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**Conditions for efficient public transport in  
Palestine: Lessons from international experience**

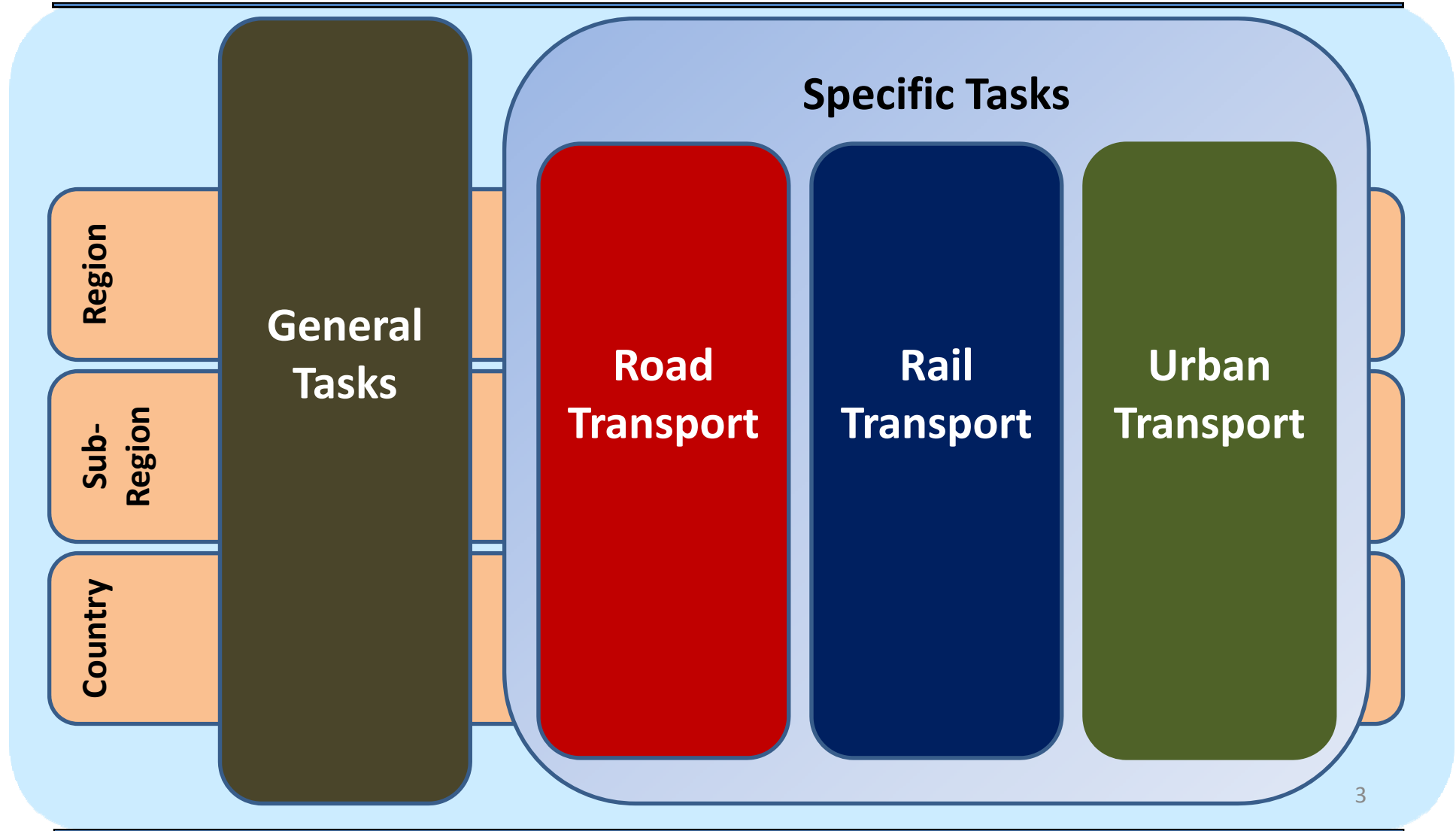
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# Project objectives



- **Land** transport
- **Regulatory** reform and adaptation
- Operational conditions as to facilitate **cross-border** transport
- **Safety** in land transport modes
- Sustainable and efficient transport in **urban areas**
- **Learning** from experience in the wider Mediterranean region

# Structure of the workplan



# Urban transport issues



- Urban sprawl and multiple **urban centres**
- Long commuting **distances**
- Low **car ownership rates** but ... Increasing traffic **congestion**
- Status of the zones / road network (**A,B,C**)
- Multiple status for **collective/shared** transport modes
- Mix of **traditional and professional** services
- Old public transport **fleet**
- Increasing **energy** demand (availability, price)
- Transport **externalities** (environment, road safety)

# Decision levels



<b>Strategic Level -</b>	Formulation of general <b>goals</b> and targets: <i>What do we want to achieve? With what resources ?</i> Territory served Overall subsidy levels General Accessibility goals General Attributes of Service	Long term
<b>Tactical Level -</b>	Specification of <b>solutions</b> needed to reach those goals: <i>Which products to achieve those goals ? How ?</i> Fare                      Routes                      Mode Timetable              Type of service	Medium term
<b>Operational Level –</b>	Deploy the appropriate <b>means</b> to ensure production <i>How to produce the service in an efficient manner?</i> Vehicle roster    Maintenance                      Staff Roster Consumables    HR management                      Fleet renewal	Short term

# Scope of competences of Transport Authorities



## Urban development

Integration of transport and urban planning

## Urban transport

Urban mobility policy  
Urban freight

Traffic and parking  
Modal integration

## Overall public transport market

Organisation of the informal market

Taxis

## Regulated public transport

Access to the profession  
Definition of the network  
and service requirements  
Public service obligation

Regulatory framework  
Service contracts  
Fares and ticketing  
Technical norms

# Ways of improvement



- **Strengthening of the regulatory framework and its enforcement**
  - Access to the profession (licensing, corporatisation)
  - Transport authority(ies) (National vs. Local)
  - Access to the market (Competition, contracts)
- **Hierarchisation of the transport modes and network**
  - Priority to buses, mass transit?
  - Main trunks and feeder routes
- **Formalisation and professionalisation of the market**
  - Gathering/clustering of operators in associations
  - Capacity building
- **Developing the infrastructure (stations) and renewing the fleet**

# Possible project activities



- **Technical assistance**
  - Set-up of transport organising authority
  - Restructuring of the bus market
  
- **Training and capacity building**
  - Traffic management
  - Bus operation and maintenance







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