## Ankara Cycle Strategy Framework and Masterplan

Integrating cycling at urban level

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# Future Cities Programme Introduction



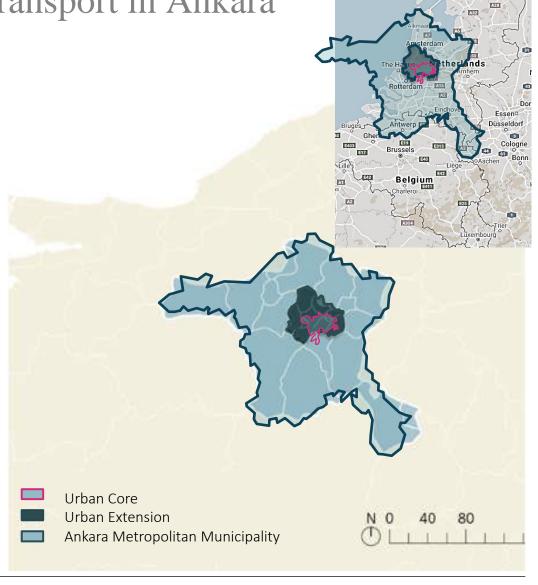
Future Cities Programme

Integration of Non-Motorized Multimodal Transport in Ankara

End User Ankara Metropolitan Municipality

Focus Area Urban Core

**Project Planning** Summer 2019 – Summer 2021





### Ankara is a growing city

#### Rapidly growing city

In 2020, 5.5 million inhabitants.

Projected to be 10 million inhabitants by 2030's

#### Large Area

Urban Core ~700 km<sup>2</sup>

AMM total area ~25 000 km<sup>2</sup>

#### **Urban Sprawl in the past 70 years**

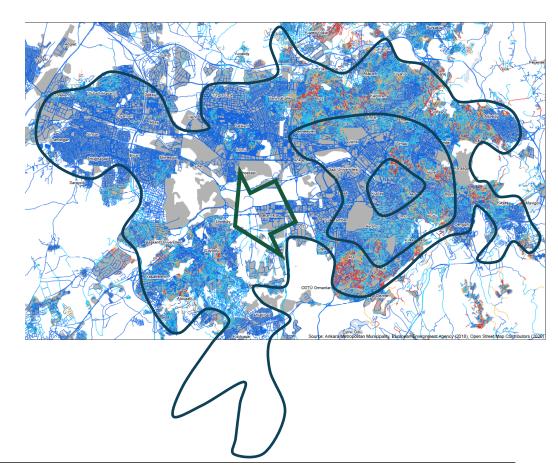
Mainly towards the west

#### Varying topography

Old core of the city is hilly while the west is flat

#### **Diverse neighbourhoods**

From informal settlements to upper-middle income areas





### Ankara is a car-dependent city

#### Car ownership is steadily growing

Currently 262 cars per 1,000 inhabitants (Turkish average 151)

40% increase since 2010

#### Rise in private car usage for commuting

20% increase in the past 20 years

#### **Congested road network**

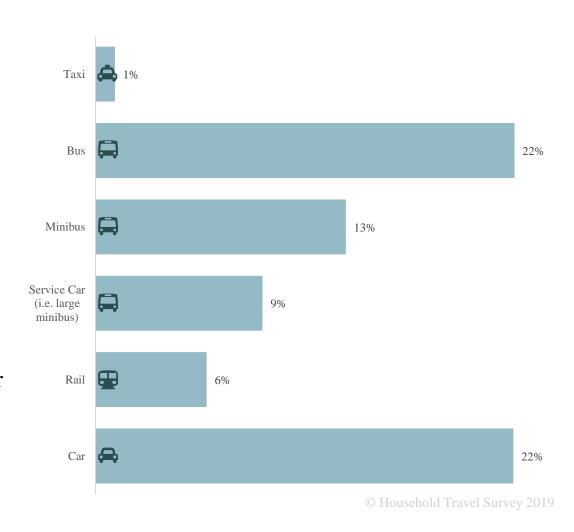
High usage of cars AND road-based public transport

#### **Public Transport trips are relatively short**

Average trip length is 10 km and 66% of travelers ride further than 12 km

#### **Public Transport travel times are long**

Average daily travel time is 71 minutes 72% travelling more than 120 minutes







### Constraints for the creation of a cycling culture

#### Long distances between work and residential zones

Beyond reasonable cycling distance

#### Inequality in the relation between terrain and income

Flat areas attract higher-income population and hilly areas comprise mostly low-income groups

#### Unregulated on-street parking and poor street maintenance

Unfavourable conditions for cycling

#### Weather extremes

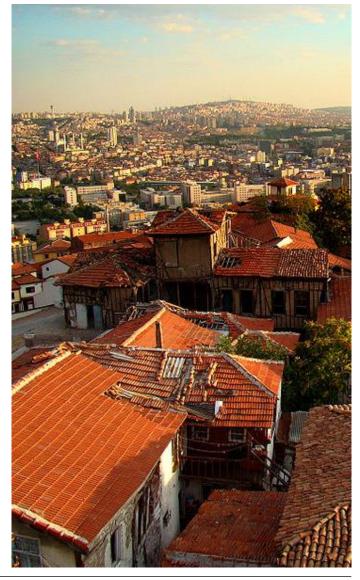
Relatively cold winters paired with hot and dry summers

#### **Reputation of cycling**

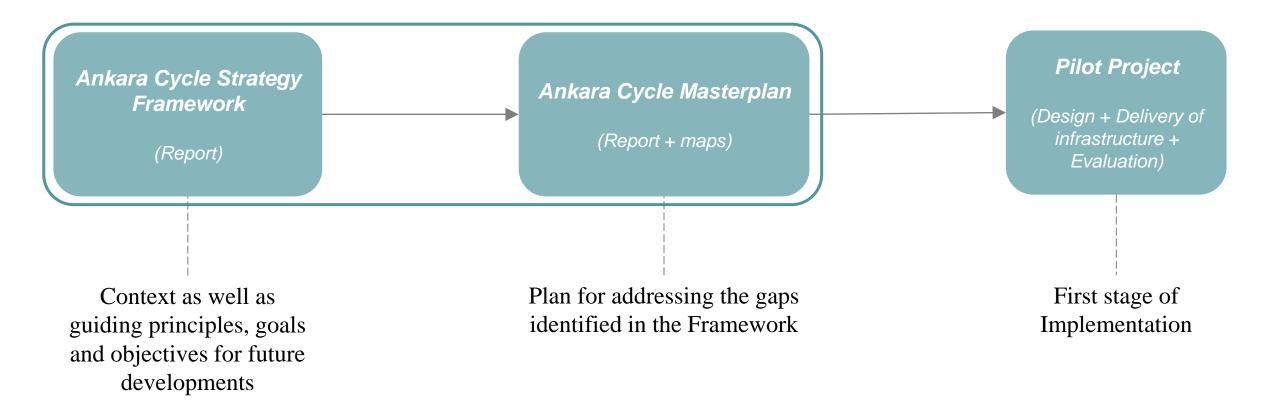
Bicycle is seen as a children's toy or a leisure activity, not a mode of transport

#### **Poor road safety**

High numbers of accidents



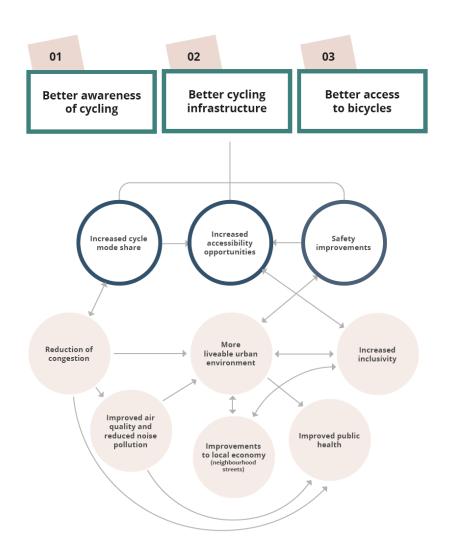
### Our Approach



### How to integrate cycling into daily life?

#### Guiding principles to lead the thinking for the Masterplan

- 1. Cyclable streets for everyone
- 2. Access to bicycle for everyone
- 3. Awareness of cycling for everyone



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#### **Subsequent goals for the Masterplan**

Cyclable streets for everyone

Access to the bicycle for everyone

Awareness of the bicycle by everyone

Gender Equality and Inclusion

"Bicycle will be a mode of transport used by everyone."

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"The bicycle system of Ankara will be integrated with the urban transport system."

Services

"Bicycle services will make cycling a more attractive mode of transport."

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"Cycling will have a stronger role in legislation and regulations."

"Ankara will have a comprehensive and consistent bicycle network that enables safe, coherent, direct, attractive and comfortable travel by bicycle."

"Public bodies will have the knowhow and commitment to facilitate the implementation of a cycling culture."

"All population groups in Ankara will see cycling as a natural choice for transport."

"Cycling will be seen positively amongst decision makers, public bodies, private companies and all groups of the population." Organisational
Capacity
Bicycle

Infrastructure

Reputation

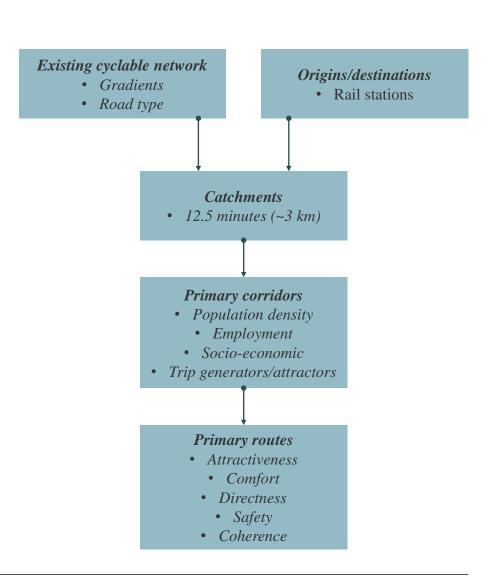


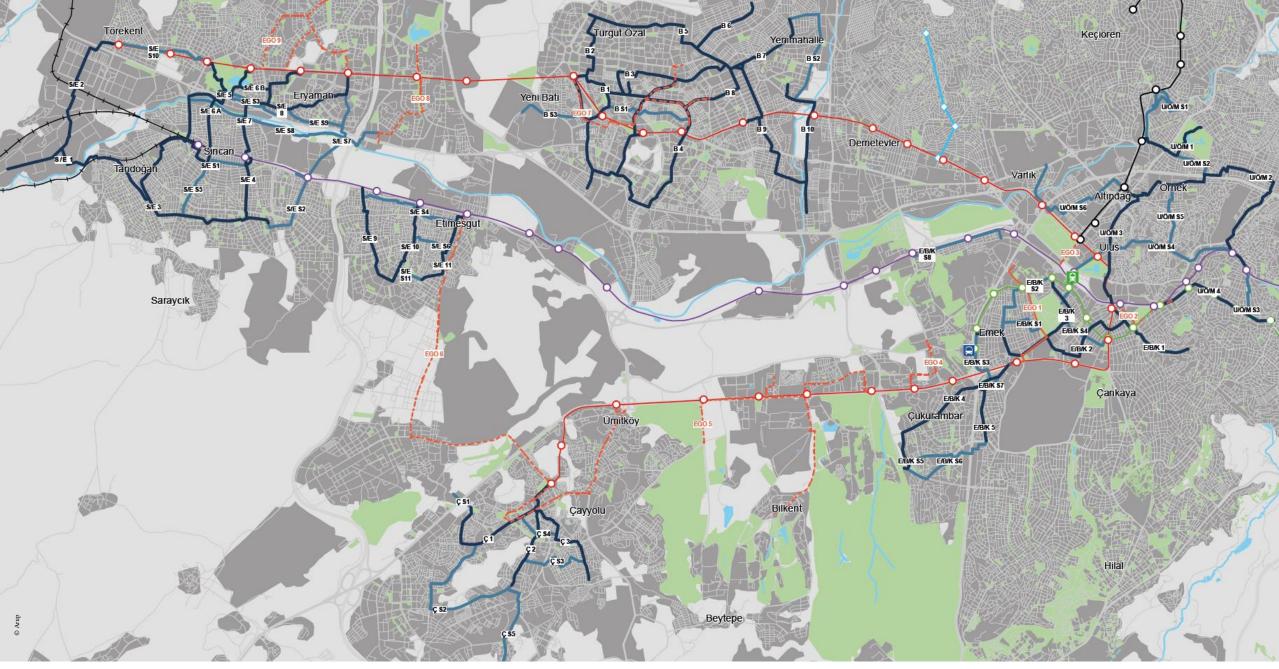
### Approach to the Cycle Network

The Masterplan is successful only when also the habitually underrepresented groups are considered:

- 1. Children,
- 2. Elderly people,
- 3. Women,
- 4. Low income citizens,
- 5. People with disablities,
- 6. Migrants (unregistered citizens),
- 7. Visitors.

Having Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) related KPI's ensures that the implemented cycle Masterplan is for everyone.





Proposed Cycle Network for Ankara City Core

### Thank you for your attention

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