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Message from GIZ-SUTP Team:

Dear Reader,

GIZ-SUTP team wishes you a very Happy New Year'2014. This issue of the newsletter provides an update on recently concluded GIZ training activities and features information on GIZ's participation in the UMI'13 conference (India), UNESCAP Regional Expert Group Meeting (Republic of Korea) and Forum of Asian Ministers of Transport (Thailand).

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

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Featured Articles

Workshop with Beijing Municipal Committee of Transport to discuss "Opportunities and Challenges for Beijing Transport Development"



GIZ organised an international exchange workshop between Beijing's Transport Authorities and international experts on an intended white paper titled "Opportunities and Challenges for Beijing Transport Development".

The White Paper, issued by Beijing Municipal Committee of Transport (BMCT) aims to cover the new challenges emerging from the continuous growth of Beijing city and the associated growth in travel demand. During the meeting BTRC gave a presentation about the main challenges addressed in the white paper.

The first topic addressed at the workshop was the road usage rate. Mr Zhou Ling, of BTRCs Strategy Department, stressed that Beijing not only has a higher vehicle ownership in its central areas than most other cities worldwide, but its car kilometers travelled is more than twice than cities such as Tokyo. Most striking fact is that 44% of the overall trips are below 5 kilometers and could therefore be easily replaced by cycling or public transport. That could also provide relief for the cities difficult parking situation. Currently in Beijing, parking takes more space per capita (30-40m²) than the average living space per capita (28m²). The white paper displays Beijing's means to achieve an urban and economic development by further development and integration of public transport. A better interlinking of transport modes and stations, as well as an acceleration and enhancement to the existing capacity of public transport is addressed in the policy paper.

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Training course on Sustainable Transport in Dakar, Senegal



GIZ in conjunction with [SSATP](#), delivered a training course focusing on Sustainable Urban Transport as a side event to the SSATPs 2013 Annual Meeting. The one day course had 29 participants from 12 African countries and presented the overarching concept of sustainable transport, as well as specific details of public transport planning and non-motorized transport.

Training on Sustainable Low Carbon Transport



Today, the transport sector is the fastest growing source of emissions, making low carbon transport development a central concern for a sustainable future worldwide. Hosted by the Ministry of Transport and the National Development and Reform Commission, GIZ and its implementation partner, China Urban Sustainable Transport Research Centre (CUSTReC), organised a three day training on sustainable low carbon transport, in which international experts shared their experiences. It directly addressed the transport officials of municipalities authorities and gave them a broad introduction in planning an integrated and less carbon intensive transport system.

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GIZ participates in the 6th Urban Mobility India Conference and Expo 2013, New Delhi, India



The 6th Urban Mobility India (UMI) Conference and Expo, an annual event organized by the Institute of Urban Transport (India) under the aegis of the Ministry of Urban Development (MoUD), Government of India, was held between 3rd-6th Dec, 2013. More than 1700 transport professionals from various parts of India, and around the world participated in this event. The objective of UMI is to bring together urban transport professionals and officials in India as well as international experts to enable them to share views and to share their experiences.

During this forum, Mr. Manfred Breithaupt, Director, GIZ-SUTP presented "Parking Policies – International Perspective" during the technical session organized to discuss "Parking Challenges" in India. Dr. Dominik Schmid, Urban Transport Advisor, GIZ-SUTP presented on "Implementing Transport Demand Management Measures" during the technical session on "Travel Demand Management Measures". In addition, as an external jury member both Mr.

Manfred and Dr. Dominik evaluated the quality of research done by students from various Indian Universities.

Details of the forum and its agenda can be found [here](#).

Regional Training on Sustainable Transport, Bus Improvement and BRT in Amman



Cities in the Middle East and North African (MENA) region are facing considerable challenges in meeting the mobility demands of their citizens. Often, municipal urban transport systems within this region are not able to meet the requirements in terms of capacity, quality and reliability and are under immense pressure from informal operators. Further, the integration of various public transport modes and their integration with walking and cycling are not meeting the expectations of the public. As public transport fails to be attractive, people are switching to private cars or are using informal services – resulting in more accidents, air pollution and increasing costs for private and public households and overall less quality of life and greater inequity.

The German International Cooperation (GIZ) programme on “Cooperation with Arab Donors” (CAD), MENA and the project “Transport Policy Advisory Services” in cooperation with the Islamic Development Bank Group (IDB) jointly organized the regional training on “Sustainable Transport, Bus Improvement and Bus Rapid Transit” which was attended by 30 representatives from 9 different countries of the MENA region. The training was held from 2nd to the 3rd of December 2013. The participants included various governmental ministries and departments, international organizations and academic institutions from Jordan, Tunisia, Iraq, Egypt, Lebanon, Yemen, Morocco, Palestine and Saudi Arabia.

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GIZ participates in UNESCAP Regional Expert Group Meeting



The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) hosted the Regional Expert Group Meeting on Policy Options for Sustainable Transport Development on 27th-29th November 2013 in Incheon, Republic of Korea. Government representatives and transport experts from about 20 countries and non-governmental organizations participated in the event. GIZ contributed in two sessions held on the topic of sustainable urban transport and sustainable ports. For the former, the focus was on the combination of smart land-use and transport planning showcased by the car-free/car-reduced housing areas in Tübingen and Freiburg, Germany. Comprehensive overviews on these schemes have been published by GIZ-SUTP and are available for download [here](#) and [here](#). The second presentation introduced the project [Sustainable Port Development](#) in the ASEAN region implemented by GIZ on behalf of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). The event concluded with a study tour to the Ansan Traffic Control Center, the Seoul-Hannam “BRT light” bus line and a pedestrian and recreational area in downtown Seoul, which had been established by tearing down an elevated inner-urban highway.

Related SUTP case studies can be found [here](#).

GIZ participates in the Second Session of the Forum of Asian Ministers of Transport, Bangkok, Thailand



The Second Session of the Forum of Asian Ministers of Transport was held on 4th-8th November 2013 at the United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok. The Forum discussed various regional transport issues including those relating to regional transport networks, transport facilitation and logistics, financing options for regional infrastructure development, sustainable and inclusive transport. During this forum, GIZ contributed in two events. Mr. Roland Haas, Programme Director, GIZ Thailand presented “GIZ Transport and Environment Initiatives in the ASEAN Region – Co-Benefits through Local and Global Impacts”. Additionally, Mr. Manfred Breithaupt, Director, GIZ-SUTP was one of the panelist chairing “Special Session on Targets and Indicators for a Possible Transport Sustainable Development Goal” along with Mr. Peter O’Neill, Chief, TPDS, UNESCAP and Mr. Choudhury Rudra Charan Mohanty, Environment Programme Coordinator, UNCRD.

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Training Course on “Enhancing management capacity in urban and public transport” in Hanoi, Vietnam



GIZ-SUTP in partnership with Ministry of Transport, Govt. of Vietnam, Institute of Sustainable Urban Development and University of Transport and Communications, Hanoi, Vietnam successfully delivered a two-day training course in English (translated into Vietnamese) on “Enhancing management capacity in urban and public transport” on 11th-12th November, 2013 in Hanoi, Vietnam. The training course was attended by 60 participants, many of whom were official representatives of municipal authorities like Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh, Hải Dương, Cần Thơ, Hải Phòng etc.

The aim of the training course was to help local transport authorities to manage and operate their transport systems towards sustainable transport status. The course familiarized the participants with contemporary approaches regarding elements of sustainable urban transport, importance of integrated public transport systems, marketing and financing strategies for public transport along with non-motorized transport systems, transport demand management and parking management.

Full information on the training course can be found [here](#).

Publications of Interest

10 principles of Sustainable Urban Transport



Sustainable transport needs comprehensive approaches: Following 10 principles of sustainable urban transport and all the corresponding measures we (GIZ) designed a new info graphic and made a PREZI out of it. Have a look on how the Avoid-Shift-Improve approach is now presented in new formats.

To watch the full presentation please click [here](#).

Bridging the Gap publishes ‘Transport Readiness for Climate Finance

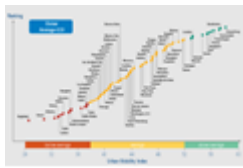


A new GIZ-BtG publication titled ‘Transport Readiness for Climate Finance – A framework to access climate finance in the transport sector’ has been released. The publication aims to highlight the existing funds and opportunities, to provide a clear understanding on how to have access to these climate finance flows and to catalogue what is needed in terms of performance tracking.

The published document can be downloaded from [here](#).

News from Partners and Elsewhere

The Future of Urban Mobility Version 2.0



In the year 2010 the Global Management Consultancy Arthur D. Little launched its "Future of Urban Mobility" lab and released its first global study highlighting the mobility challenges cities face on a worldwide basis in 2011. This report introduced the first Arthur D. Little Urban Mobility Index, which assessed the mobility maturity and performance of 66 cities

worldwide, and triggered high interest within the mobility industry and in the media on a global scale.

The second version of the “Future of Urban Mobility” study has been released now, including an updated version of the Urban Mobility Index, with an extended scope of 84 cities worldwide as well as an extended set of criteria. The index indicates that most cities are still badly equipped to cope with the challenges ahead indicating there is still significant potential for improvement. Arthur D. Little highlights what is holding cities back and together with its partner International Association of Public Transport (UITP) – the International Association of Public Transport – identifies three strategic directions for cities to better shape the future of urban mobility. The study also describes twenty five imperatives to consider when defining sustainable urban mobility policies and case studies of cities demonstrating best practice.

For more information please click [here](#).

European Workshop on Clean Bus Procurement, Bremen



Many European cities have ambitious emission and noise reduction targets. For meeting these objectives, urban bus fleets will play an important role. All-electric battery and trolley buses produce no local air pollution and are very silent, while diesel-electric hybrid propulsion and latest EURO 6 emission standards have considerably improved the

ecological and economic performance of conventional buses.

To discuss perspectives of different bus technology options and practical experiences, about 80 participants from various transport companies, local administrations, universities and bus producers from all over Europe gathered in the city of Bremen on 11th-12th December. The workshop was jointly organised by ICLEI and the Senate of Bremen, Germany.

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Sustainable Urban Transport Award 2014

The 10th annual Sustainable Urban Transport Award will be held in Washington D.C. on 14th January 2014. ITDP, together with the Sustainable Transport Award Committee, had announced the four city finalists for the 2014 Sustainable Transport Award (STA): Buenos Aires, (Argentina); Indore (India); Lanzhou (China) and Suwon (South Korea). The winner will be selected based on four characteristics: increasing mobility for residents, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution from transportation, improving safety, and increasing access for cyclists and pedestrians.



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Transport Day 2013 Concludes with Warsaw Statement on Low Carbon Transport



The Transport Day held on 17th November 2013, took place alongside the Warsaw Climate Change Conference and was supported by the Bridging the Gap Initiative (BtG) and the Joint Convener Partnership on Sustainable Low Carbon Transport (SLoCaT), with a focus on rethinking transport and climate change. The full-day event began with a panel discussion on sustainable transport as a key building block of sustainable low-carbon development. The plenary panel was composed of representatives from the inter alia, Indonesia Transportation Society, African Development Bank, Women's Environment & Development Organization, International Union of Railways, EMBARQ and German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature, Conservation and Nuclear Safety.

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Upcoming Events

- [12.01.2014, 2014 TRB 93rd Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., USA](#)
- [16.01.2014, Transforming Transportation 2014, Washington D.C., USA](#)

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

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