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Message from GIZ-SUTP Team:

Dear Reader,

The "Sustainable Urban Transport Project" is celebrating its 10th anniversary these days. GIZ-SUTP was setup with an objective of disseminating information on principles of Sustainable Urban Transport and we are pleased to say that in these years, SUTP and associated initiatives have published over 100 publications on the same. This issue of the newsletter features SUTP's recent publications such as a joint GIZ-CAI Asia paper entitled Sustainable Urban Freight in Asia, a technical document on Transport Elasticities - Impacts on Travel Behaviour and activities like conducting a workshop on "Smart Fuel Price Regulations". We also report on the 9th annual Sustainable Urban Transport Award, for which GIZ-SUTP is part of the Steering Committee together with respected experts and organizations working internationally on sustainable transportation.

We welcome you to forward this newsletter to others that may be interested in sustainable urban transport.

*The **Sustainable Urban Transport Project (GIZ-SUTP)** aims to help developing world cities achieve their sustainable transport goals, through the dissemination of information about international experience, policy advice, training and capacity building.*

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Featured Articles

GIZ-GSI Workshop on smart fuel price regulation



In response to the growing demand for collaboration and exchange of knowledge on best practices of fuel price regulation, GIZ on behalf of BMZ and GSI organized a dedicated workshop “Smart Fuel Price Regulation” that was held in Eschborn, Germany, on 8-9 November 2012.

The workshop was set up as an informal South-South dialogue where country representatives had an opportunity to openly discuss their experience of fuel price regulation and reform..

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Mexico City winner of the 2013 Sustainable Transport Award



On January 15 Mexico City received the 2013 Sustainable Transport Award for its Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system, cycling and walking infrastructure, parking program, and revitalization of public space. The award has been accepted by Mexico's Sec de Transporte, Rufino Leon, and Sec of Environment, Tanya Muller.

Established in 2005, the Sustainable Transport Award recognizes leadership and visionary achievements in sustainable transportation and urban livability, and is presented to a city each January for achievements in the preceding year.

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Publications of Interest

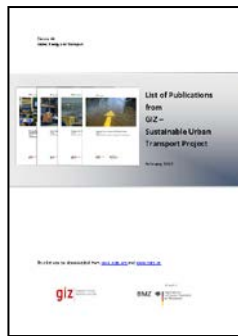
Joint publication with CAI-Asia on Sustainable Urban Freight in Asia online



Freight transport has severe negative impacts on the local air quality in many Asian cities, and contributes significantly to greenhouse gas emissions. To avoid such undesired effects and at the same time to foster economic development by assuring an efficient supply of urban agglomerations with the wide range of required goods, local and national governments in Asia need to take action now. The joint GIZ - CAI Asia publication Sustainable Urban Freight in Asia provides an overview on the current situation with regard to urban freight in Asia and outlines possible measures to be taken. It is based in part on SUTP's Module 1g Urban Freight in Developing Cities.

The new document is available for download [here](#).

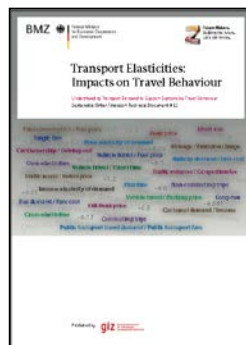
SUTP's 10th anniversary - List of publications



The Sustainable Urban Transport Project hosted by GIZ celebrates its 10th anniversary these days. One of the focus areas of SUTP has always been the dissemination of information on basic principles of sustainable urban transport and best practices from around the world. Over the years, almost 100 publications have been produced by SUTP and associated initiatives – from comprehensive Sourcebook Modules to compact Fact Sheets. The revised List of SUTP Publications provides an overview on all those publications. Have a look and find out what material is available for your specific area of interest – the list of publications is available for free download.

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Transport Elasticities: Impacts on Travel Behaviour



Understanding transport demand and transport elasticities is crucial to support sustainable travel behaviour. The new GIZ-SUTP Technical Document #11 “Transport Elasticities: Impacts on Travel Behaviour” explains the key factors affecting travel demand and its responsiveness. The aim of the paper is to help understand travel demand and provide practical orientation on how travel behaviour can be improved. The document introduces the concept of transport elasticity and provides an overview of the key transport elasticities. More sustainable travel patterns can be achieved through the implementation of effective policy measures that influence the responsiveness of travel demand to various transport options.

Download the technical document [here](#).

Updated SUTP Reading List on Financing Sustainable Urban Transport is now available



Urban transport has historically not received the attention, careful planning and financial support it deserves in order to function in a sustainable manner. The updated document on Financing Sustainable Urban Transport aims to provide policymakers with an easy-to-access list of available material on financing urban transport which can be used in their everyday work. It gives an overview of available resources that highlight the importance of financing transport in cities and show how the existing situation could be improved.

The updated English version of the reading list is available [here](#).

News from Partners and Elsewhere

Better mobility in cities - Stuttgart launched EU Project "2MOVE2"

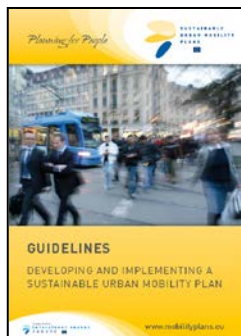


The European mobility project "2MOVE2" was launched in the German city of Stuttgart. Stuttgart and three other cities will develop together practical steps to improve urban mobility. Stuttgart itself is mainly focused on low emission traffic control, electro mobility and mobility management. Also new concepts of freight traffic will be developed and implemented in the next four years. The project has a volume of 9.1 million euros, making it one

of the largest funded projects, the city of Stuttgart has ever conducted. The project started with a two-day meeting in the end of January. The political opening of "2MOVE2" will take place this summer in Stuttgart.

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Guidelines on Developing and Implementing a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan



2011 saw the release of the "Guidelines on Developing and Implementing a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan" as a working document. These Guidelines have been used as a reference document for a series of awareness raising and training events held throughout Europe. Views obtained at those European Commission funded events will be incorporated into a revised set of Guidelines.

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Indonesia submits sustainable transport NAMA



Indonesia has submitted the "Sustainable Urban Transport Initiative" as a Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Action (NAMA), seeking support for implementation. The initiative seeks to foster sustainable urban transport in Indonesian cities through the adoption of measures to stop the increasing motorization in the country and diminish existing externalities of transportation.

During the pilot phase, the programme, which is under development, will focus on implementing low-carbon mobility plans in the cities of Medan, Manado and Batam. In this phase, activities to be carried out at the national level include: the development of a policy framework for sustainable, low-carbon urban transport; capacity building; the development of guidelines for local planning; and the monitoring, reporting and verification (MRV) of measures implemented.

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Batumi Cycling Infrastructure



With its several dozen kilometers of segregated cycling infrastructure Batumi, a Georgian city on the Black Sea coast, seems to be cyclists' paradise of the Caucasus: very visible bike tracks along the coast and throughout the city center,

bike-sharing stations installed in multiple locations. It is a compact city with cycling-friendly landscape and climate. The city of Batumi started to invest in cycling infrastructure together with other grand projects to make this location an attractive and comfortable summer resort.

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World Bank president and Mayor of New York discuss challenges in Urban Transportation



On January 18th, World Bank President Jim Yong Kim and New York City Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg engaged in a live streamed conversation about shaping the future of urban transportation. The event was hosted by the World Bank and EMBARQ and the session was part of the 10th annual Transforming Transportation conference. The two leaders discussed the current trends in urban transport, as well as the challenges that cities facing with respect to governance and

financing of urban transport projects. Both leaders noted that sustainable transport goes beyond moving vehicles and infrastructure, and furthermore agreed that any choices city leaders make today, particularly in transportation, will lock them into urban development patterns for decades to come.

The discussion was moderated by Zanny Minton Beddoes, an editor at The Economist, and closed by WRI's president, Dr. Andrew Steer. Senior decision makers and transport experts from around the world attended the event that was also broadcasted on live stream.

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Upcoming Events

- [11.03.2013, UITP Sustainable Development Conference: Which Sustainable Mobility for a Europe in Crisis, Nantes, France](#)
- [19.03.2013, IRF Regional Conference: North Africa-Mediterranean, Marrakech, Morocco](#)
- [28.03.2013, ICSUTE 2013: International Conference on Sustainable Urban Transport and Environment, Madrid, Spain](#)
- [08.04.2013, CLAPTU Guayaquil 2013 XVII, Guayaquil, Ecuador](#)
- [17.04.2013, 7th European Conference on Sustainable Cities and Towns, Geneva, Switzerland](#)

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

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