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Diepsloot Retail Centre
Diepsloot
Sixth Pine St
Third Pine St
Phumula
Ironwood St
Thorn St
South Ave
14
Mango St
Eighteenth Kiaat St
Teak St
Khowa St
Apex St
Angelo St
Fig St
Amos St
Hadebe St
Soni St
Sixth Pear St
Alice St
Almeda St
Alouette St
Alphine St
Africa St
Badri St
Lemon St
Fourth Lemon St
Orange St
Peach Rd
Abel St
Abrams St
Plum St

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The World's Most Unequal Country

Johannesburg, South Africa, suburbs Primrose, left, and Makause

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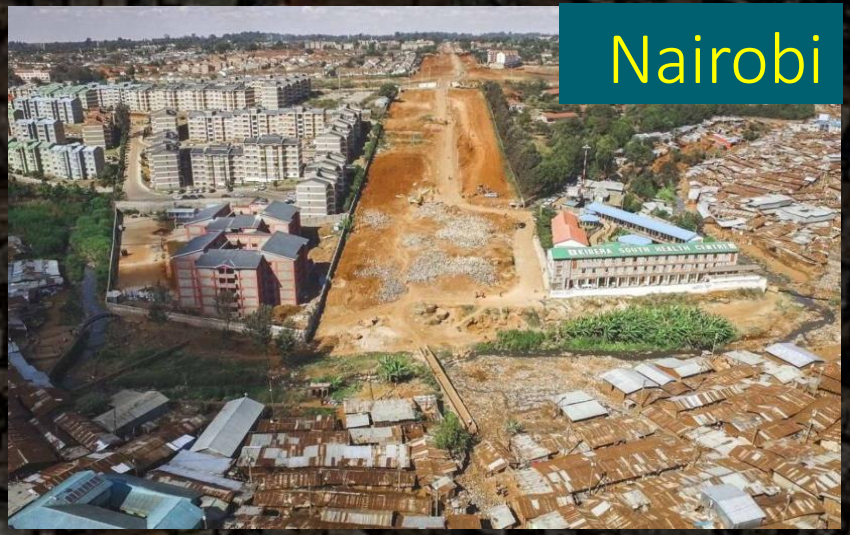
São Paulo



Nairobi

Juarez

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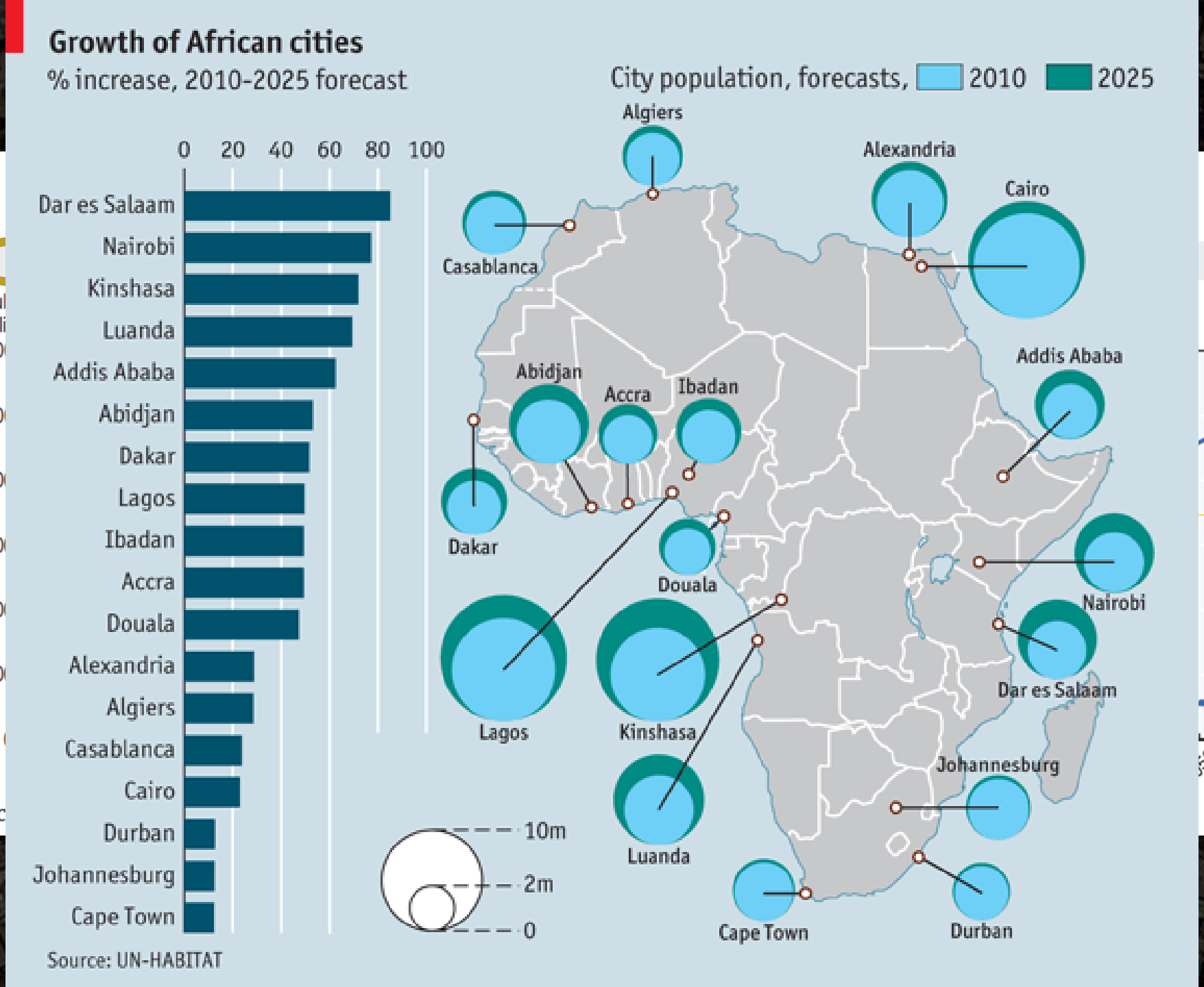
Growth of African cities
% increase, 2010-2025 forecast
0
20
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60
80
100
Dar es Salaam
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Kinshasa
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Addis Ababa
Abidjan
Dakar
Lagos
Ibadan
Accra
Douala
Alexandria
Algiers
Casablanca
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City population, forecasts, 2010 2025
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10m
2m
0
Source: UN-HABITAT

Celebrate hybridity, impurity, intermingling, the transformation that comes of new and unexpected combinations of human beings, cultures, ideas, politics, movies, songs. I rejoice in mongrelization and fear the absolutism of the Pure. Melange, hotchpotch, a bit of this and a bit of that, is how newness enters the world. It is the great possibility that mass migration gives the world, and I have tried to embrace it.

– Salman Rushdie

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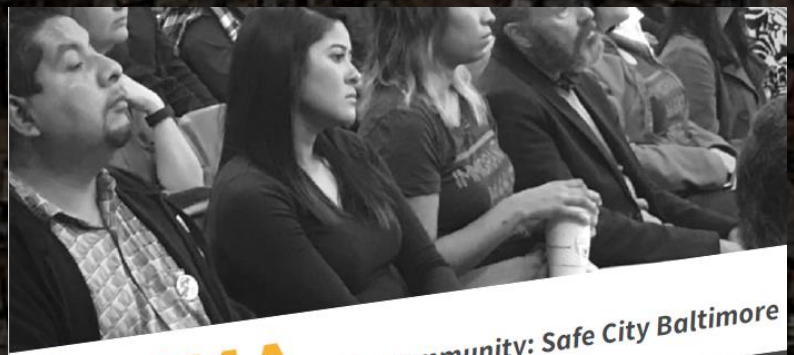

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OCT. 11, 2018
5:30 - 7:30 PM

Southeast Anchor Library
3601 Eastern Ave.

Join Mayor Pugh, MIMA, & partner organizations like the Vera Institute of Justice to learn how Safe City works, what it's accomplished, and how you or your immigrant neighbors can access critical legal services in Baltimore City.

"Legal support & defense are concrete examples of our commitment to

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MIGRATION WAVES of ACTION

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city

inclusive

sustainable

The city

Paris

London

New York

Chicago

Dubai

Singapore

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Dar es Salaam

Luanda

Sagana, Kenya

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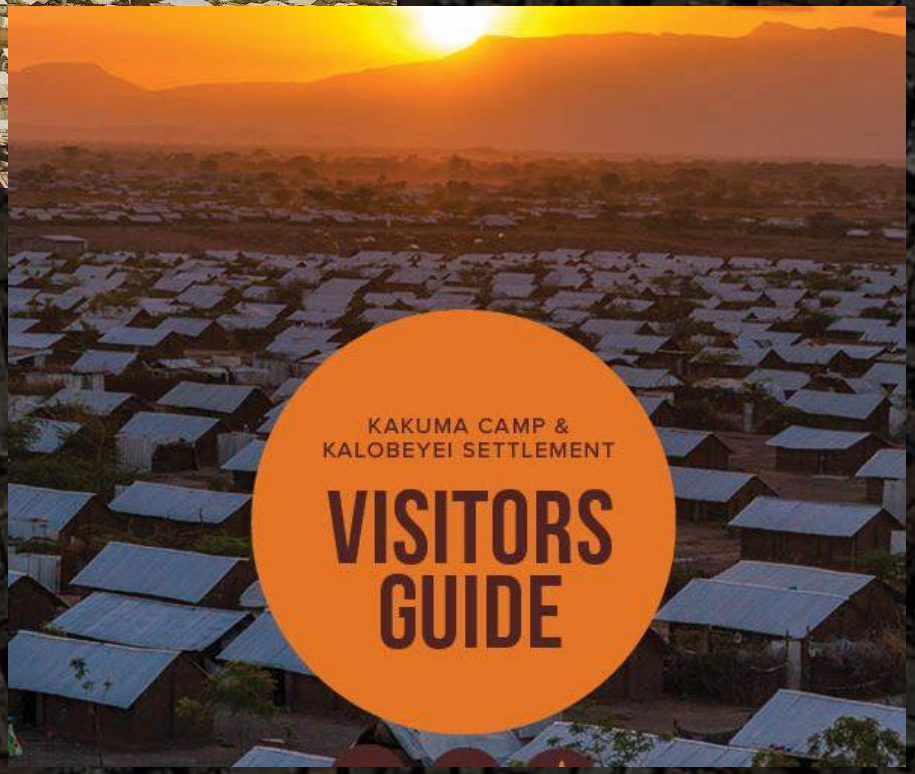
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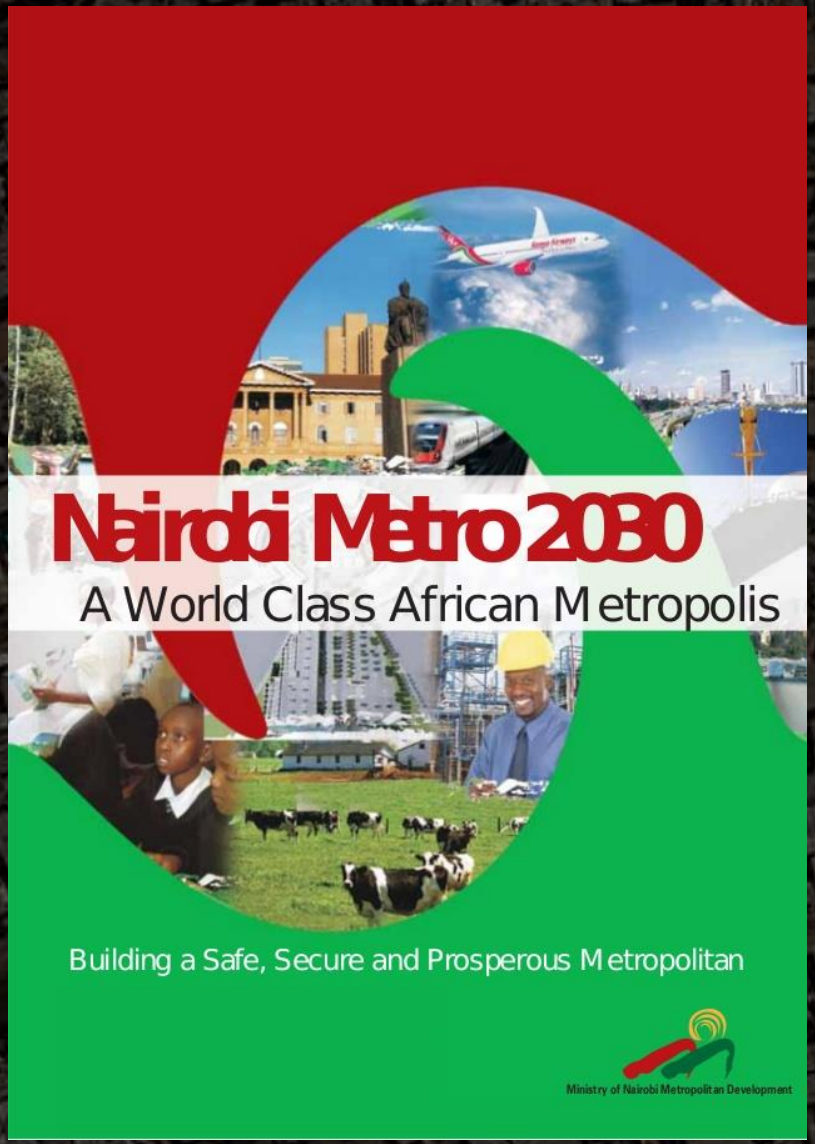
Inclusion as aspiration?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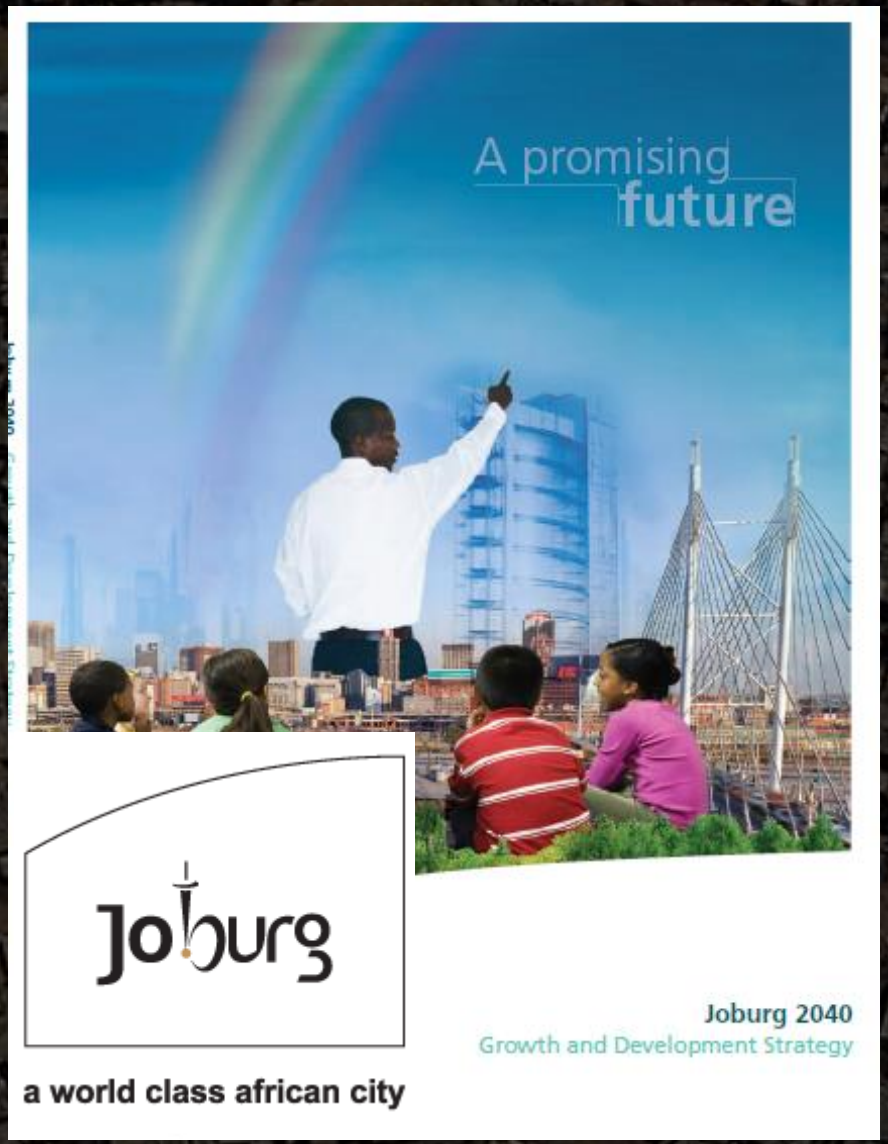
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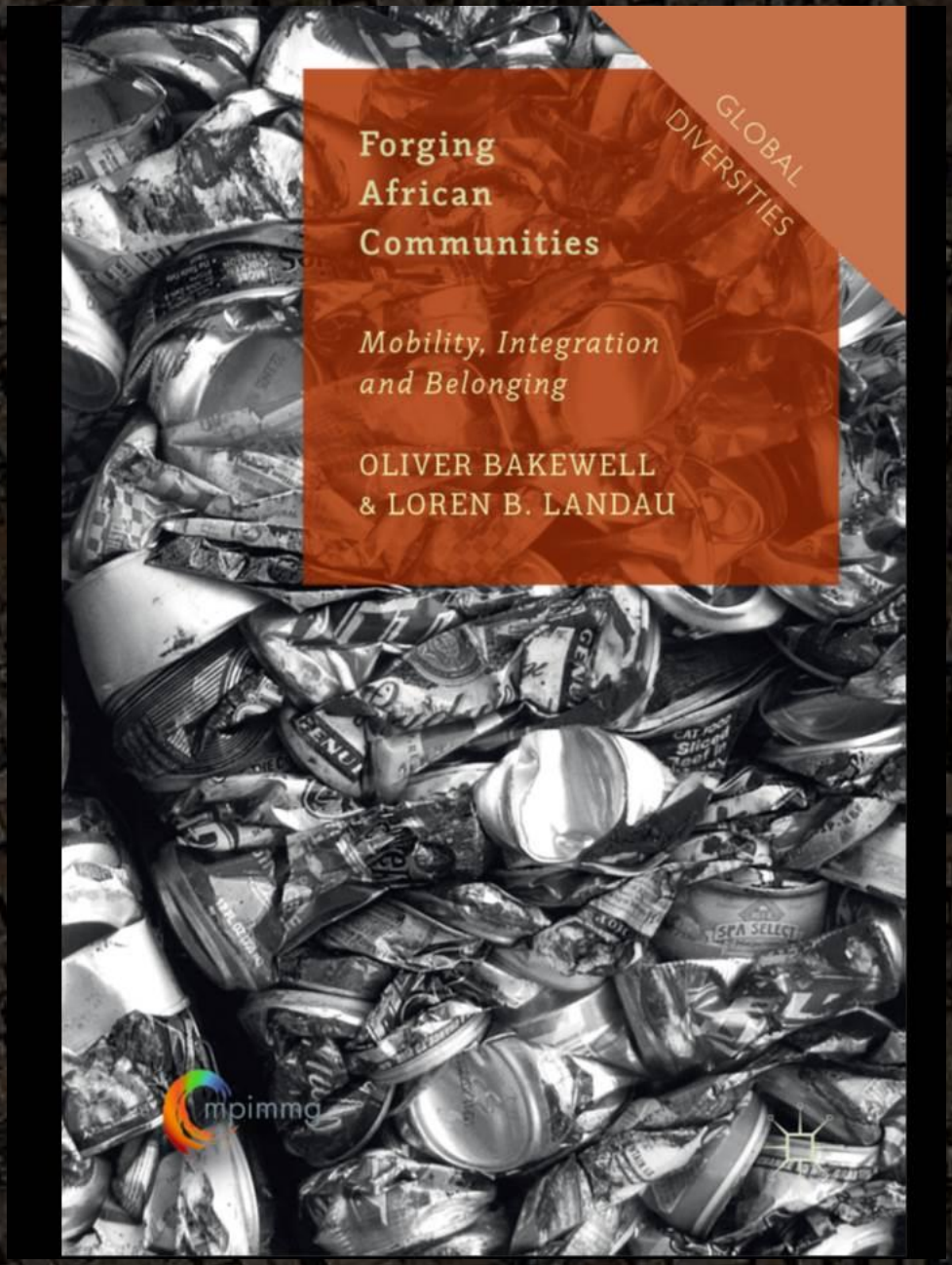
a world class african city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God owns everywhere, so even if you break the law here, he will forgive you.

- Stella, Ugandan migrant in Johannesburg

The marooned malaise

We are waiting for the government. We are waiting for the UNHCR. We are waiting for God.

- Estefanos Worku Abeto

'To be existentially and socially stuck is not just a question of being stuck in place but equally about being stuck in time'

- Jefferson, et al

People now experience, 'spatio-temporal disruption . . . where their futures within the city remain stalled and fixed in uncertainty, ultimately influencing notions of belonging and urban governance'.

- K. Ramakrishnan, 2013

The proliferation of refugee camps is as integral a product/manifestation of globalization as is the dense archipelago of stop-over nowherevilles through which the new globe-trotting elite moves. . . What they share is extraterritoriality, their not truly belong to the place, being 'in' but not 'of' the space they physically occupy.

- Z. Baumann (2002), *Society Under Siege*

governing for sustainability

Building archipelagic futures

- City remains site of imagination and potentiality, despite precarity
- City life is constructed by the market and politics, but not as Simmel, Weber, Lefebvre and other describe
- Solidity and site-based connection can be risky: ethics of disconnection and self-fabrication

Governing for inclusion?

Reconsider:

- Meaning and desirability of bounded sustainability
- ‘Rights to the city’, mechanisms of inclusion and planning
- Marginality and agency
- Urban upgrading

A new relational perspective on cities means that it is impossible to understand cities as territories prior to their engagements with other places.

– McFarlane 2011: 664

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