Policy areas influencing urban water management

- Urbanisation
- Demographic changes
- Economic development
- Food insecurity
- Global shocks
- Climate change

Water risks

- Water pollution
- Competition over water allocation
- Droughts
- Ageing or missing infrastructure
- Floods
- Access to water and sanitation
- Water borne diseases

Obstacles to water governance

- Fragmentation of municipal authorities
- Lack of staff
- Lack of funding
- Low citizen awareness
- Weak enforcement
- Weak public procurement processes
- Political interference
- Lack of conflict resolution mechanism
- Weak basin governance
- Incomplete, fragmented data
- Low level of investment
- Competing water uses
- Lack of monitoring and evaluation of public policies
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**National and local policy frameworks**

- **National level**
  - Dedicated national water and sanitation policy indicating goals, duties, and resources
  - Recognition of the UN right to Water and Sanitation

- **Local level**
  - Existence of a dedicated water and sanitation policy

- **Medium**
  - Minimum amount of water guaranteed to the population
  - Social measures on water and/or sanitation for vulnerable categories

- **Low**

**Transparency and accountability mechanisms**

- **High**
  - Clear procurement processes
  - Annual budget auditing of water and sanitation services
  - Annual disclosure of financial information of water and sanitation services
  - Clear budget transparency rules

- **Medium**

- **Low**
  - Anti-bribery management systems
  - Institutional anti-corruption plans
  - Whistle-blower protection policies
  - Clear and mandatory processes to prevent potential conflicts of interest
  - Random integrity testing or audits

**Forward-looking strategies**

- **High**
  - Build, operate or maintain water infrastructure
  - Catalyse water financing
  - Raise citizen awareness on water risks
  - Develop legal or regulatory frameworks

- **Medium**
  - Enhance stakeholder engagement
  - Foster cooperation with cities and/or national governments
  - Build capacity of officials and stakeholders

- **Low**