

SLIDE 1: KEY CHALLENGES



CITY : (AVANOS / CAPPADOCIA); COUNTRY : (TÜRKİYE)



– Cappadocia is a unique cultural landscape renowned for its extraordinary volcanic rock formations, ancient cave dwellings, underground cities, and world-famous hot air balloon experiences.



Fairy Chimneys



Underground Cities



Cave Dwellings



Valleys



Pottery



Horse Riding



Hot Air Balloon

Challenge-1: Significant pressure on the transportation system due to increasing tourism demand,

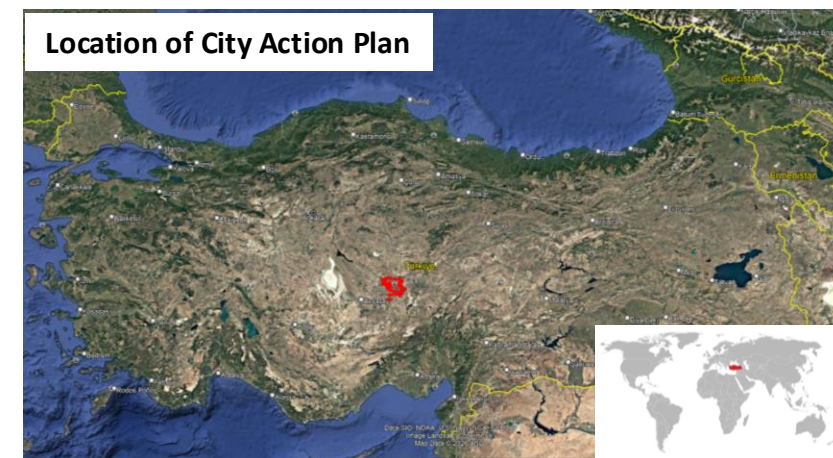
Challenge-2: Damage to natural and cultural heritage because of the prevalence of private car use,



Impact: This undermines sustainable nature tourism



Vision: To transform Cappadocia into a resilient, connected, and nature-based destination by GI Network and Integrated Urban Systems Approach



Location of City Action Plan

SLIDE 2: KEY TAKEAWAY FROM THE ACADEMY



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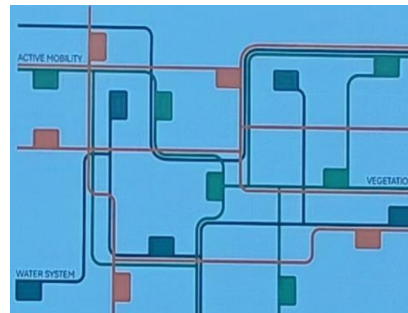
- **Establish Urban Green Infrastructure (GI) Network through Integrated Urban Systems Approach:**

A Three-Layer Network will be develop an interconnected system of natural, semi-natural, and cultural landscapes linking valleys, river corridors, agricultural lands, settlements, protected areas and active mobility.

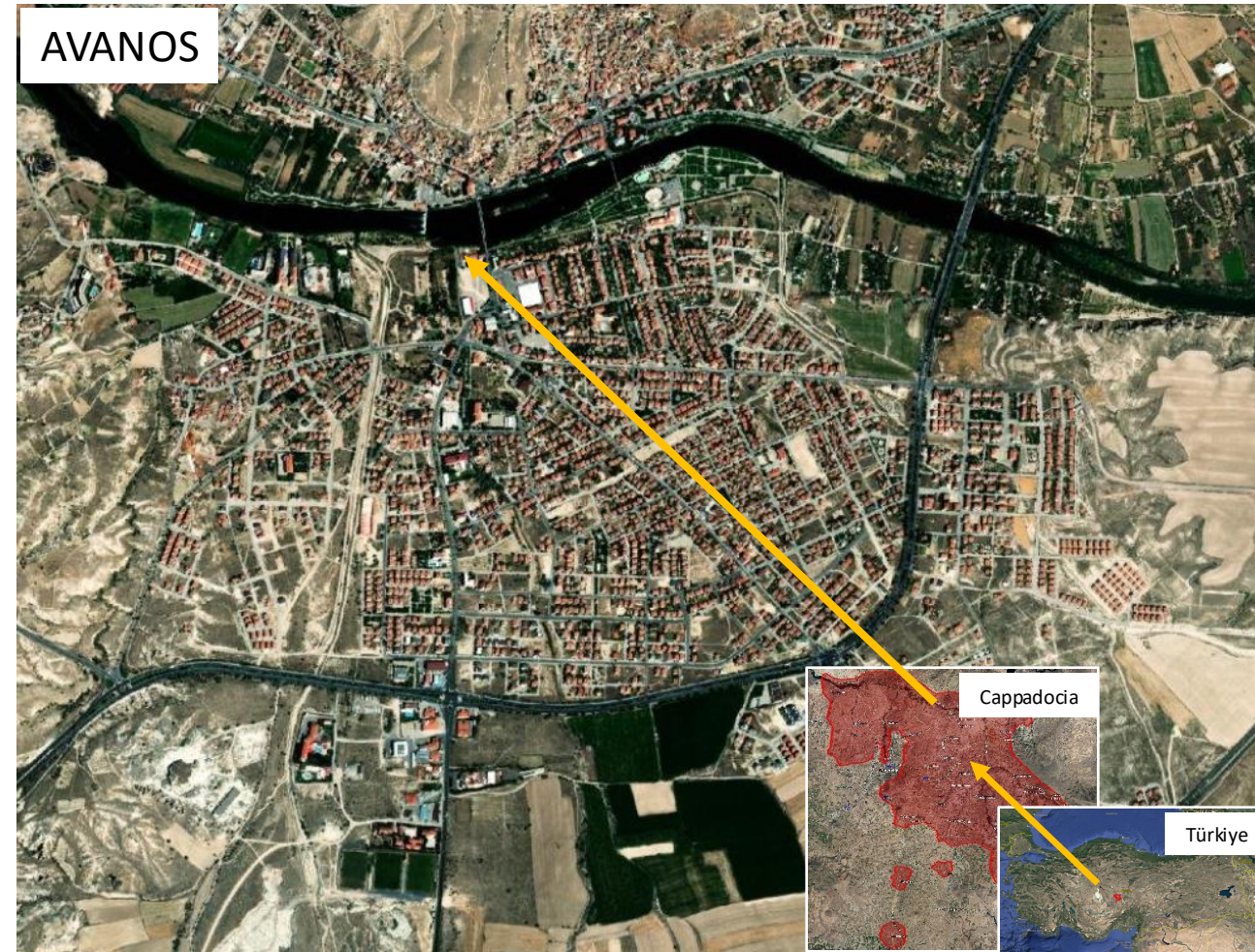
Green Layer: Vegetation

Blue Layer: Water Systems

Orange Layer: Active-mobility spaces



A Three-Layer Network



SLIDE 3: PRIORITY ACTIONS



➤ To help Avanos tackle complex challenges arising from over tourism, climate change, and environmental pressures

Priority Actions:

- Map ecological corridors, rivers, major valleys, settlements etc,
- Connect green spaces through walking and cycling routes,
- Connect cultural and natural assets
- Restore degraded habitats and erosion-prone areas,
- Improve river corridors,
- Integrate green infrastructure into local development plans,
- Enhance active mobility infrastructure,



Reduced habitat fragmentation

Reduced vehicle dependency (Lower carbon emissions)

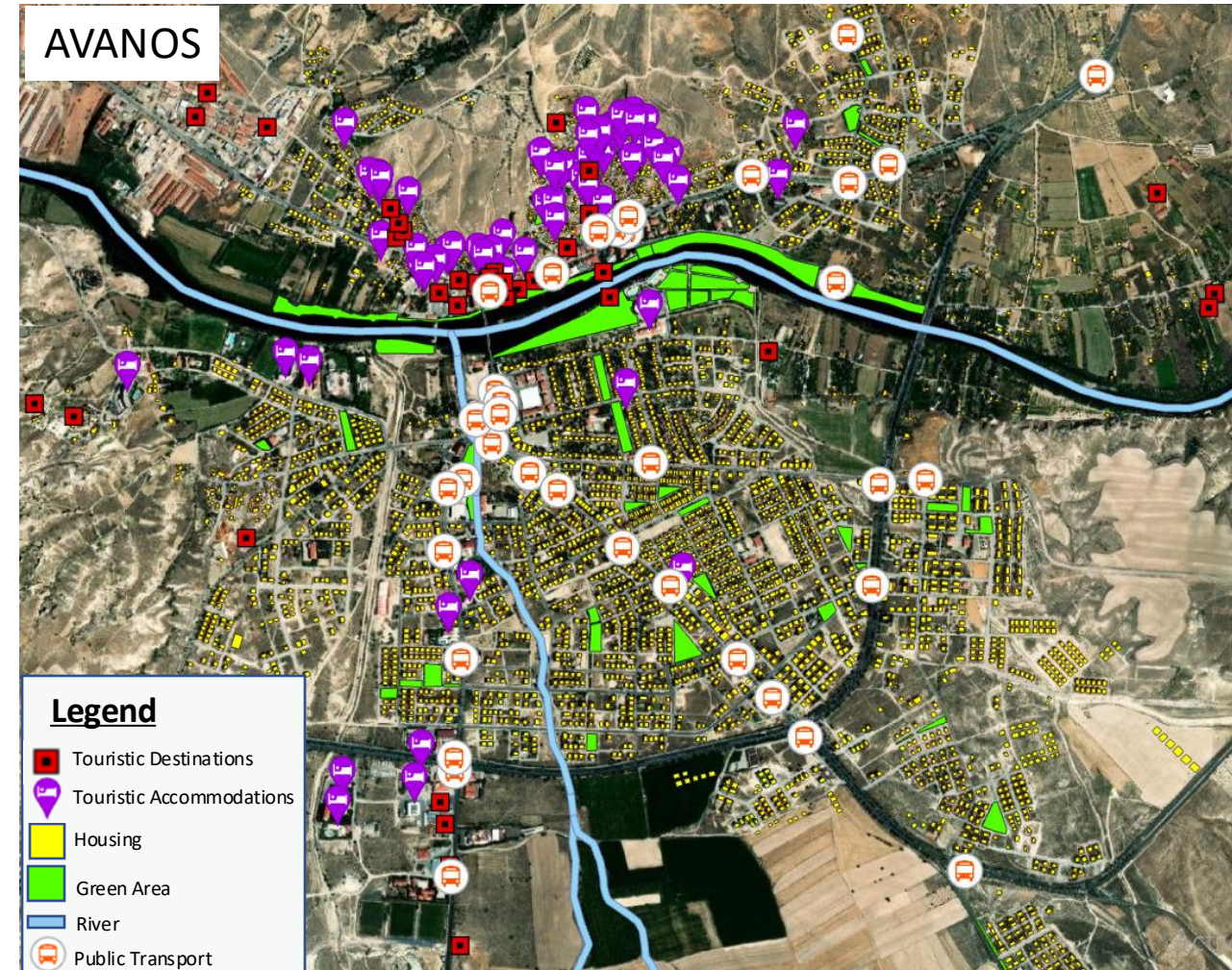
Enhanced biodiversity

Improved landscape connectivity

Reduced concentration in heavily visited sites

Increased local economic benefits

Competitive Tourist Oriented City



SLIDE 4: IMPLEMENTATION SUPORT NEED



- *Key implementation needs, partnerships, or support required to help advance the proposed actions.*

For a **City Action Plan (CAP) for Cappadocia** that pursues a **Green Infrastructure (GI) and Nature Tourism approach**, successful implementation depends on:

- Integrated Governance and Planning (Local development plans, tourism strategies etc.),
- Funding (National government grants, International funding programs (UNESCO, UNDP) etc.)
- Technical capacity (GIS expertise, GI planning specialists, Heritage conservation experts etc.),
- Community participation, and stakeholder collaboration (Municipalities, hotels, guesthouses, and tourism operators etc).