



# CITIES & REGIONS FOR A RISC-PROOF BLUE ECONOMY

Preliminary findings from the  
OECD Global Survey on Localising the Blue Economy

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# OECD Cities and Regions for a Blue Economy



- **56** cities, regions and basins
- **30** countries
  - 15 OECD
  - 15 non-OECD
- **All** global regions covered



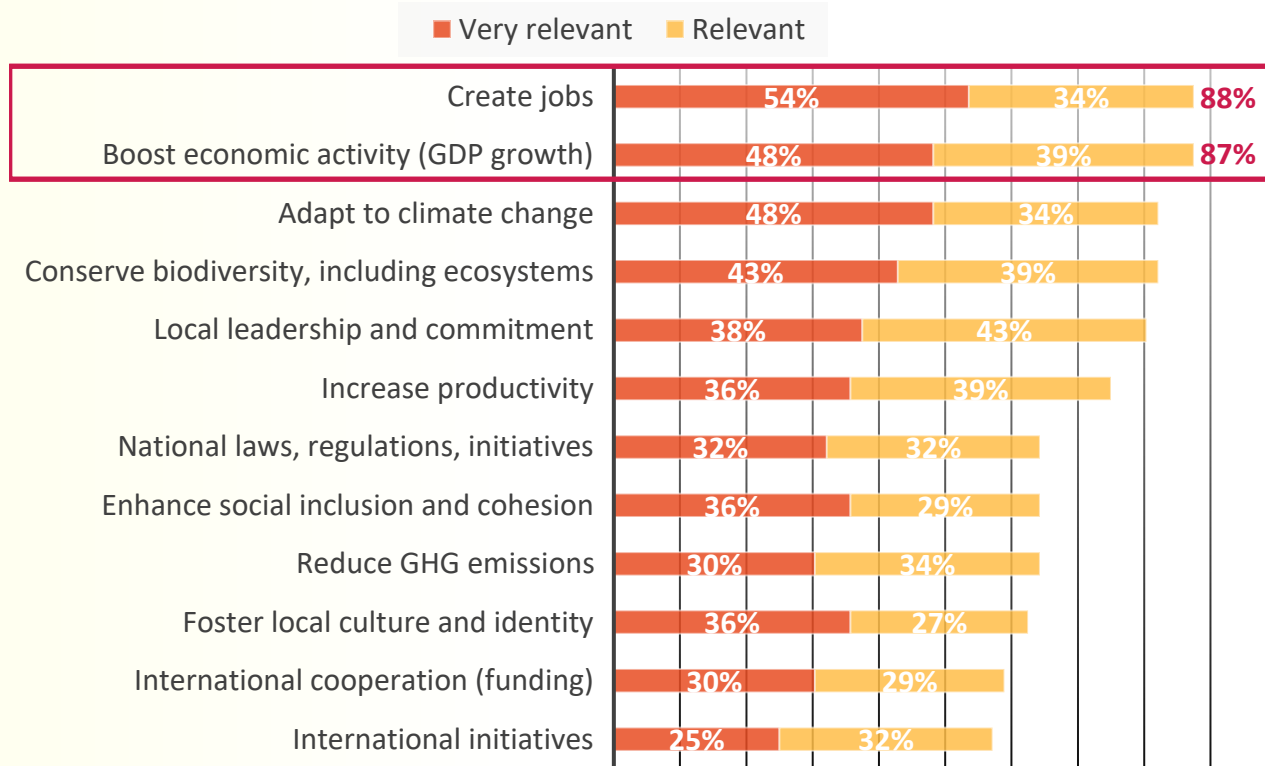


# **#1 THE BLUE ECONOMY IS A DRIVER OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**



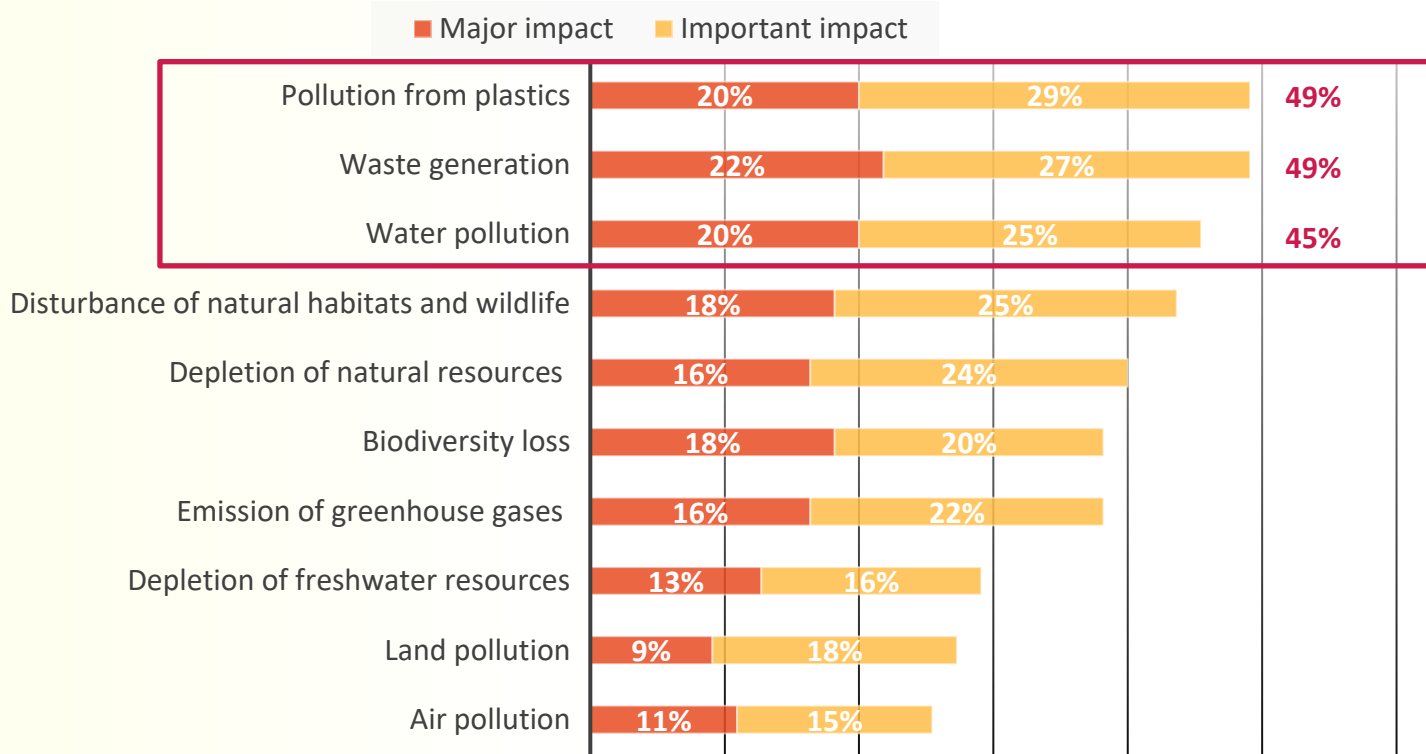
# The blue economy can boost local GDP and jobs

## Drivers for the blue economy at local level



Source: *OECD Global Survey on Localising the Blue Economy 2022*

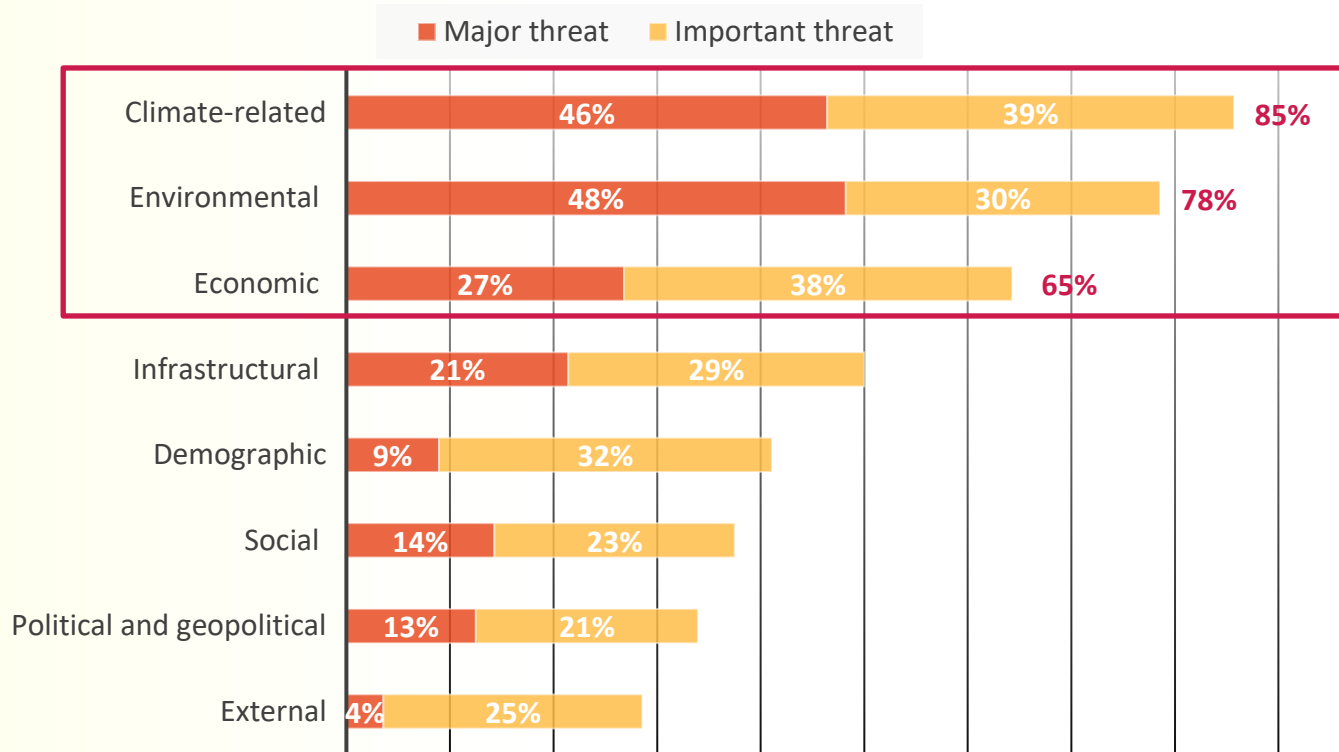
# ... but the blue economy is not always green



Source: *OECD Global Survey on Localising the Blue Economy 2022*



# Climate change is the #1 threat to the blue economy



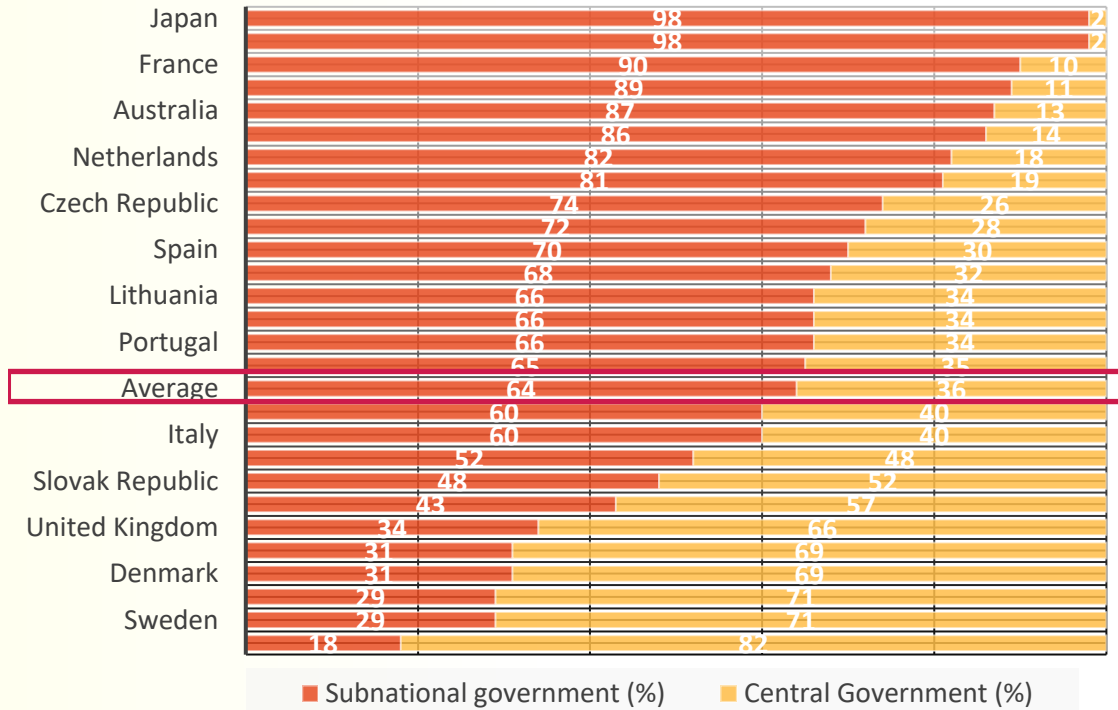
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# **#2 CITIES AND REGIONS PLAY A KEY ROLE IN THE BLUE ECONOMY**



# Cities & regions are responsible for 64% of investments related to climate and environment

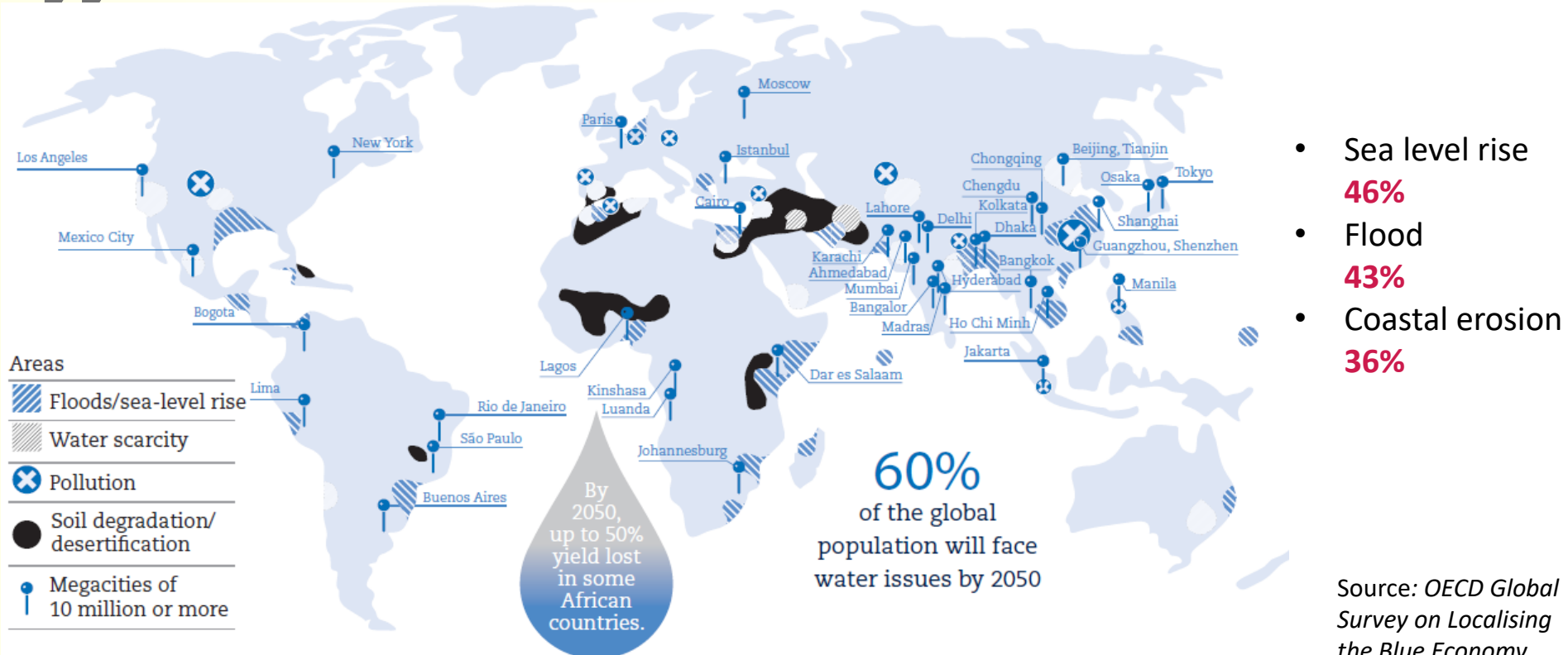


Source: OECD (2018), *Financing climate objectives in cities and regions to deliver sustainable and inclusive growth*





# ... but they are increasingly exposed to water risks



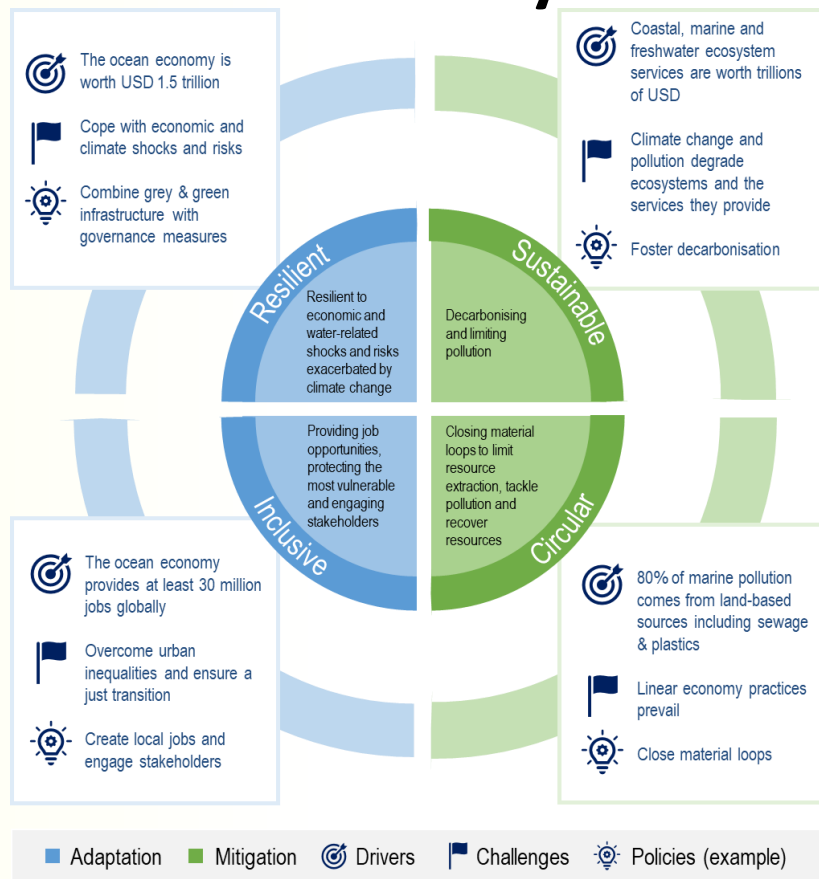
Source: OECD (2016), *OECD Science, Technology and Innovation Outlook*



# **#3 FOSTER A RESILIENT, INCLUSIVE, SUSTAINABLE & CIRCULAR BLUE ECONOMY THROUGH GOOD WATER GOVERNANCE**

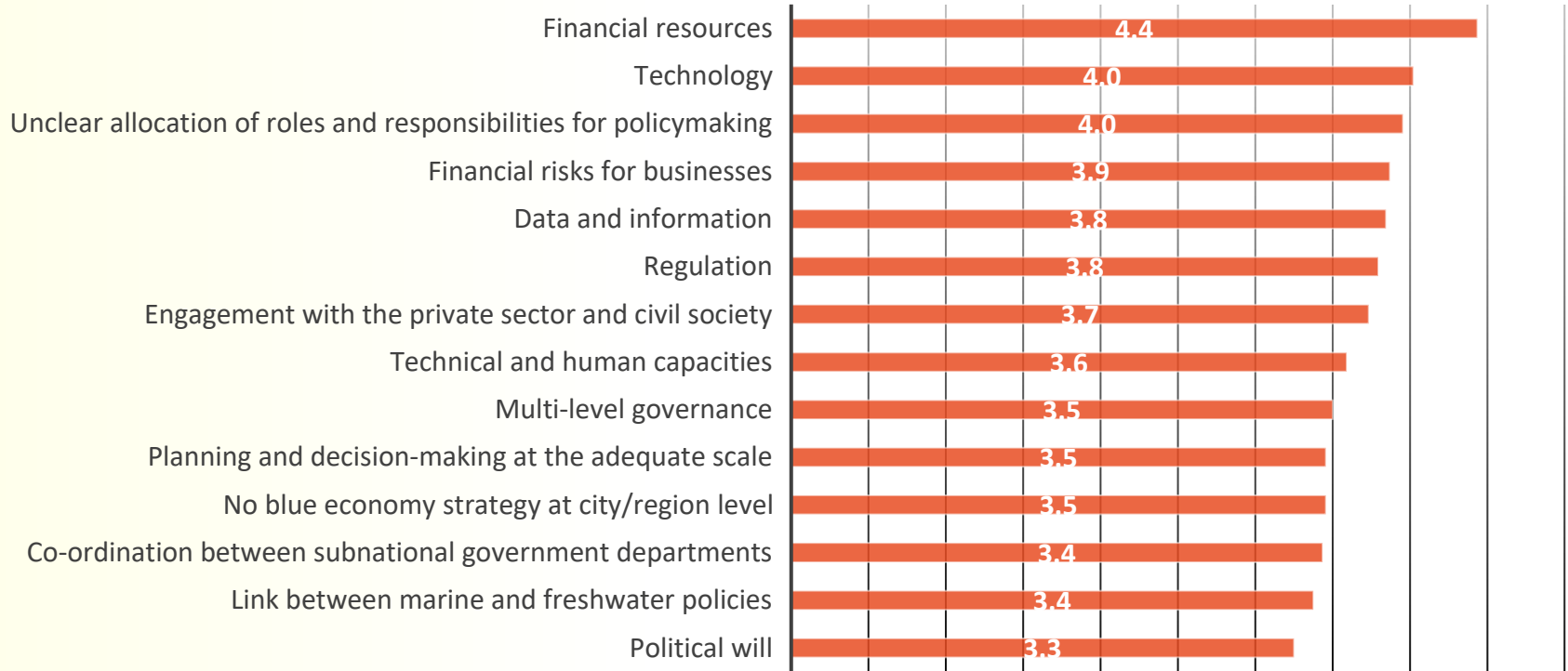


# A climate-proof blue economy should be RISC-proof





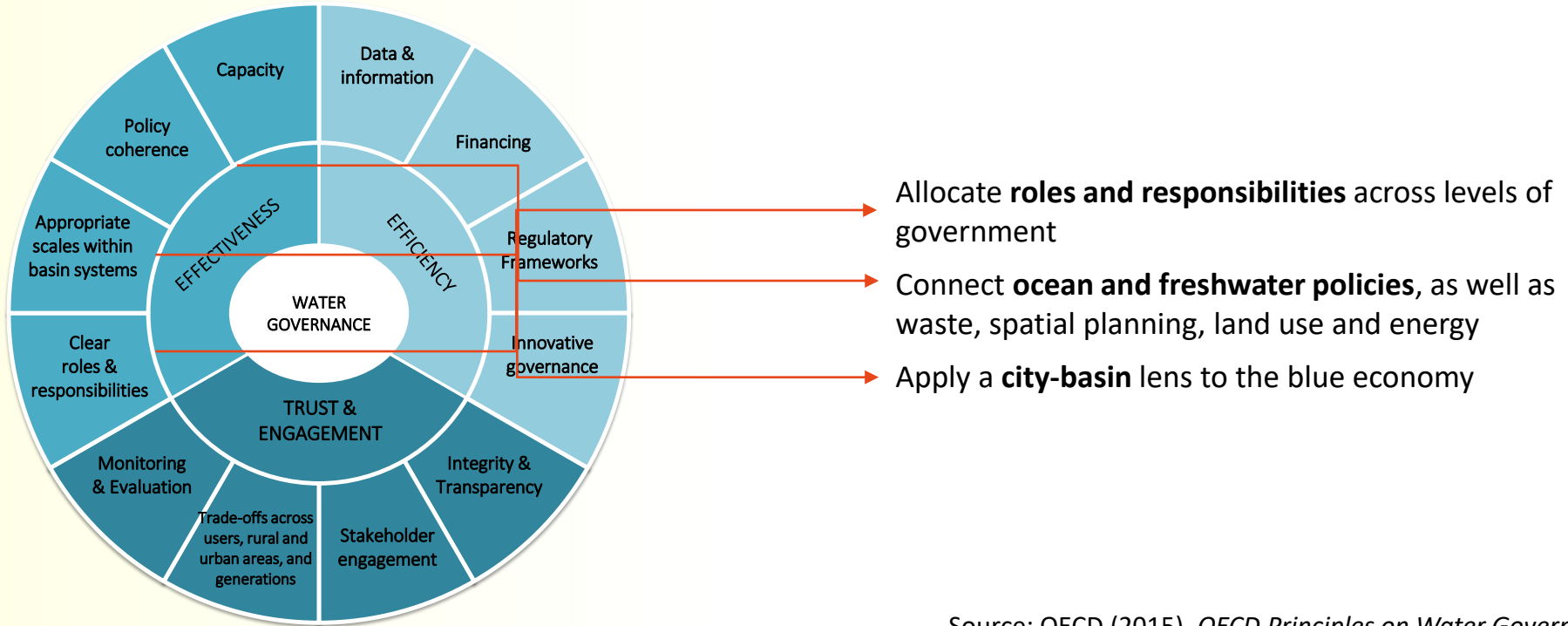
## ... But there are governance gaps



Source: *OECD Global Survey on Localising the Blue Economy*



# Good water governance can unlock the RISC-proof blue economy



Source: OECD (2015), *OECD Principles on Water Governance*

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