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Synergistic circular value chains – from rural waste to urban high-tech construction materials

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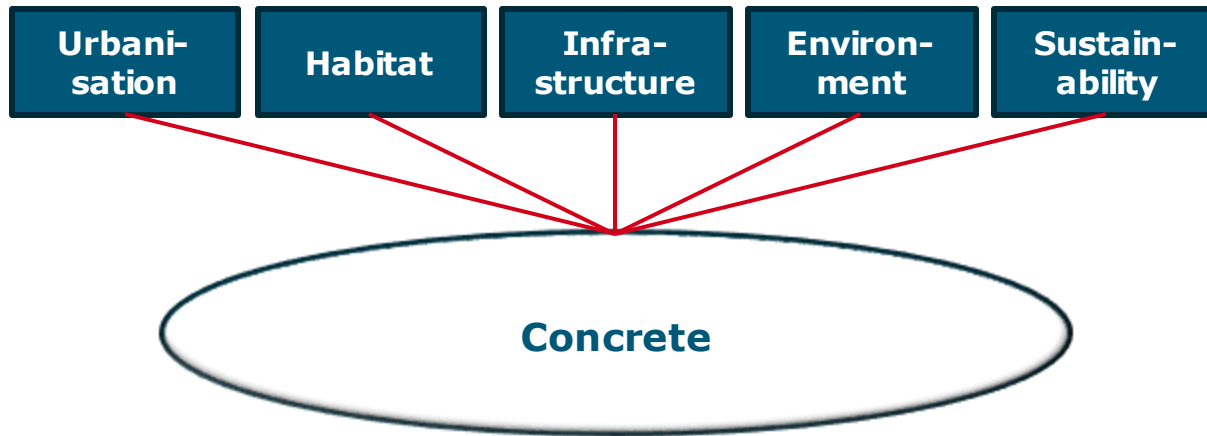
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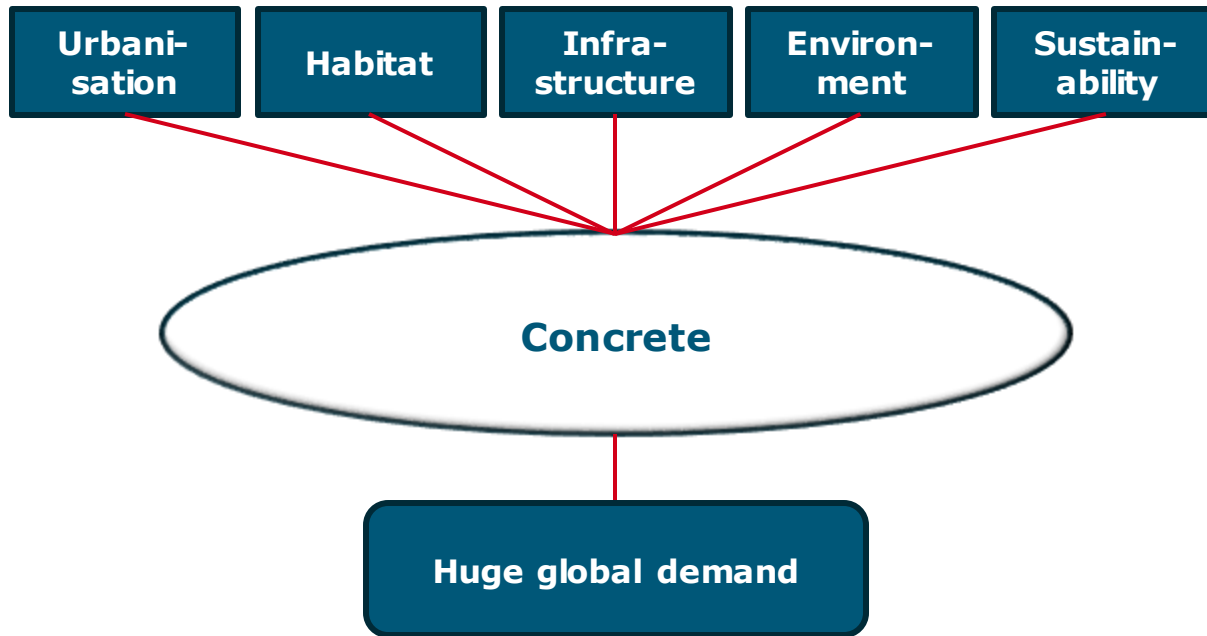
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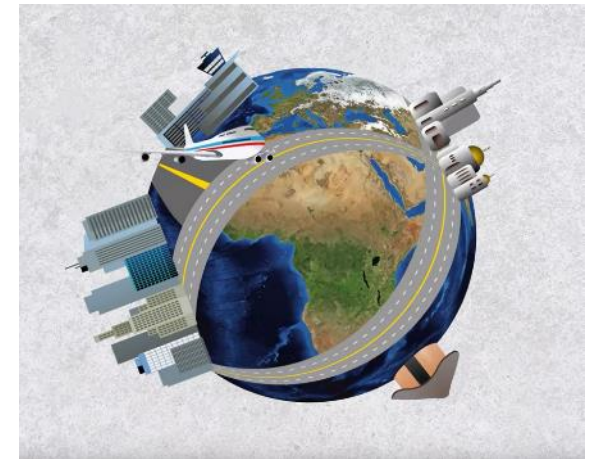
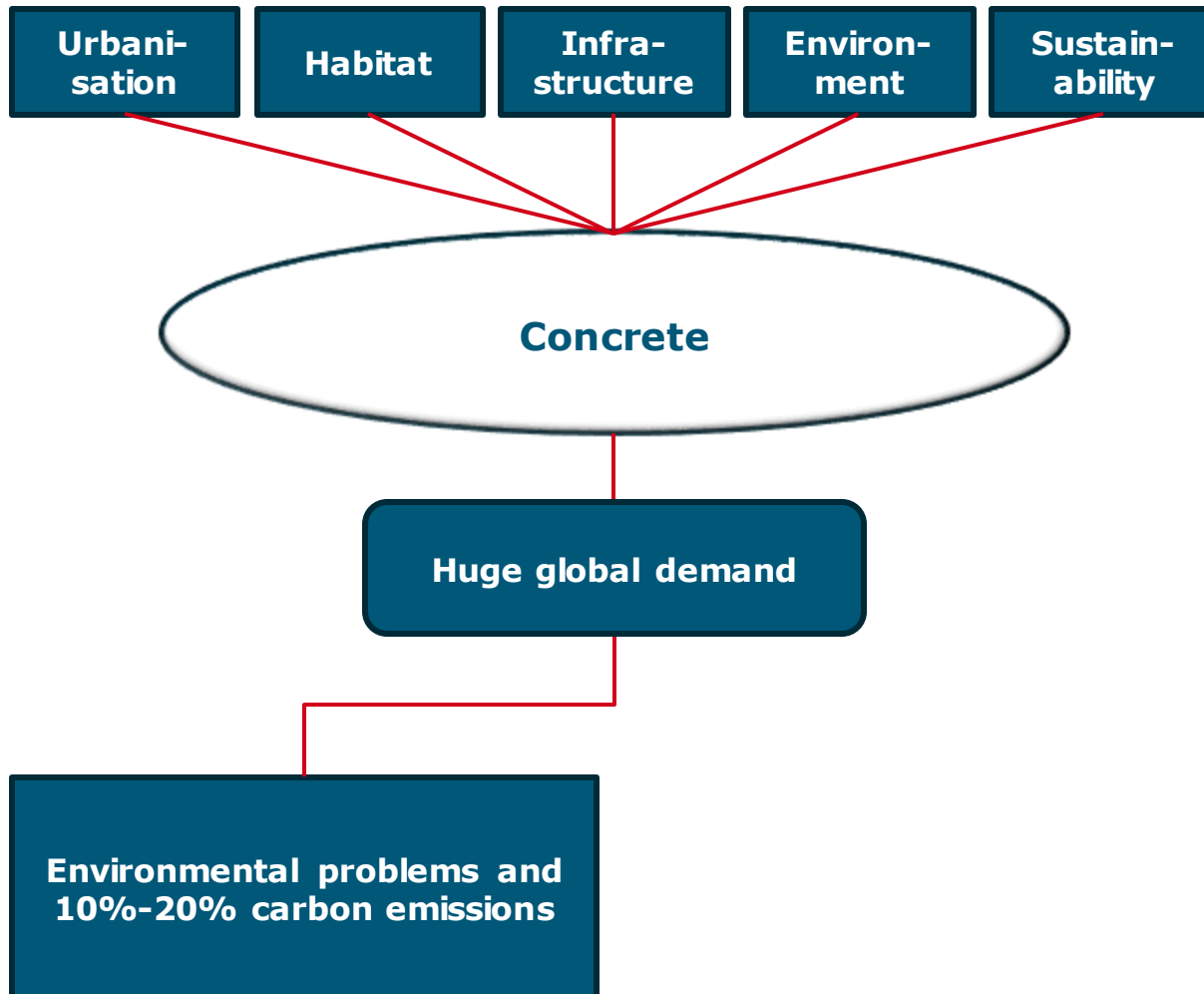
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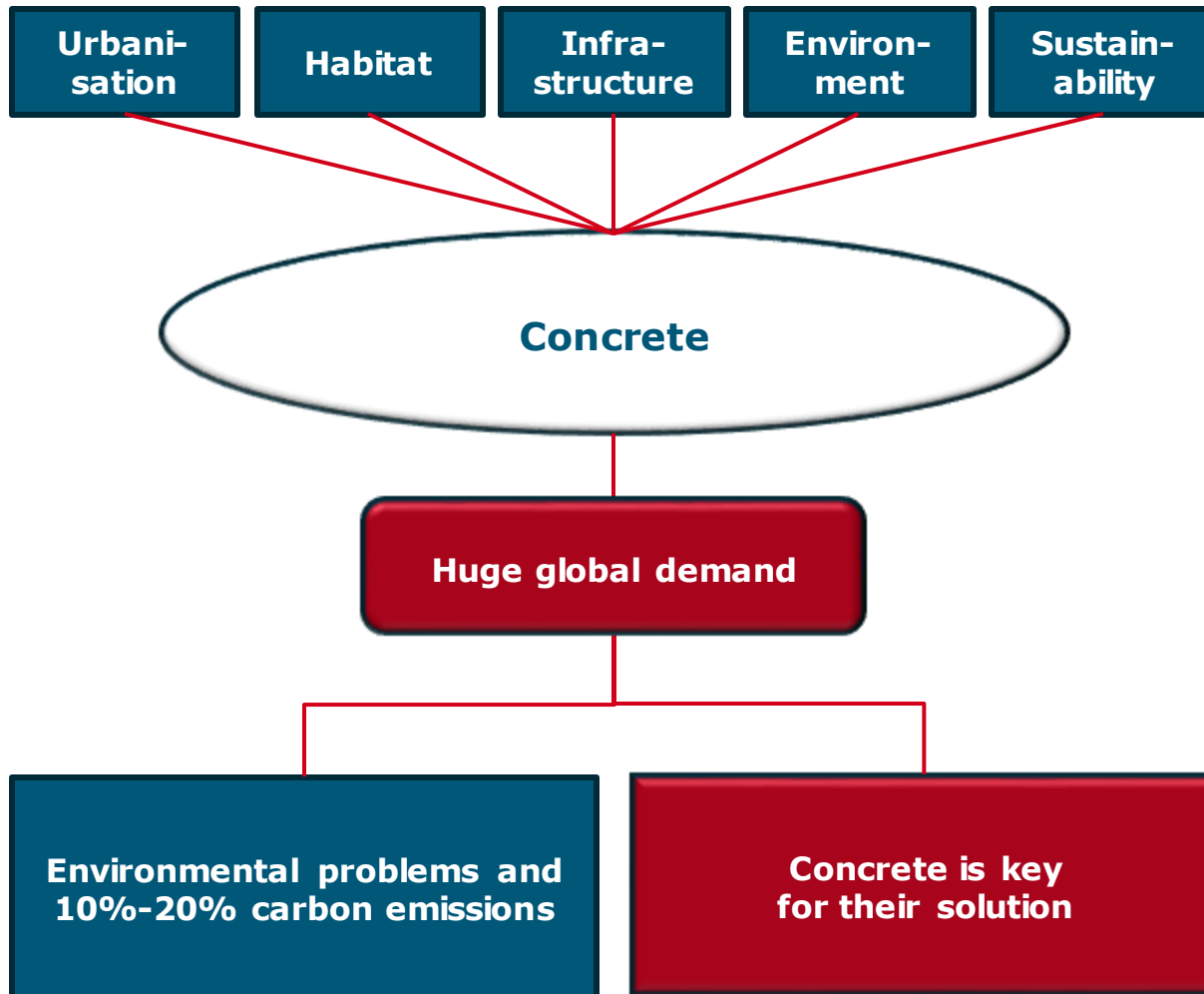
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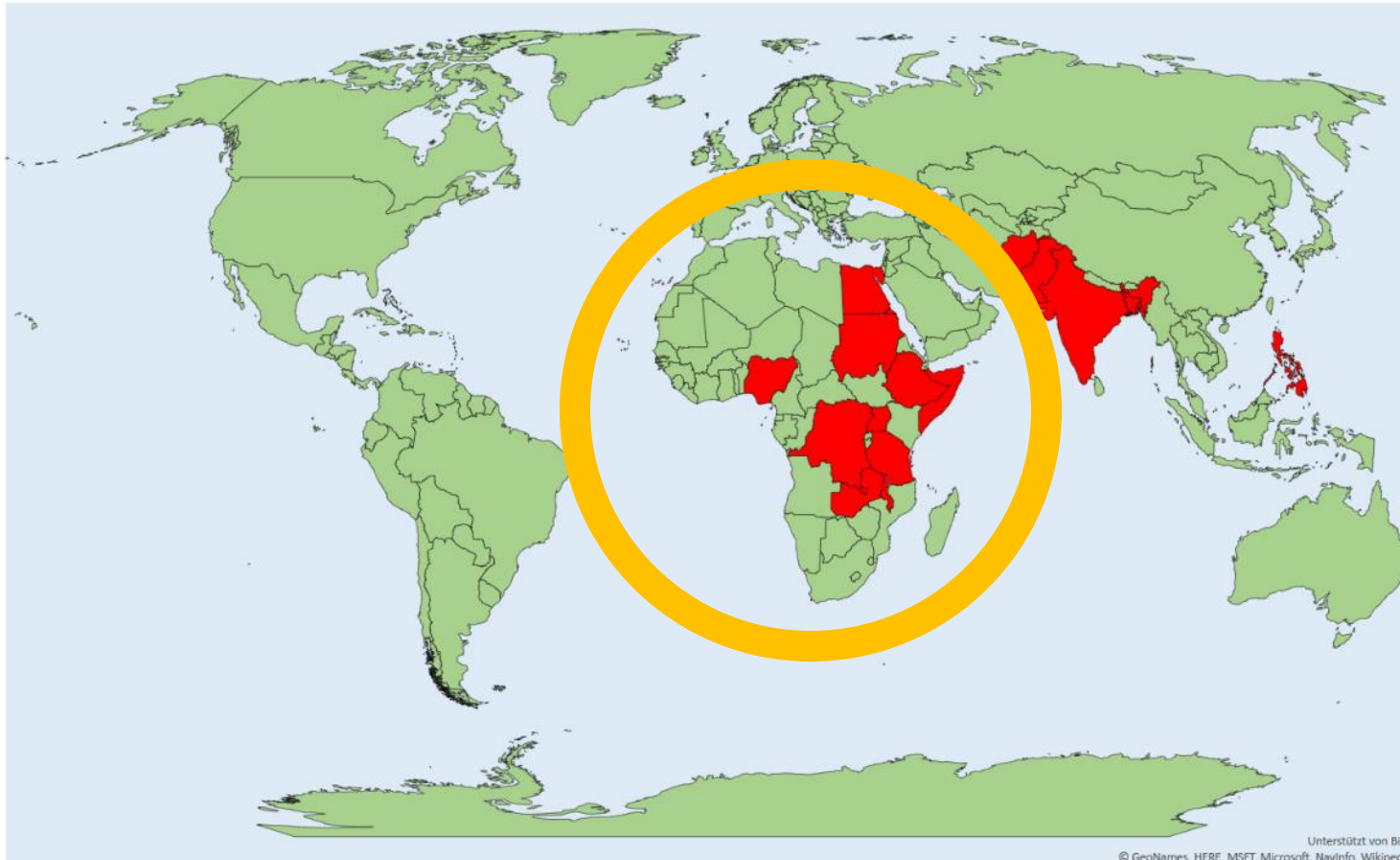
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Urbanisation challenges and potentials

Projection for 2100

Countries with the 20 most populated cities in 2100

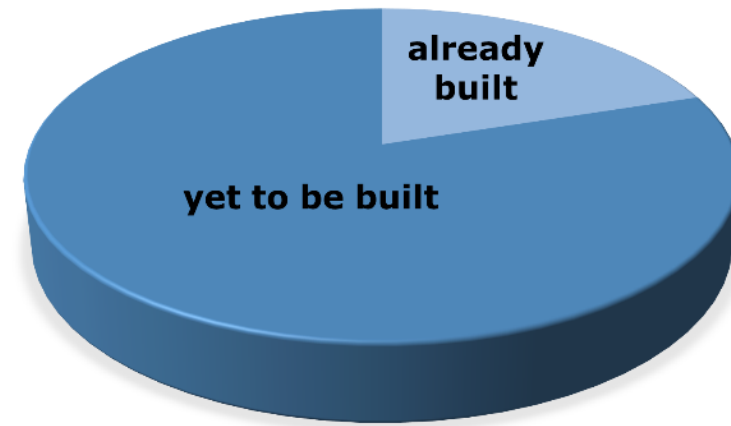


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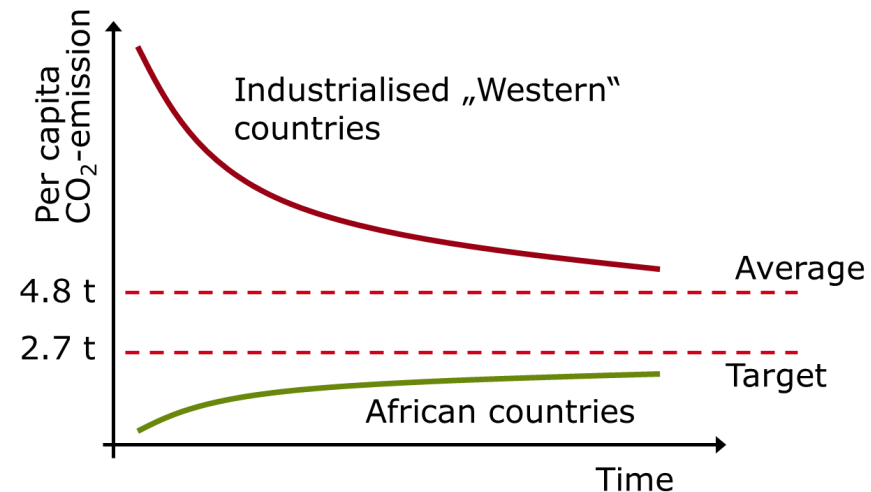
Africa's potentials

80% of all African urban buildings in 2050 have not yet been built.

TOTAL URBAN BUILDINGS IN 2050



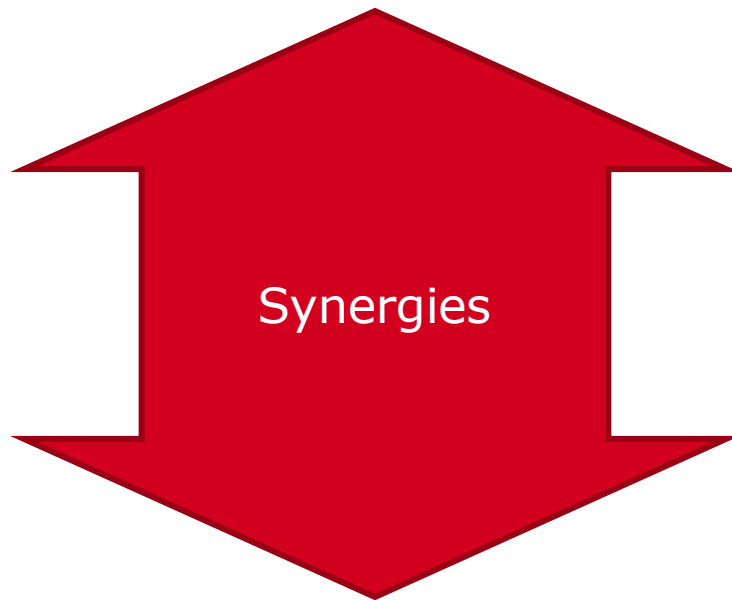
Africa's carbon footprint is significantly lower than that of the rest of the world.



Rural to urban synergies

Need for link between urban and rural growth

Vast urban growth

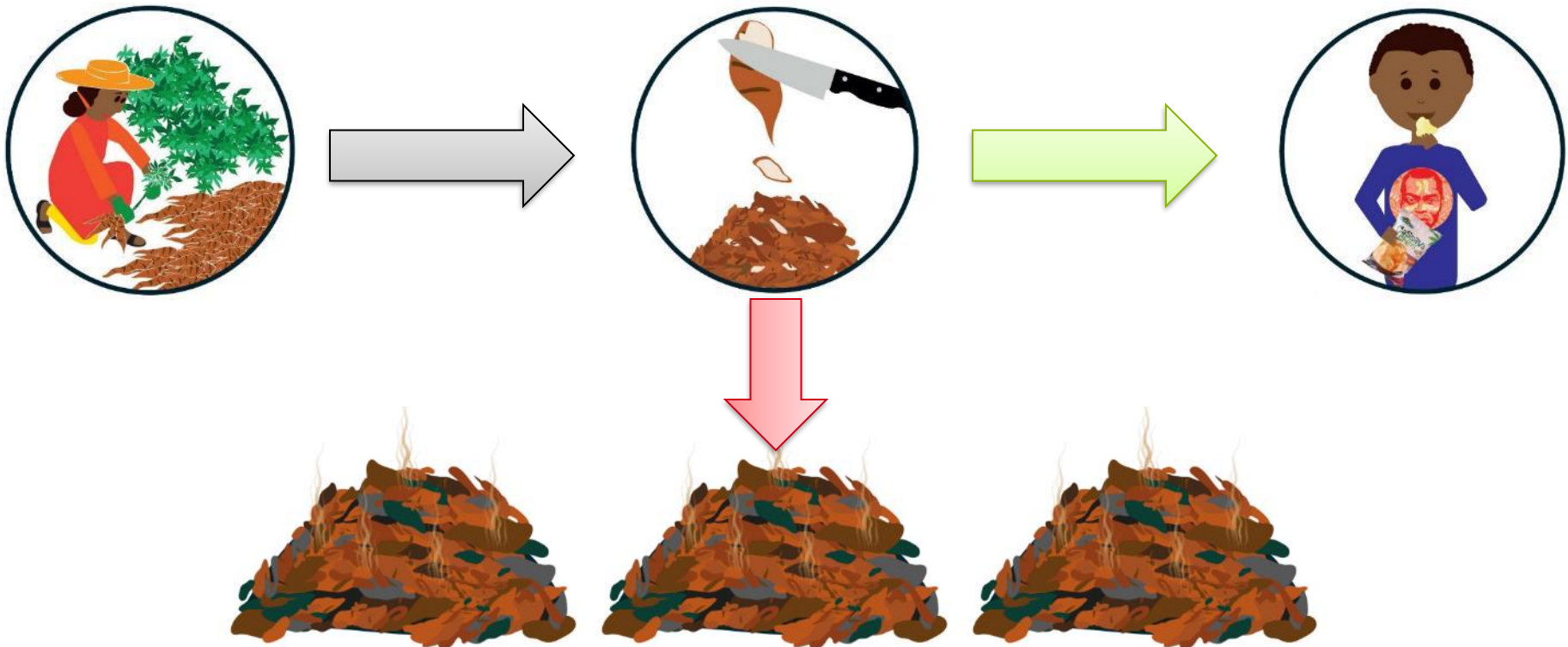


Vast agricultural potentials



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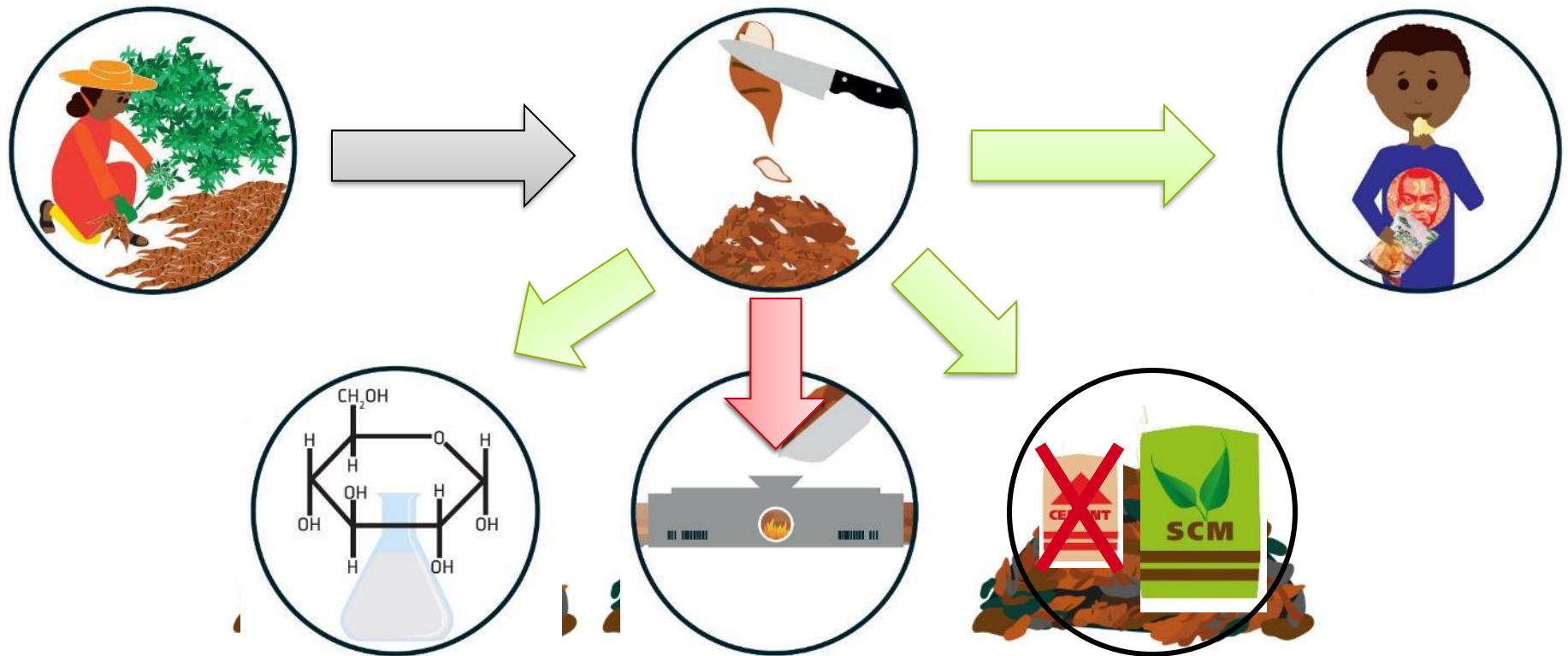
Today's process



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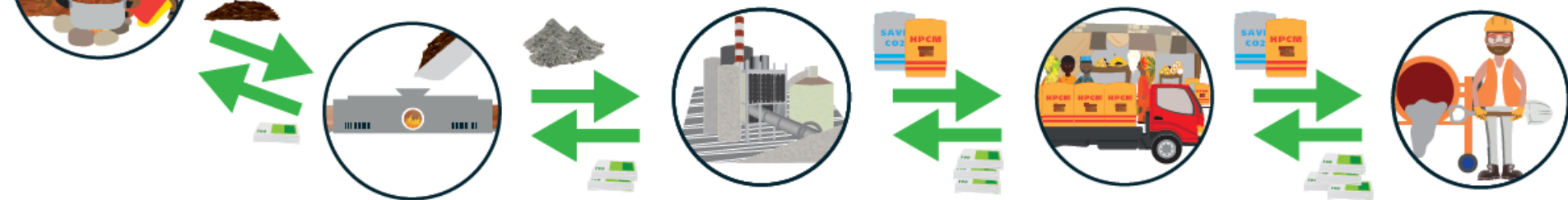
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Chemical value chain



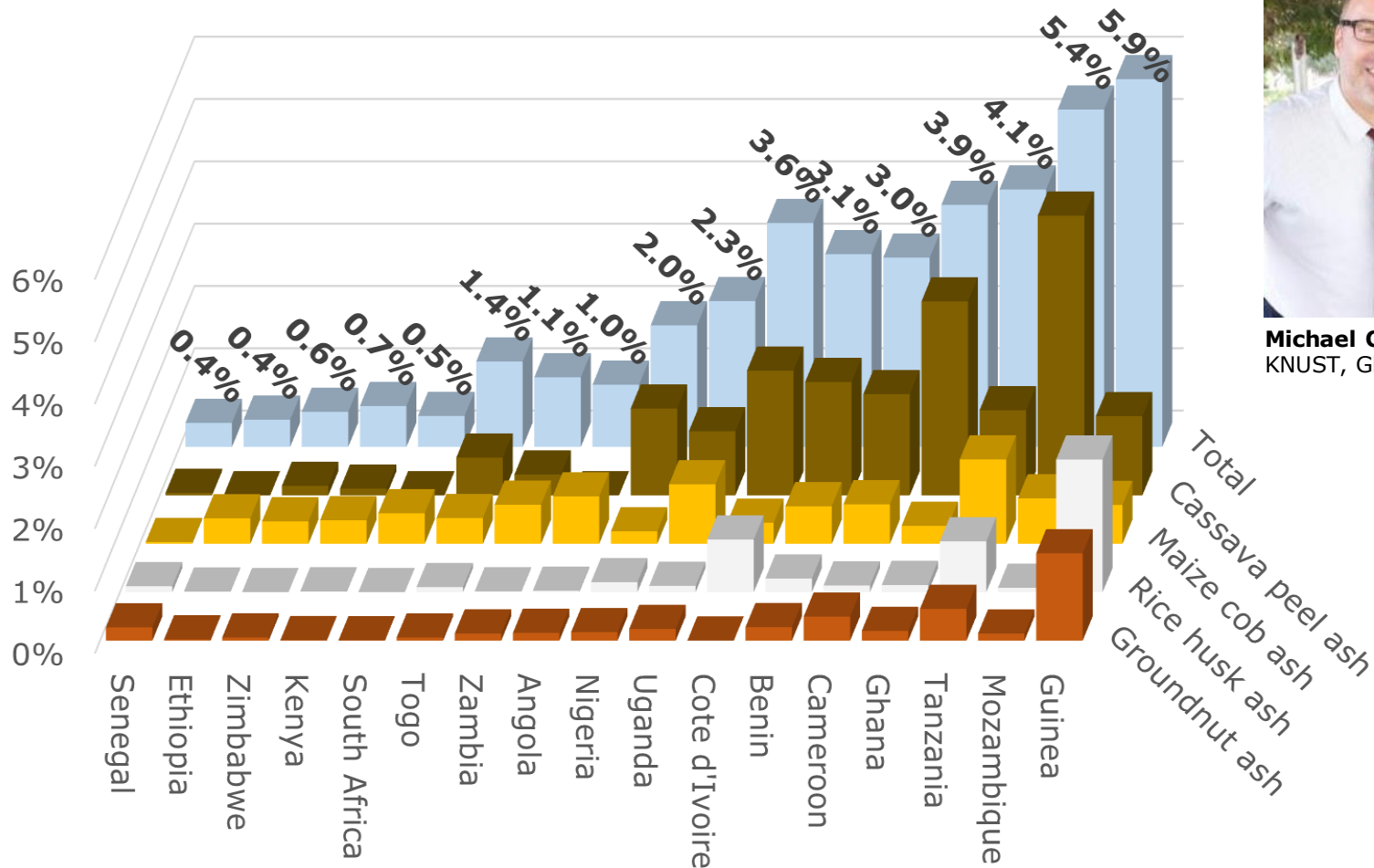
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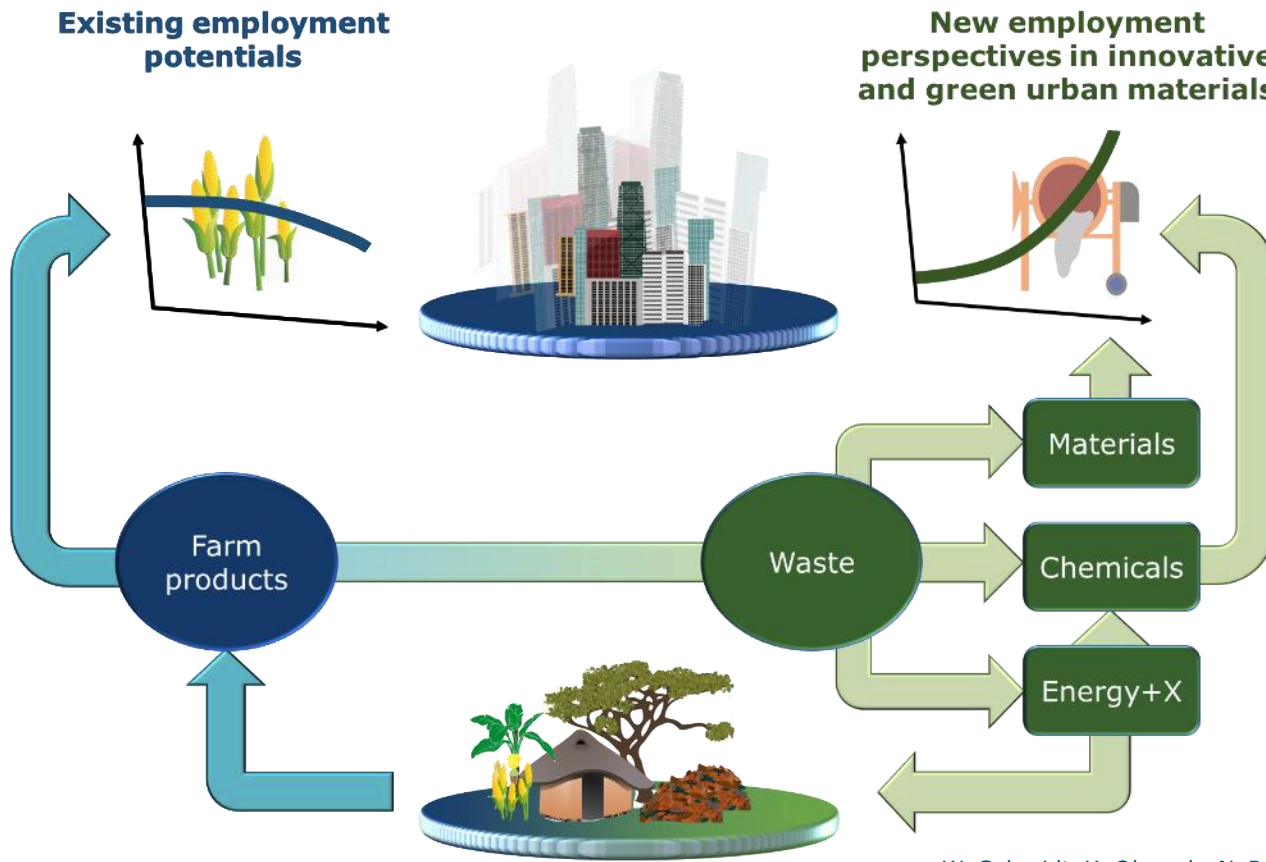
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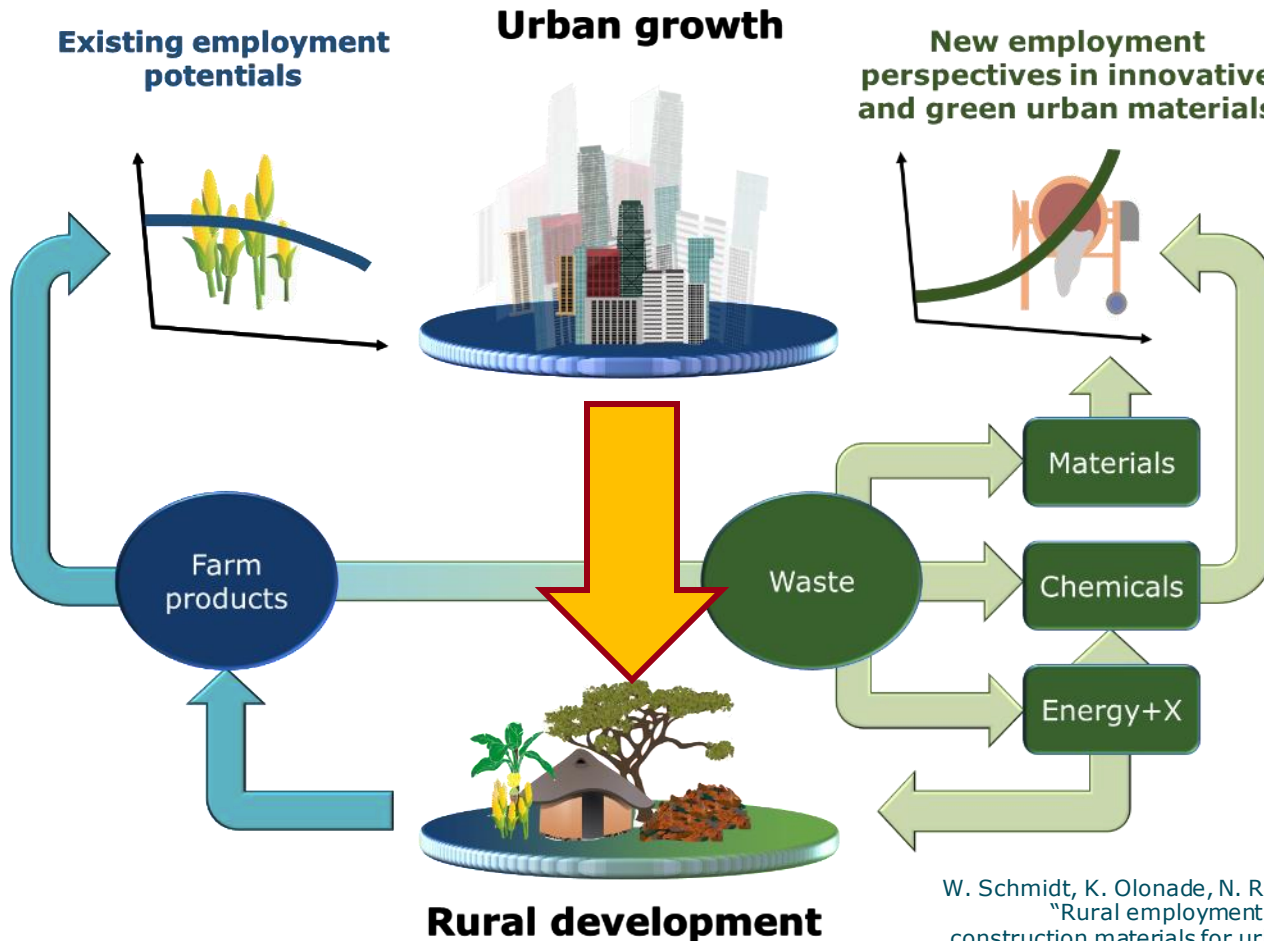
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Summary

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