



Integrated Resource Management in Asian Cities: the Urban NEXUS



Collaboration across Administrative Boundaries

Institutionalized Horizontal Municipal Cooperation - Governance Contributions for Better Managing Natural Resources in Urbanized Regions: Experiences from Germany

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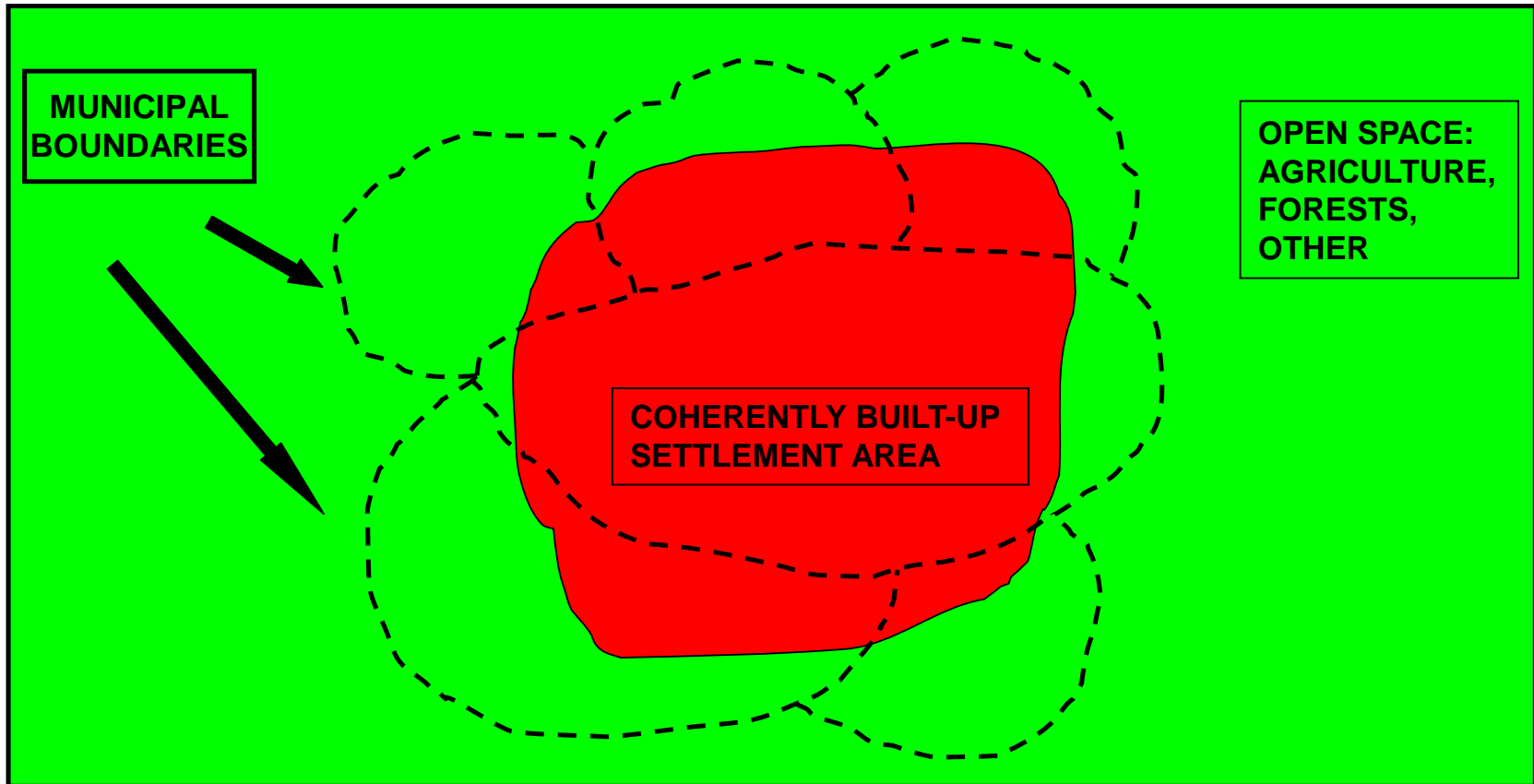


A. INTRODUCTION – HORIZONTAL ADMINISTRATIVE FRAGMENTATION AND THE URBAN NEXUS

- The NEXUS Project has identified **several challenges** for integrated resource management in cities
- **Horizontal administrative fragmentation** emerged as a **major risk** to implementing the NEXUS approach
- Local and regional governance structures frequently require **adaptive change** to improve management of natural resources
- **Permanent improvement** of cooperation between municipalities in fast urbanizing areas can provide a major impact
- Thus, institutional arrangements for **mitigating or overcoming municipal fragmentation** need to be explored to enhance **organizational sustainability** of the NEXUS approach



STYLIZED HORIZONTALLY FRAGMENTED URBAN AREA

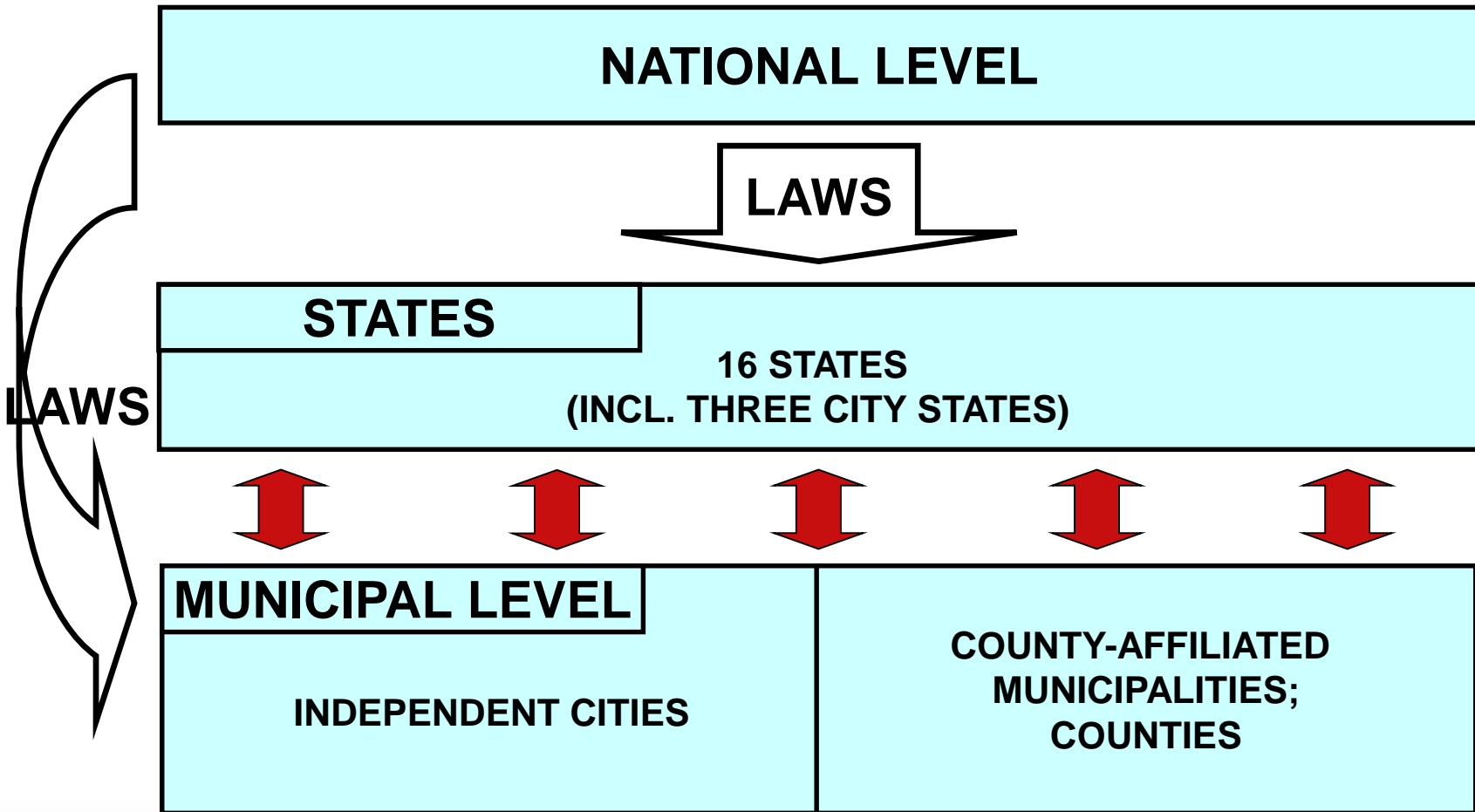




- Achieving lasting improvement of cooperation between municipalities **requires institutionalization**
- A few examples from Germany shall highlight **organizational types** of institutionalized municipal cooperation:
 - **Counties** (*Landkreise*)
 - **Special Purpose Associations** (*Zweckverbände*)
 - **Regional Planning Associations** (*Regionale Planungsgemeinschaften*)



B.1 BASIC STRUCTURE OF THE GERMAN STATE





- Germany is a **highly decentralized** state
- The **national** level implements its policy goals through **laws** and transfers of tax revenues
- The **relative autonomy** of the single states is roughly comparable to the relative autonomy of the states in Australia
- From the perspective of the municipal level: the **vast majority of administrative interactions** occurs between the municipal level and the state level

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