

# CLIMATE-PROOF CITIES IN THE MENA REGION 2024 HIGHLIGHTS

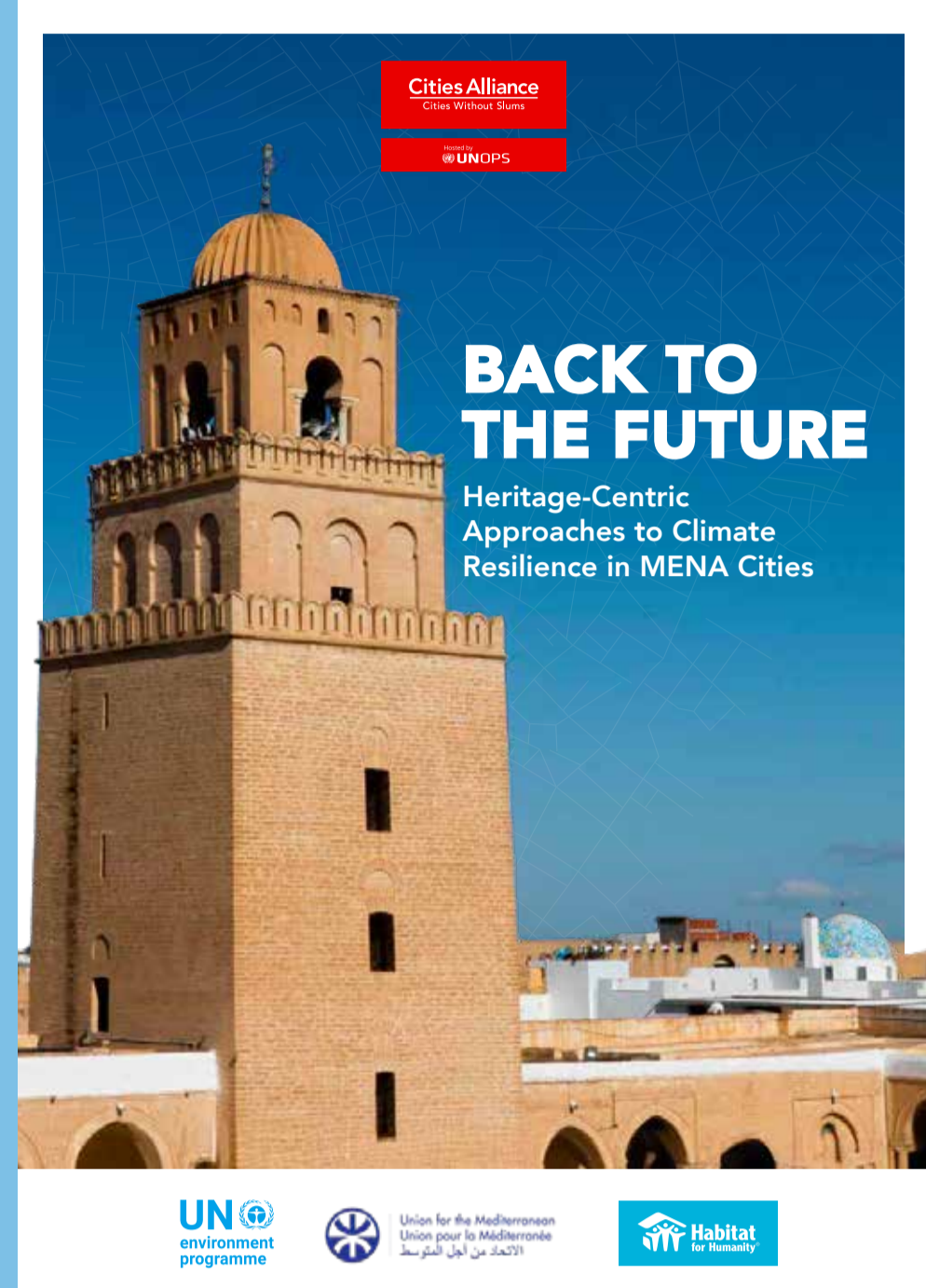
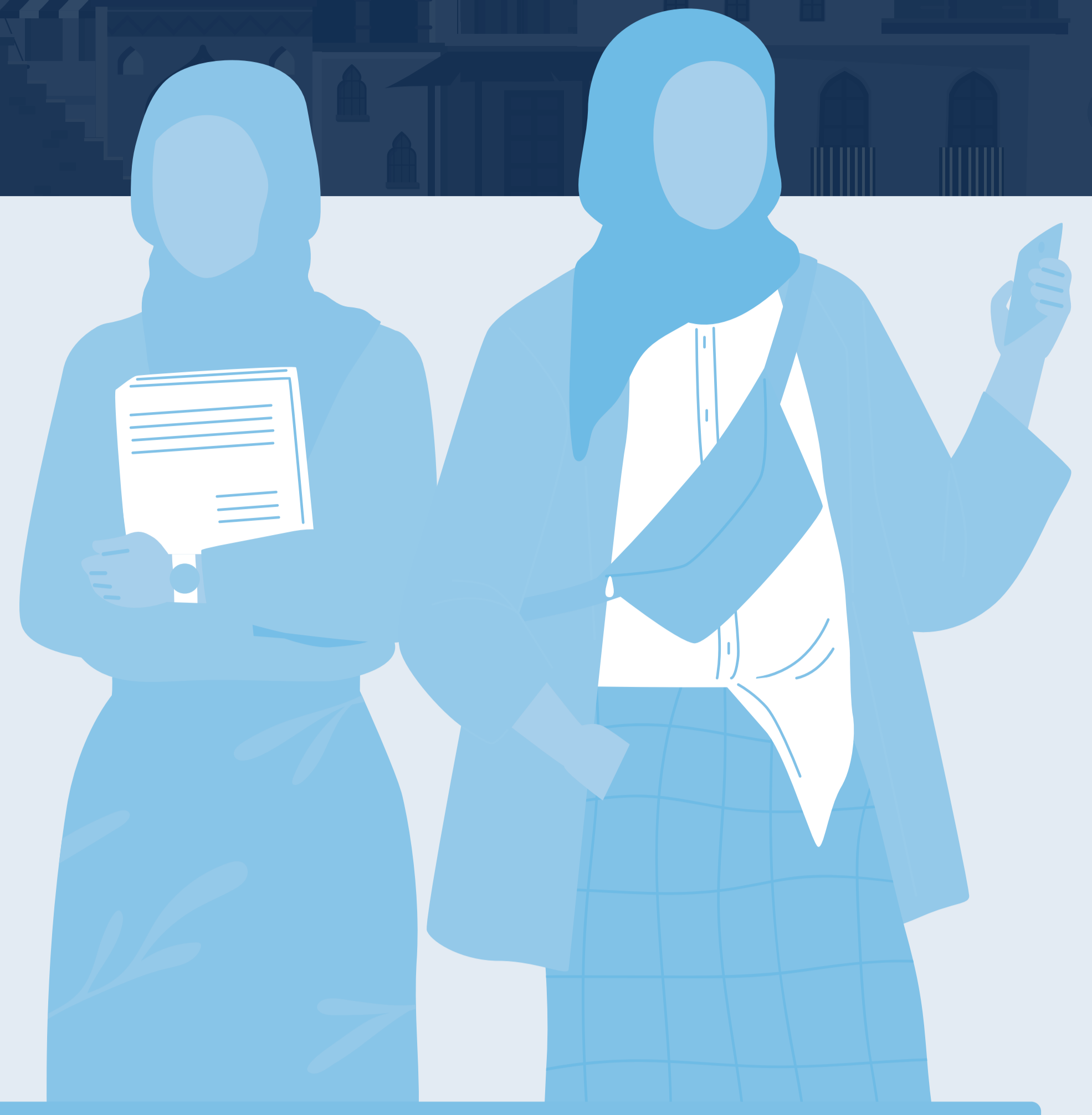
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Cities Alliance promotes the development of climate-proof cities across the Middle East and North Africa (MENA Region) focusing on inclusive solutions that support all residents.

Today, we spotlight recent Cities Alliance's regional initiatives, linking gender, climate resilience, and heritage in urban areas.



## HOW TO LEVERAGE HERITAGE FOR ACCESSIBLE AND AFFORDABLE CLIMATE ADAPTATION IN MENA CITIES?

REPORT

Read [here](#) Cities Alliance's policy report advocating for the revival of the region's heritage in architecture and urban planning to promote sustainable solutions for all — and particularly for underserved urban communities.

## FEMMEDINA'S UPDATES

### PUBLIC SPACES AS A DRIVER FOR WOMEN'S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT ACROSS TUNISIAN MEDINAS

REPORT

Check [here](#) the Femmedina reports highlighting the gender challenges in four cities in Tunisia. On the basis of this data collection, the project's implementing phase is in motion with support from the Swiss International Cooperation Agency and the Canadian Association for International Aid.

### LAUNCH OF A NEW PROGRAMME IN JORDAN: HERITAGE: WOMEN, CULTURE AND DEVELOPMENT

PROJECT

Launched in 2024, Cities Alliance's HERitage project in Jordan seeks to empower women in Madaba's heritage sector to drive urban sustainable economic growth while safeguarding urban cultural heritage.



## WORLD URBAN FORUM 2024

### INCLUSIVE RECONSTRUCTION FOR ALL

EVENT

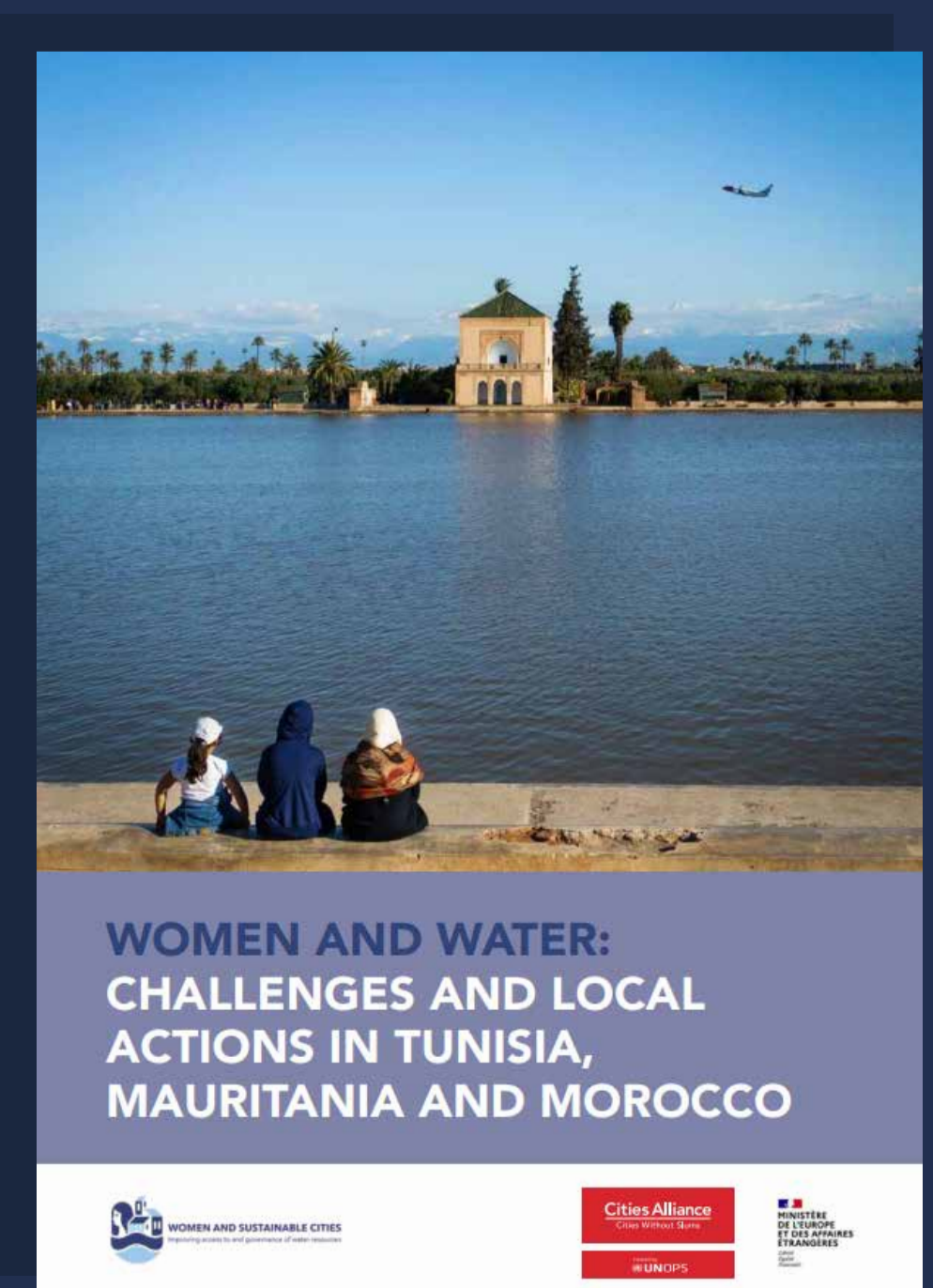
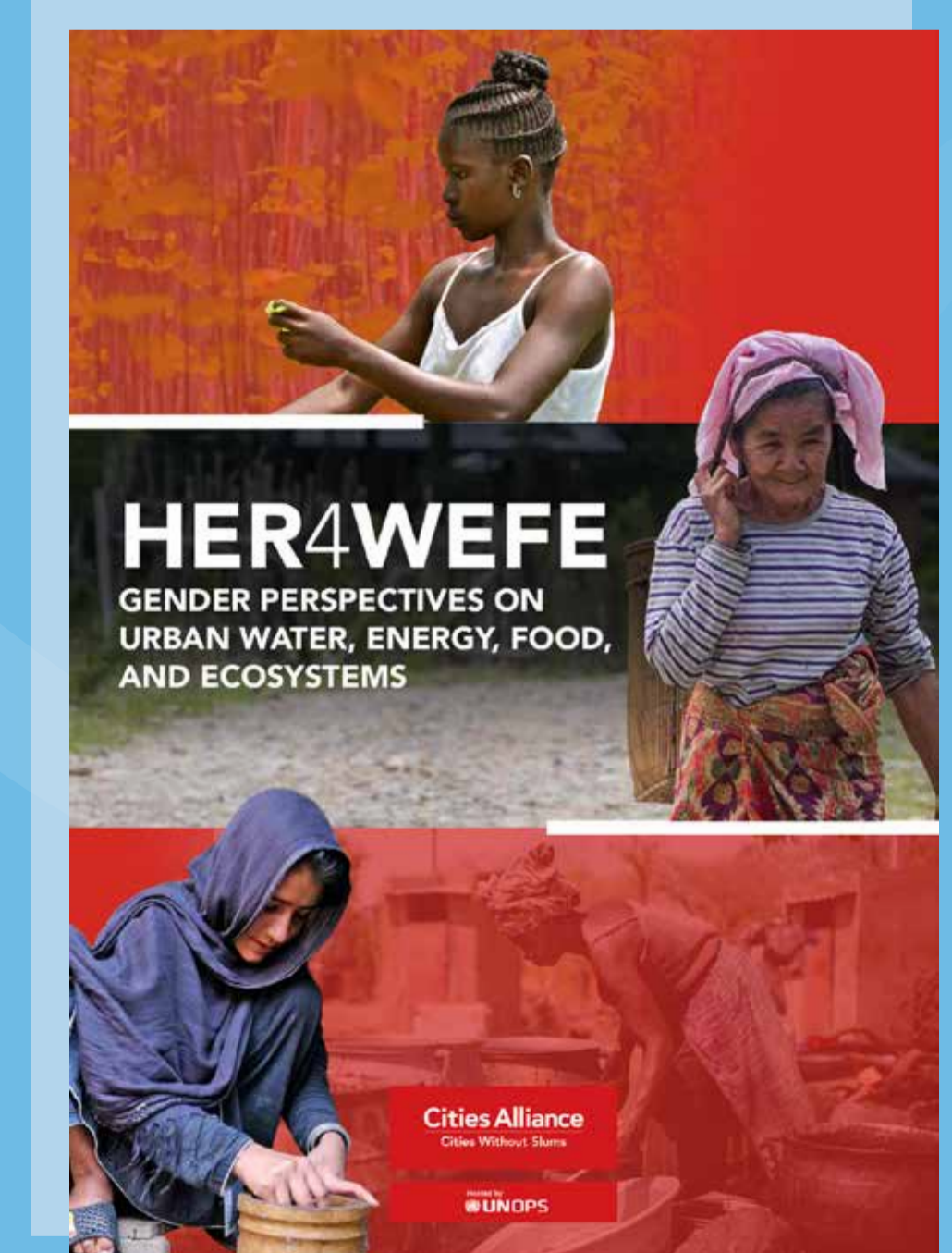
At the WUF in Cairo, Cities Alliance, in collaboration with ClimaMed, co-organised the conversation "[Empowering Palestinian Cities: Local Leadership for Inclusive Development](#)" and participated in the Enabel's event "The Reconstruction of Gaza: Critical Considerations to Rebuilding Lives". The message was clear: municipalities and the Palestinian community must be at the heart of every negotiation and reconstruction process. **The devastating impact on women must be fully recognised, and reconstruction must be truly inclusive, ensuring no one is left behind.**



### HOW CAN GENDER PERSPECTIVES IN WATER, ENERGY, FOOD AND ECOSYSTEMS STRENGTHEN URBAN RESILIENCE?

TOOLKIT

Discover [here](#) the Her4WEFE toolkit and proposing a way forward for inclusive urban development, calling for gender-sensitive integrated strategies jointly addressing the water, energy, food, and ecosystem sectors in cities.



### HOW CAN COMMUNITIES BENEFIT FROM WOMEN'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE WATER SECTOR URBAN RESILIENCE?

REPORT

Explore the [comparative assessment report](#) of the Women and Sustainable Cities programme to learn more about the challenges of women in local water management in Morocco, Tunisia and Mauritania, as well as our local actions to tackle these.

