

TRANSfer News

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Upcoming

TRANSfer will raise transport issues at Bonn Climate Conference

The TRANSfer project will be present in Bonn, organizing and contributing to several events and discussions on recent developments in the transport sector.

- TRANSfer co-organises a **BtG-SLoCaT Side Event “Transport Tackles Climate Change” to be held on Thursday, 04 June 2015** from 15:00 to 16:30. Countries are getting prepared to determine their INDCs before COP21. What share will the transport sector contribute in these commitments? What role can it play in the efforts of countries and cities to reduce their Greenhouse-Gas Emissions? How can implementation of mitigation action in transport be accelerated and up-scaled in order to tap the vast mitigation potential of this sector? These are some of the issues to be discussed among the audience and the panelists who are representatives from national governments, cities, international financing institutions, development cooperation organizations, research institutes, private sector organizations and NGOs. At this event, TRANSfer will share recently developed tools to support upscaling of mitigation measures and discuss how implementation can be accelerated.
- On **01 June, the UNFCCC secretariat will organize the NAMA Partnership Side Event** for enhanced support to developing countries. GIZ will share tools to facilitate MRV in the transport sector, including a reference document on Transport MRV and MRV blueprints on different types of transport measures. In addition, cross-sectoral findings on climate finance will be shared, including the development and implementation of financial concepts for NAMAs and conceptual guidance including a training module on financing of NAMAs.

Publications

10 principles for sustainable urban transport – now available in Spanish

Based on the approach “avoid-shift-improve”, the GIZ urban mobility team has designed a vibrant infographic on **10 principles for sustainable urban transport**. It’s now available as well in Spanish!

Download: Have a look at the [infographic!](#)

Now available in Indonesian language: NAMA SUTRI Full Concept Document

Available in Indonesian language - The **SUTRI NAMA Full Concept Document** offers a comprehensive overview of the NAMA and information on the mitigation measures, MRV and financing. The Ministry of Transportation Indonesia (MoT) and the National Development Planning Agency (Bappenas) prepared the SUTRI NAMA Full Concept Document in cooperation with the GIZ TRANSfer project.

Download: [NAMA SUTRI Full Concept Document – Indonesian](#)

International Learning and UNFCCC Process

3rd meeting of the International MRV Expert Group in Bonn

How to refine and scale up MRV blueprints was one of the main questions during the **3rd meeting of the international MRV expert group** on March 20th 2015. The MRV expert group of the TRANSfer project was established in 2014 with the aim to further the understanding of Measurement, Reporting and Verification (MRV) of transport NAMAs and to support the development of MRV methodologies and MRV guidance for transport activities.

The workshop's thematic focus discussed drafts of MRV blueprints and how they can support low carbon sustainable transport interventions best. The workshop based on MRV blueprints for transport NAMAs that were conceptualised as detailed step-by-step documentations of MRV methodologies for specific transport NAMAs, each exemplified by a case study.

[Click here](#) for the complete report.

SUMP NAMA Initiative meeting in Eschborn

On April 15th, a meeting between CODATU, CEREMA, AFD and GIZ took place in Eschborn to discuss the **SUMP NAMA Initiative**. The Federal French Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy was participating via phone. The initiative has the objective of reducing CO₂ emissions in the urban transport sector in developing countries, and is supposed to fill the gap of urban mobility planning. It consists of the articulation between Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (SUMPs) working at local level, and Transport NAMAs at the international level coordinating SUMPs, providing legislative and normative framework for sustainable urban mobility and offering capacity building to support the structuration of transport authorities, national funding systems, etc.

The SUMP NAMA Initiative will be carried out in 2 different stages of development. The 1st stage could possibly benefit from the window of opportunity provided by COP21 taking place the 1st and 2nd of July 2015. The 2nd is going to start in 2016 until 2020 aiming to create an international programme to implement SUMPs, national sustainable urban transport policies and NAMAs.

Partner Countries – Colombia, Indonesia, Peru, South Africa and Philippines

Colombia

Meeting with Vice-Minister

The **project team met with the new vice-minister, Enrique José Nates Guerra**, during its mission to Colombia from March 17th -21st to reaffirm the support of the government about the NAMAs being currently under development (Non-motorized transport and transport demand management) and in the implementation stage (freight NAMA). The Vice-Minister affirmed his high interest in the projects and the cooperation and confirmed his support in the planned activities.

Involvement of TU Dresden for MRV methodology

In early March, **two consultancies have started for the NMT and TDM NAMA** (working title: "Push and Pull NAMA"). The Colombian consultancy Hill Consulting will carry out site visits and interviews to find out about interests and needs in terms of NMT as well as data availability in selected Colombian cities. The Technical University of Dresden works on a suitable MRV methodology for the NAMA, including a first ex-ante estimation of the mitigation effect and co-benefits associated with the NAMA. TU Dresden's chair of transport ecology had formerly carried out a similar activity for the German Government and was well-received by the local partners. Final results of both consultancies are expected at the end of May.

National Development Plan including NMT and TDM policies

Last but not least, the **National Development Plan** (Plan Nacional de Desarrollo (PND) 2014 -2018) was adopted in early March, including for the first time in history NMT and TDM policies, thanks also to the support in the drafting of the document by the TRANSfer project. The PND creates the policy basis to develop financing options to promote non-motorized transport and formulates plans to implement TDM measures like on-street parking fees and congestion-charging as a contribution to encourage the use of public transport and NMT modes.

Peru

NAMA Facility Appraisal Mission for TRANSPerú received by two Ministers

On Monday, March 16th, after eight days of intense bilateral talks and group workshops, the **expert appraisal mission for the NAMA Facility Support Project** to the Sustainable Urban Transport NAMA (TRANSPerú) presented its

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findings to the partners in an official closing event.

The event attracted high level participation, including the Minister of Transport and Communications: José Gallardo Ku, the Minister of Environment and current COP President: Manuel Pulgar-Vidal, the Vice-Minister of Transport: Henry Zaira, as well as representatives from the British and German Embassies. The high-level participation reaffirmed the great commitment and ownership, with which the Peruvian partners had been pushing forward the development of the NAMA concept, and once again underlines the general importance ascribed to the transformation of the urban transport sector towards a more sustainable development path.

In May a consultancy will start to assess the detailed financing needs and contributions for NAMA implementation, first results of which can be expected for mid-June.

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

Workshop: “Creating a national programme on sustainable urban transport in Peru”

In order to **push forward the preparation for measure 6** (the creation of a national policy and program on sustainable urban transport) of the NAMAs policy matrix, TRANSfer has organized a webinar and a workshop for local decision makers. It featured best practice examples and lessons learned from other countries (among which Brazil, Colombia, Mexico) and discussed options to transfer and adapt these approaches to the Peruvian starting situation. In the context of the workshop a report on the local starting conditions, as well as a report on the results of the workshop have been prepared.

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Philippines Regional Workshop “Transforming Building and Transport Sectors through NAMAs”

Following the regional workshops on Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Action (NAMAs) in Singapore in 2013 and Vietnam in 2014, the TRANSfer project and the Transport and Climate Change project (TCC) of GIZ, **co-organized with UNEP the workshop on “Transforming Building and Transport Sectors through NAMAs”** held in Manila, Philippines from 5th – 7th of May 2015. The Climate Change Commission of the Philippines hosted the event.

While in total there were 90, during the Transport Specific Sessions up to 40 participants from 7 different countries discussed on sustainable transport topics as well as specifically five different NAMA concepts which have been presented by ASEAN countries.

The transport stream of the workshop examined how NAMAs can: (1) help sustainable transport policy development and implementation, (2) apply the concept of transformational change to t-NAMAs, and (3) enhance the knowledge on t-NAMAs worldwide, support mechanisms, and the Road to Paris COP 21. The workshop also highlighted the significance of NAMAs as an instrument for intended nationally determined contributions (INDCs) and the call for action in formulating climate activities in a bottom-up approach.

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Further t-NAMA Countries

Transport & Climate Change Countries (GIZ)

Mexico Mexican Transport Ministry increases Scrapping Incentive

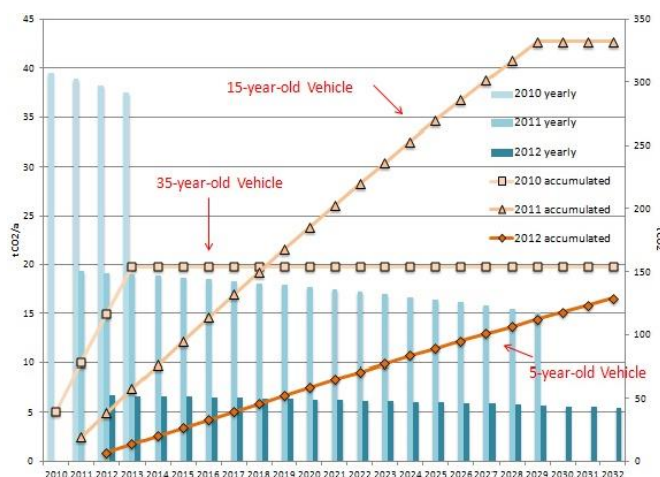
The Mexican Transport Ministry SCT announced in an official press release on the 24th of March 2015 an **increase of the scrapping incentive**. In the framework of the Mexican-German NAMA Program, the GIZ on behalf of the BMUB is developing a NAMA in the road freight sector and is improving the Mexican Scrapping Scheme with the SCT.

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The incentive received when buying a new vehicle after scrapping an old one has been raised depending on the type of vehicle between 55.3% and 81.3%. A total of 6000 HDV owners per year will benefit from the credit, which represents more than 83% of the yearly average of the past ten years. According to estimations of a calculator developed by the GIZ this would correspond to a total mitigation of 379.460 tons of CO₂.

The calculator also demonstrates that there is a perfect age (to achieve the highest mitigation potential) for scrapping. The following graph shows the mitigation potential when scrapping and renewing vehicles of different ages (five, 15 and 35 years). It highlights that there is a perfect age: If the vehicle is too old, the remaining lifetime and kilometers traveled of the vehicle are not significant (2010 line) and if the vehicle is too young, the efficiency improvement is not relevant (2012 line).

Graph: CO₂ Mitigation Potential of Scrapping Vehicles of Different Ages (five, 15 and 35 Years)



In contrast to before, the so-called “men truck” (owner operator, up to five vehicles) will particularly benefit from the credit. The SCT announced that at least half of the credits have to be given to this group of owners. Already in November 2014, the Mexican government announced the introduction of the “Parri-Passu”, a credit guarantee for small entrepreneurs. Both measures will increase the participation of “men truck” and small fleet carriers, the focus group of the Road Freight Transport NAMA, in the Scrapping Scheme.

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More info about the NAMA (Factsheet in English) : <http://climate.blue/pronama/>

China
Sino-German
Cooperation on Low
Carbon Transport

On April 27th 2015, GIZ and the Chinese Ministry of Transport (MoT) jointly launched the “**Sino-German Cooperation on Low Carbon Transport**” project in Beijing. The project is commissioned under the International Climate Initiative by the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB). GIZ and the Transport Management Department of MoT were designated implementation partners. Prof. Dr. Liu Xiaoming, Director General of Transport Management Department of MoT and Dr. Norbert Salomon, Deputy Director General of Emission Control, Safety of Installation and Transport Department from BMUB delivered opening speeches before the signing ceremony by both sides. The whole-day event continued with an international and local experience exchange on low carbon transport with several presentation and discussions.

More Information: <http://sustainabletransport.org/new-project-launched-sino->

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Transport Emission Reduction Strategies and Quantification Conference and Training

On April 20th-21st, the Chinese Ministry of Transport, the World Bank and GIZ jointly organized the “**Transport Emission Reduction Strategies and Quantification Conference and Training**”, which aimed at bringing more exchanges on low carbon transport between Chinese and international experts. The two-day conference and training was split into four main sessions with different focuses:

- 1) Strategies of transport energy saving and emission reductions
- 2) Policies and measures of developing low carbon transport
- 3) Impact of new energy busses on energy savings and emission reductions;
- 4) Emission modeling and quantifications in transport sector.

Experts from the World Bank, the German Environment Agency, the Swiss consultancy firm INFRAS as well as Chinese research institutes shared their experience in transport emission reduction strategies and greenhouse gas quantifying measures. Several discussion on this issue were successfully carried out during the two-day conference and training.

More information about the conference:

<http://sustainabletransport.org/transport-emission-reduction-strategies-and-quantification-conference-in-beijing-2/>

Project Background

The TRANSfer project is a project run by GIZ and funded by the International Climate Initiative of the German Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB). Its objective is to support developing countries to develop and implement climate change mitigation strategies in the transport sector as „Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions“ (NAMAs). The project follows a multi-level approach:

- At country level, TRANSfer supports selected partner countries in developing and implementing NAMAs in the transport sector. The NAMAs supported by the project cover a broad variety of approaches in the partner countries Indonesia, South Africa, Peru and Colombia.
- At international level and closely linked to the UNFCCC process, the project helps accelerate the learning process on transport NAMAs with a comprehensive set of measures (events, trainings, facilitation of expert groups, documents with guidance and lessons learned such as the transport NAMA handbook and a database).

Activities at country and international level are closely linked and designed in a mutually beneficial way. While specific country experience is broad to the international stage (bottom-up) to facilitate appropriate consideration of transport sector specifics in the climate change regime, recent developments in the climate change discussions are fed into the work in the partner countries (top-down).

For more information see: www.transport-namas.org