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Message from GIZ-SUTP Team:

Dear Readers,

This issue of the newsletter contains information about our new GIZ-SUTP Webinar Series, recently concluded training courses and newly released publications.

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

Training on “Improvement of Bus Transport and Bus Rapid Transit” in Istanbul, Turkey



Jointly organized by the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), the International Road Transport Union (IRU) and Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), the training on “Improvement of Bus Transport and Bus Rapid Transit” attracted 32 decision-makers from 13 Middle East and Central Asian countries. The workshop was held from 24th-26th of April in Istanbul, Turkey.

The participants included representatives from various governmental ministries and departments, international organizations and public transport providers from Albania, Azerbaijan, Iran, Lebanon, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Turkmenistan, Turkey, Uzbekistan and Yemen.

The workshop, supported by EMBARQ Turkey, enabled transport policy decision-makers, planners and public transport companies to share knowledge on local and international approaches and experiences in improving bus services and in developing BRT systems, and to discover one of the most successful BRT systems in the world, the Metrobus.

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GIZ-SUTP's Upcoming Webinar on "Public Transport and Non-motorised Transport Integration" on 14th May'2014



As part of the new SUTP webinar series, GIZ-SUTP cordially invites you to join our 1st webinar on 14th May, 2014. The session will focus on the integration of walking, cycling and public transportation systems. It will discuss the rationale, options and physical and operational characteristics of integrating non-motorized transport to public transport systems by highlighting examples from BRT systems and metro systems in the world. It will also present the impacts of some of these experiences and guidelines. The webinar will be conducted by Carlosfelipe Pardo, Despacio Executive Director and GIZ consultant.

The format addresses local decision-makers and planners, representatives from all levels of government, and agencies interested in learning about the development of sustainable urban mobility and/or sharing their experiences.

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Orientation Workshop on "Towards Effective Parking Management for a Better Kathmandu" in Kathmandu, Nepal



GIZ-SUTP in partnership with UN-Habitat, Clean Energy Nepal (CEN) and Kathmandu Metropolitan City (KMC) successfully delivered a two-day training course in English entitled "Towards Effective Parking Management for a Better Kathmandu" on 24th -25th March, 2014 in Kathmandu, Nepal. The aim of the two-day workshop was to expand the participant's understanding on parking management and encourage stakeholders to think differently about parking and its possibilities.

Citing the existing parking management issues faced by Kathmandu city, Dr. Paul Barter, an international parking expert, stressed the importance of better management of on-street parking as key to effectively managing off-street parking space. He also presented different tools and methods that could be used to manage both on-street and off-street parking in the cities of Nepal.

The event was attended by 35 participants from various government agencies, including the local City Governments, Department of Transport Management, Institute of Engineering (IOE)/Transport Engineering, and the Department of Roads.

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

Training Course on "Urban Development and Urban Transport" at World Urban Forum 7, Medellin, Colombia



Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), together with ICLEI-EcoMobility and Despacio held a training course titled "Urban Development and Urban Transport" on 06th April 2014 at the recently concluded World Urban Forum 7 held at Medellin, Colombia.

The training course focused on the necessity of having an efficient urban transport system in place for an effective urban development. Topics such as integrated mobility, active transport and transit-oriented development were discussed. In addition to lectures, participants were actively involved in the exercises that encouraged them to implement what has been presented to real life situations. GIZ was actively involved in 9 out of approximately 30 transport translated related workshops, with presentations, by providing moderation and by supporting panel discussions.

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

PUBLICATIONS OF INTEREST

GIZ's new travel guide "Discover Berlin by sustainable transport"



Berlin is now once more a world-class metropolis – it is regarded nationally and internationally as a centre for politics, culture, art, media, science and sport. It is a major European transport hub and is continuing to grow in importance. People are drawn to Berlin for all sorts of reasons, from its quirky reputation and vibrant night life to its diverse range of old and new architecture and the high quality of life it offers. Our new travel guide “Discover Berlin by sustainable transport” leads you from the new main train station to the transport hub of Alexanderplatz, to the redeveloped Potsdamer Platz with its high quality architecture before ending the tour in the trendy borough of Kreuzberg. Along the way, you will be able to experience different modes of transport, including the bicycle sharing system. The detour sections will describe the transportation system in general, and present the city’s bicycle sharing system and the low emission zone system.

Full report can be downloaded from [here](#).

Quick access to GIZ Transport & Mobility sources



The GIZ Transport & Mobility Compass provides quick access to GIZ-SUTP's comprehensive work in the field of sustainable transport. Publications and further knowledge sources, the sustainable urban transport picture collection, project & network websites, facebook page, Newsletters, Youtube and Twitter Channels are just one click away.

The entire document can be accessed [here](#).

DEKRA's deals with "Urban Mobility" through its latest Road Safety 2014 report



“Vision zero” – that’s what transport experts call the goal of zero traffic accident-related fatalities. The number of traffic fatalities in Europe has been falling for several years now. 100 cities in Germany with a population of more than 50,000 have achieved zero traffic fatalities in at least one of the past four years – four cities even had no traffic fatalities since 2009 at all. For cities with a population of more than 200,000 three have achieved “vision zero” in one of the recent years. Still, the risk of accidents remains particularly high in urban areas with all traffic participants sharing a dense space. Urban accidents accounted for almost three quarters of all accidents in Germany in 2012, causing more than 1,000 deaths. Despite recent positive developments, the numbers illustrate that there still is a long way to go.

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NEWS FROM PARTNERS AND ELSEWHERE

Key messages for transport from the IPCC’s Fifth Assessment Report



The Working Group III contribution to the IPCC’s Fifth Assessment Report was launched recently in Berlin and brings together the current scientific knowledge on mitigating climate change. The review by 235 Authors from 58 countries of the current scientific knowledge over the last four years shows that limiting global warming to 2 degrees Celsius is still feasible, if strong mitigation actions are implemented now and that these actions are likely to cost only about 0.06 of Global GDP and are likely to generate substantial socio-economic co-benefits.

The transport sector plays an important role in global climate change mitigation strategies as it currently accounts for about 23% of global energy related greenhouse gas emissions is set to double by 2050 if current trends persist.

However the mitigation potential has been found to be higher than previously reported, which is stated in the Summary for Policy Makers as:

"Technical and behavioural mitigation measures for all transport modes, plus new infrastructure and urban redevelopment investments, could reduce final energy demand in 2050 by around 40% below the baseline".

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WHO: 7 million premature deaths annually linked to air pollution



New estimates released by WHO report that in 2012 around 7 million people died - one in eight of total global deaths – as a result of air pollution exposure. This finding more than doubles previous estimates and confirms that air pollution is now the world's largest single environmental health risk.

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Workshop on “Sustainable Transport in Gurgaon, India- What next?”



EMBARQ India, Gurgaon Police and Times of India co-hosted a workshop on "Sustainable Transportation in Gurgaon – What Next?" on 14th March, 2014 at Gurgaon, India. The Raahgiri Day movement, the first car free day event in India, has been a huge success with over 250,000 people participating in the last 16 events which started from 17th November 2013. The car free day is held every Sunday. The Raahgiri Day movement has clearly demonstrated that people are willing to walk and cycle, provided they get safe infrastructure.

The main objective of this workshop was to address the challenges that the city of Gurgaon (suburb of New Delhi) faces with regard to adequate provision of safe infrastructure for supporting sustainable transportation. Mr. Gil Penelosa, Ex Transport Commissioner – Bogota, was the key note speaker at the workshop where he shared with the participants his international experience of working in various cities around the world on overcoming challenges towards implementing sustainable transportation.

For full interview of Gil Penelosa please click [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- [19.05.2014, TUM 2014 - Sustainable Mobility in Metropolitan Regions, Munich, Germany](#)
 - [21.05.2014, International Transport Forum Summit 2014, Leipzig, Germany](#)
 - [27.05.2014, Velo-City Global 2014, Adelaide, Australia](#)
 - [01.06.2014, 7th International Congress - Cities for Mobility, Stuttgart, Germany](#)
 - [09.06.2014, Transports Publics 2014, Paris, France](#)
 - [16.06.2014, 9th Asia Clean Energy Forum 2014, Manila, Philippines](#)
 - [23.06.2014, EU Sustainable Energy Week 2014, Brussels, Belgium](#)
 - [24.06.2014, World Symposium on Transport and Land Use Research 2014, Delft, Netherlands](#)
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