

GIZ-SUTP Newsletter

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Message from the GIZ-SUTP Team:

Dear Reader,

We hope your contribution and interest in SUTP continues to grow and we continue to reach out to you and bring you news and updates from the ever-changing and ever-exciting world of sustainable urban transport!

This newsletter starts with an article about ongoing activities for sustainable mobility in Ukrainian cities. In addition, this newsletter brings you SUTP's recent publications, activities and updates on sustainable urban transport from around the world. Please feel free to share your views and feedback with us on sutp@sutp.org

Featured Article

“Sustainable Mobility in Ukrainian Cities: Cycling ahead”

The international conference “Development of Sustainable Mobility in Ukrainian Cities: Cycling ahead” (Lviv/Ukraine, 6-7 December 2011) focused on the development of cycling in Ukrainian cities: approaches, best practices and lessons learnt.

The conference was attended by representatives of more than ten Ukrainian Cities from city councils, NGOs, city planning institutes and other stakeholders. Oleh Shmid, advisor to the Mayor of Lviv on cycling issues, presented first results of Lviv in developing cycling infrastructure both

in theory and practice: The participants enjoyed the opportunity to see the existing Lviv cycling infrastructure during a guided tour. Numerous other cities shared the experience of cycling development and promotion in their cities. One of most important issue was the reformation of existing road design norms to better consider the needs of cyclists.

Experts from Germany presented insights on the elaboration of cycling recommendations in Germany and about first results of public bike sharing systems in Eastern Europe. The team leader of “Sustainable mobility in Ukrainian Cities”, Armin Wagner (GIZ), spoke about



mobility challenges in Ukraine. Ksenia Semenova presented the Ukrainian Center for Cycling Expertise (www.velotransport.info) as future focal point for knowledge about cycling in Ukrainian cities. All materials can be downloaded [here](#).

Publications of Interest

"10 Faces"- Ten Leaders of Sustainable Urban Transport

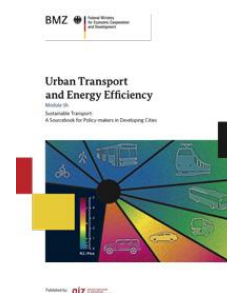
GIZ has published the booklet "10 SUT Leaders", which consists of ten decision-makers who were or/and are instrumental in implementing Sustainable Urban Transport (SUT) in their cities. They are outstanding individuals who represent the faces of best practice in SUT. The booklet includes key transport achievements and interviews of some pioneering decision-makers like Enrique Peñalosa, Janette Sadik-Kahn, Ken Livingstone and Jaime Lerner.



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More with less! New Sourcebook Module on Urban Transport and Energy Efficiency

Considering the challenges of limited oil resources, increasing energy prices, climate change, environmental pollution and health risks, it is essential to establish an efficient transport system that meets demand, but consumes as little energy as possible. The new SUTP Sourcebook Module 5h titled "Urban Transport and Energy Efficiency" serves as a navigator for decision makers and stakeholders, including local and national authorities, the private sector and non-governmental organisations.



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New! Case Study on "Negotiating the Deal to enable the first Rea Vaya bus operating company"

The latest Case Study #7 in the series of SUTP case studies, deals with the transition process from informal paratransit services to a full-scale BRT scheme in Johannesburg, South Africa. It provides a rare, detailed insight in the complicated but successful negotiations between the City of Johannesburg and representatives of more than 300 individual minibus-taxi owners. The Case Study outlines the enormous challenges in bringing together the interests of public bodies and paratransit operators faced with a radical change to their business models and possible income losses.



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GIZ publishes a new version of the "Ecomobilidade para o Brasil" Document

A new version of the document entitled "Ecomobilidade para o Brasil" has been published in March 2012. GIZ worked with 11 authors from Brazil and abroad to produce a 102-page document entitled "Ecomobilidade para o Brasil", published initially in November 2011. The document also has a preface from Luiz Carlos Bueno de Lima, National Secretary of Transport and Urban Mobility for the Brazilian Ministry of Cities. The goal of the document is to provide specific tools of ecomobility for Brazilian cities, with discussions and examples from Brazil as well as case studies from cities in the developing and developed world from which lessons can be drawn.

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Four SUTP Sourcebook modules are now available in Vietnamese!

The four modules now translated in Vietnamese language address the topics of ITS, Parking Management, Urban Road Safety and Air Quality Management.

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Spanish version of Module 4b 'Inspection & Maintenance and Roadworthiness' is now updated

A key component of a sustainable transport system is an in-use vehicle testing system. This is essential to ensure that vehicles are properly maintained, from both an environmental (emissions) and safety (roadworthiness) perspective. This module provides advice on the types of inspection and maintenance systems appropriate for a developing country and how developing cities can develop and implement an effective Inspection & Maintenance system. The module was updated in English and the updated version is now available in Spanish.



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GIZ's TRANSfer Project published the first Draft of Handbook- Navigating Transport NAMAS

Recently the TRANSfer Project published a first draft of its Handbook "Navigating Transport NAMAs". The purpose of the handbook is to provide practitioners in the transport sector around the world with practical step-by-step guidance on how to design and implement climate change mitigation actions in this complex sector. The final handbook will consist of a generic part with general information on transport NAMAs and a number of case studies which will be based on practical experiences from partner countries.

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Module on Parking Management now available in Bahasa Indonesia

Poor parking management or unregulated parking results in traffic congestion, disruption of the usability and aesthetics of urban spaces, corruption, hinderance of pedestrian access and movement, safety concerns, inequitable usage of road space, etc. Parking controls and pricing are transport demand management measures implemented

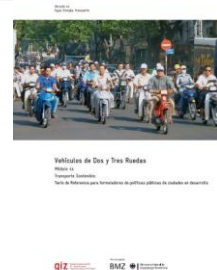


frequently by local authorities, yet little of the academic literature deals with experience of this policy, preferring instead to concentrate on the politically “more lucrative” topic of congestion charging. This module, authored by Tom Rye, and now translated in Bahasa, attempts to redress that balance a little.

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Spanish version of Module 4c ‘Two- and Three Wheelers’ is now updated

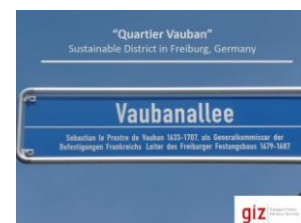
Motorcycles are a dominant form of transport in many cities, especially throughout Asia. This module firstly describes how this reliance may be unsustainable. The bulk of the module then considers the problem of emissions from two-stroke two-and three-wheelers in developing cities, emphasising the experience in Asia. It provides policy advice on how to address this problem, considering several case studies. The module was updated in English and the updated version is now available in Spanish.



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Quartier Vauban – Sustainable District in Freiburg

Quartier Vauban is a neighbourhood in Freiburg (Germany), recognised for being a highly liveable and sustainable district. This presentation offers insights into Quartier Vauban, covering three main aspects: housing, public spaces and transport. Quartier Vauban strongly promotes sustainable transport: it is a compact district (favouring short distance trips), provides facilities for non-motorised transport, reduces the incentive of owning and using a car and encourages the use of public transport to reach the city centre.



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More news...

E-learning Course on Sustainable Urban Mobility ends in March 2012

The Local Development Programme of UNITAR, in partnership with GIZ, launched a new session of the e-learning course Sustainable Urban Mobility in Developing Countries, from 31st October 2011. The online course Sustainable Urban Mobility in Developing Countries, based on the material jointly developed by GIZ and UNITAR, is designed to provide answers solutions and alternative approaches in the area of urban transport planning that target a more sustainable transport system in Developing Cities. 70 participants from all over the world joined the course. They have been participating in online discussion forums and will complete the exam and write a case study about a transport issue in their city. The course will terminate in March 2012.

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Upcoming Events:

[17.04.2012, Monterey, USA: Bicycle Leadership Conference](#)

[18.04.2012, Istanbul, Turkey: 7th UITP International Bus Conference](#)

[23.04.2012, Athens, Greece: Transport Research Arena](#)

[24.04.2012, Athens, Greece: Effective Solutions for Green Urban Transport](#)

For a complete list of events click [here](#)

News from Partners and Elsewhere

San Francisco and Medellin Win 2012 Sustainable Transport Award

Washington D.C., January 24, 2012 (Source, ITDP): San Francisco, USA and Medellin, Colombia were honoured as the winners of the 8th annual Sustainable Transport Award, which were held during the annual Transport Research Board (TRB) conference.



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SLoCaT Appeal to UNCSD focal points to incorporate sustainable mobility in Rio+20 process and outcome

On January 10 the Rio+20 Secretariat published the Zero Draft Outcome Document (ZDOD) for the June 2012 Rio+20 Conference. Notwithstanding that transport was mentioned in 1222 times in 246 submissions to the Compilation Document, on which the ZDOD is supposedly based the text of the ZDOD only mentions transport once in the whole text.

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EMBARQ launches a report on auto-rickshaws in India

The report, "Sustainable Urban Transport in India: Role of the Auto-rickshaw Sector," by Akshay Mani, Madhav Pai and Rishi Aggarwal, examines the role auto-rickshaws play in promoting public transport usage and reducing private motor vehicle trips in cities. The report also provides a policy vision for the auto-rickshaw sector that improves sustainable urban transport in India.

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Parisar publishes results of comparison of bus services in Indian cities

Parisar compared the performance of PMPML with bus service providers in five other Indian cities; BEST (Mumbai); MTC (Chennai); BMTC (Bangalore) and DTC (Delhi). In a previous study titled PMPML Report card, Parisar had quantified the performance of PMPML, which showed how PMPML scored low on all counts. The current study concludes that PMPML also performs considerably worse than other bus systems in Indian cities. The comparison was based on 3 categories: Quality of Service, Operational Efficiency and Financial Performance.

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Cities for Mobility (CfM) publishes its first e-magazine for 2012

This edition of the magazine centres its attention on good practices on intelligent transport systems and bicycle usage being implemented by CfM's partners in cities like Medellin, Ljubljana, Barcelona and Stuttgart.

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Cities to benefit from new national policies that aim to reduce traffic crashes and improve public space in Peru

Hundreds of cities in Peru stand to gain financial rewards for successfully completing two goals related to improving road safety: identifying locations with the highest risk of traffic crashes and for creating recreational bike and pedestrian zones. The 2012 Incentive Plan, introduced by the Peruvian Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF), applies to 249 Peruvian municipalities, as declared by the Supreme Decree N° 004-2012-EF.

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