Toward gender sensitive planning in Cairo
80% of motorised trips on microbuses

Bus speeds: 5-10 km during peak hour

78 km metro network
Cairo BRT: First phase

- 42 km corridor
- 39 stations
- 119 articulated buses (trunk service)
- 126,000 passengers/day
- Passing lanes & express services
- Integration with metro, bus, paratransit

Map showing the 6th of October City and Giza BRT Phase 1 route.
Gender study: Data collection
Which mode is least secure?

- CTA bus: 35%
- Microbus: 16%
- Walking: 15%
- Minibus: 14%
- Taxi: 12%
- Metro: 11%
- Bike: 4%
- Uber / Careem: 2%
- Private Car: 1%
- Motorcycle: 0%

Fraction of respondents
Should buses have separate sections for women?

- Online survey: 80% Yes, 20% No
- Terminal survey: 93% Yes, 7% No

“First a woman would not ride in a taxi alone, then not even the microbus, and now not even a bus!”
Operator attitudes & behaviour

“We keep telling the drivers to please slow down to secure our lives, but they won’t listen!”

“You may also ride a microbus and be harassed by the driver or even by one of his friends sitting beside him.”
Last-mile connectivity

“The presence of shops gives us a sense of security.”

“If ... I were harassed by anyone in the street, the first people I could resort to are shop owners.”

“On the main street, people are going and coming and it makes you feel secure. But our street is a different case.”
# Interagency action plan

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| BRT agency | • Incorporate gender provisions in infrastructure designs and RFPs for system operations  
  • Reporting mechanism and standard operating procedures for addressing harassment  
  • Communications campaigns on the BRT system  
  • User satisfaction surveys |
| Bus, fare collection, and ITS companies | • Provide incentives for hiring of women  
  • Staff training |
| NUCA, Cairo Governorate, Giza Governorate | • Facilitate gender training among paratransit operators  
  • Improve last-mile connectivity: walking and cycling environment, street lighting |
| Police | • Patrols & enforcement |
| Ministry of Housing | • Finance for implementation |
Thank you

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