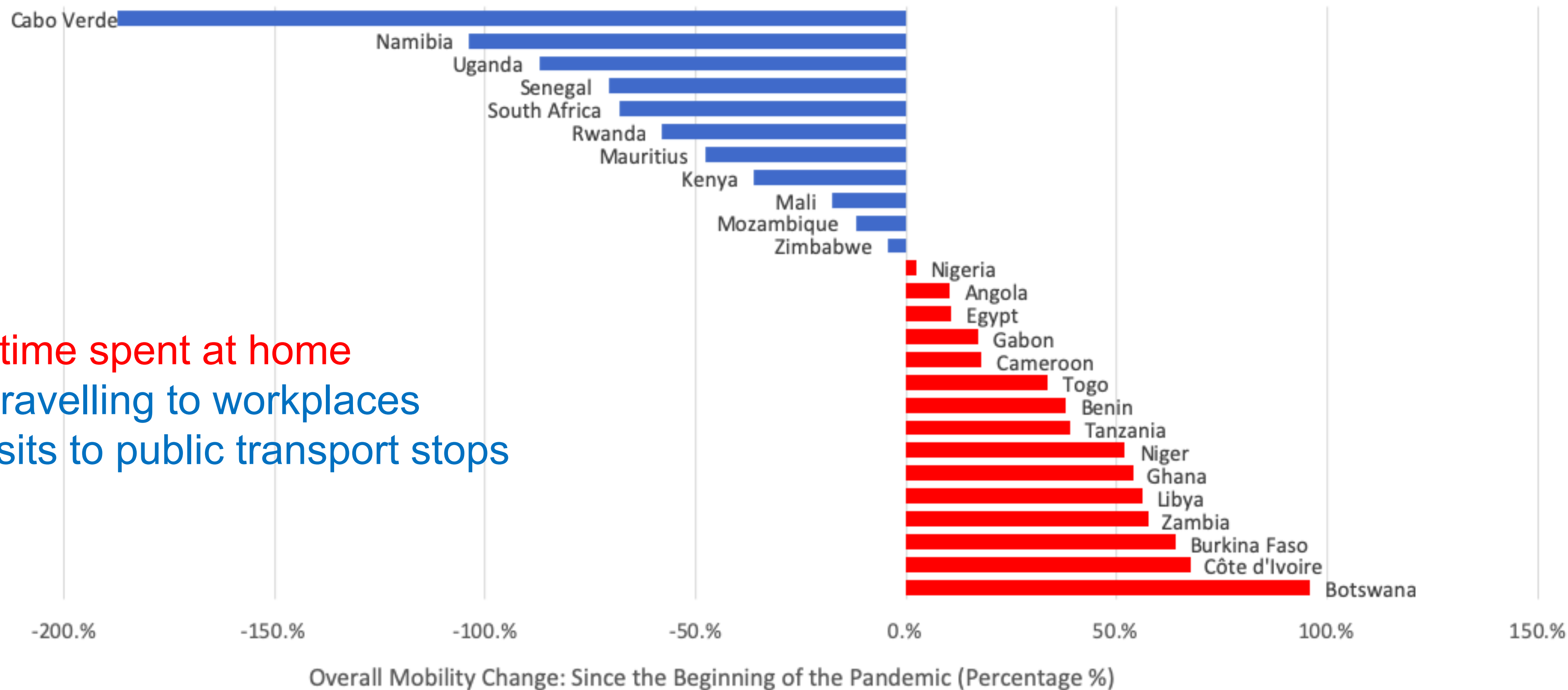
**Modal share for  
walking in most  
African  
countries**

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# Change in Mobility Overall during COVID-19

Bar Graph to Show the Overall Mobility Change during COVID-19 in African Countries



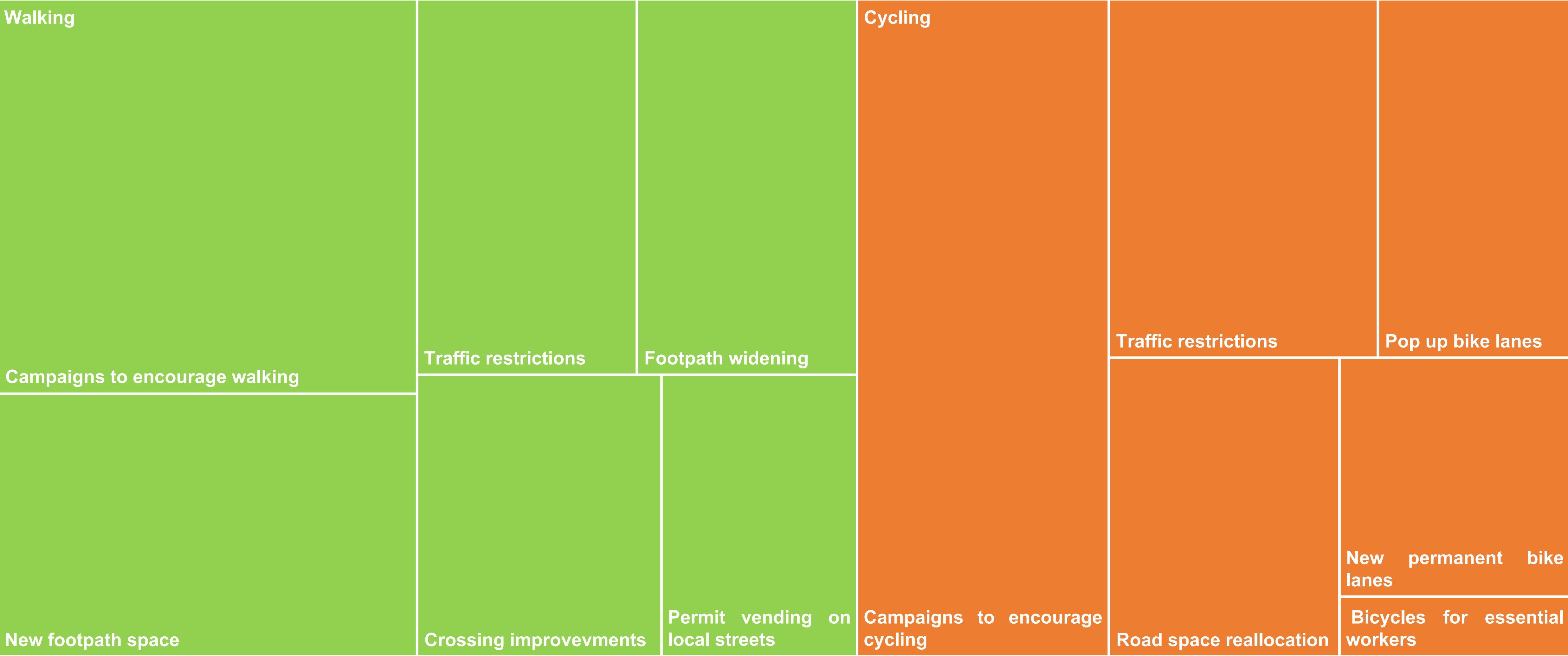
- +7.5% time spent at home
- 23% travelling to workplaces
- 7% visits to public transport stops





# Walking and cycling COVID-19 responses in Africa

■ Walking ■ Cycling



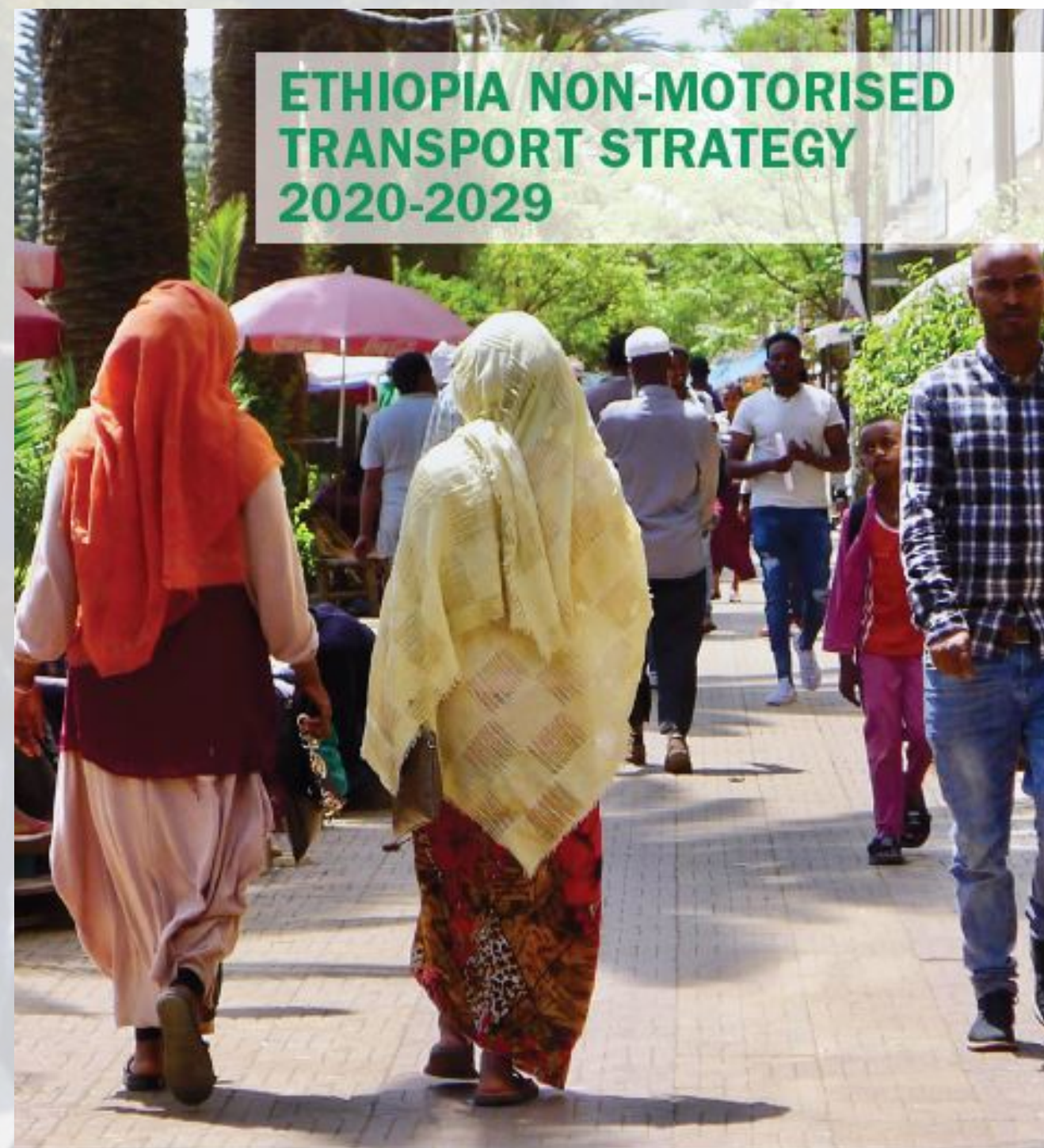




# Accelerated Implementation

Nairobi Metropolitan Services commenced its work by improving the walking and cycling infrastructure within the CBD. They aim to extend this to adjacent neighbourhoods in line with the 2015 Nairobi NMT Policy.





## ETHIOPIA NON-MOTORISED TRANSPORT STRATEGY 2020-2029



# Ethiopia NMT Strategy

**The Ministry of Transport has been supportive of Walking and Cycling Initiatives.**

**In June, Amid the Pandemic, the national NMT strategy was launched.**

Photograph: World Resources Institute





**Confirmed that they were  
willing to do more to  
support the needs of  
walkers and cyclists in the  
future.**



PEOPLE NEED TO ACCESS LOCAL STREETS FOR SHOPPING AND EXERCISE





## Milan: Design



## Paint



## Enjoy!





# NATIONS AND CITIES ARE INVESTING IN WALKABILITY



**90% of trips in Hong Kong are made on foot and with public transport. A Strategic Plan to make it the most walkable city in the world will be launched later this year.**



**The Government of Ireland is allocating 20% of the transport budget to active travel (€1m a day for encouraging walking). Dublin is planning a 100% increase in walking.**



**New Walking Plan for the City and a national walking strategy aiming to scale Rotterdam's ambitious walking plan to enable everyone to be walk more.**





# Thank you!

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