Dear friend of TRANSfer,

The preparations for the 23rd Conference of the Parties (COP23) under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), from November 6-17, 2017 are well under way, and are equipped to provide a comprehensive understanding of climate challenges and solutions to the most influential stakeholders in climate action.

Since transportation, is still accounting for approximately 27% of energy-related CO2 emissions, it is a sector that has to receive increasing attention in forthcoming climate efforts! Recognizing this, the Transport Team of GIZ has prepared a series of events, excursions and activities at within the COP23! Our aim: to connect forward-thinking professionals, and empower ambitious ideas with informed perspectives and focused action strategies. Our motto: From Ambition to Action – Decarbonizing Transport Hands-on!

Find descriptions of GIZ’s transport events within COP23 below or on our website or register here to join us! You can also follow events in real time on twitter at #wearetransport!

We look forward to meeting you there; you are most welcome!

Best,

Your TRANSfer Team

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1. COP23 Special: From Ambition to Action – Decarbonizing Transport Hands-on

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Get involved! We look forward to meeting you in person.

1-day event: From Ambition to Action – Decarbonising Transport in Germany and Abroad
November 10th, 9:00-16:00, GIZ Bonn, Friedrich-Ebert-Allee 36 + 40; [more]

Register here

GiZ is organising the one-day event, “From Ambition to Action: Decarbonising Transport”, to engage with the international community over the question of how to develop zero-emission transport systems to achieve the objectives of the Paris Agreement.

The event will discuss Germany’s role in decarbonising transport and will invite international partners to elaborate on how to implement more ambitious climate actions in the transport sector. Furthermore, the event will also provide the opportunity to discuss feasible pathways for emerging economies and developing countries. Last but not least, the event will debate with international donors how to unlock more investments into climate-friendly transport solutions.

With this event, GiZ will facilitate a dialogue on how to implement more ambitious climate actions in the transport sector including climate-resilient transport infrastructure. The event targets the international transport and climate change community and combines multiple sector perspectives, panel discussions and networking opportunities for an engaging, mutual-learning day.

Find more details, a tentative agenda and registration information [here].

Discussion on Low Carbon Transport: G20 on Track?
November 8th, 14:30-16:00 [more]

GiZ kicks off its transport-focused events with the question: What is the level of ambition regarding mitigation of G20 countries in the transport sector? Presenters analyze key drivers for transport sector performance and illustrate existing low-carbon targets, strategies and policies within the perspective of the Paris Agreement objectives.
The discussion will reflect how current practices influence NDC implementation and future opportunities for revision in the transport sector.

As this event is held in the German Pavilion within the Bonn Zone, attendance is restricted to those with the appropriate permission. For more information visit the UNFCCC homepage: http://newsroom.unfccc.int/

**Excursion:**

**Experience Climate Friendly Mobility in Cologne**

**November 9th, 9:30-15:30** [more]

Don’t just learn about climate friendly mobility, but experience it with an excursion to Cologne! One of the largest cities in West Germany has ambitious plans in progress to renovate its bus fleet and expand urban mobility options.

The excursion offers detailed strategies and hands-on understandings of challenges and solutions in urban transport in Cologne. No resource of Cologne’s public transportation company, Kölner Verkehrs-Betriebe (KVB) AG, will be missed – from KVB headquarters, to their bus depot, subway station, control offices, bike sharing and charging spots. What can be learned from Cologne’s transition to electric buses? Can Cologne’s smart transport systems apply to your own? Join us and find out on November 9, 2017 (Meeting @ GIZ Office Bonn)

For more information and to register click here.

The field trip is organized by GIZ in the context of the International Climate Initiative of the German Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conversation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB).

**Discussion:**

**Taking climate action to the streets – transforming urban mobility**

**November 14th, 14:30-16:00** [more]

The Government of Germany is committed to supporting actions and policy approaches regarding urban mobility in emerging and developing economies. On November 14th selected speakers will explore urban mobility in detail, for its relevance to local and national governments and with respect to the implementation of NDCs and accomplishment of several SDGs.

The second part of the event will focus on specific action strategies – utilizing examples from MobiliseYourCity, the Transformative Urban Mobility Initiative (TUMI) and Reverse Innovation: The vision for tomorrow’s cities.

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**Roundtable discussion:**

**Franco-German Side Event on Sustainable Urban Development**

**November 14th, 10:30-13:00** [more]

Join a roundtable discussion that aims to link global and local agendas in sustainable urban development. Knowledgeable speakers provide a wide variety of experiences and expertise to encompass urban development from all angles. Roundtable participants include representatives from French and German Ministries, Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction (GABC), MobiliseYourCity (MYC) and Cities Climate Financing Leadership Alliance (CCFLA).

As this event is held in the French Pavilion within the Bonn Zone, attendance is restricted to those with the appropriate accreditation. For more information visit the UNFCCC homepage: http://newsroom.unfccc.int/
2. International Learning and UNFCCC Process

Transport and Climate Change Week
60 transport officials from around the globe share knowledge on Transport and Climate Change

“Meeting global experts and taking a combination of their experience how to solve transportation problems as a model, helps finding traffic solutions applicable for our countries” said Sajeda Al-Nsour, Project Coordinator of the Greater Amman Municipality at the side of the conference.

Creating a forum for dialogue, learning and innovation for government officials and transport experts from around the globe was the aim of the first Transport and Climate Change Week (TCC Week). The event was organised on behalf of the German Federal Environment Ministry (BMUB) in Berlin from 18 to 22 September 2017. This year’s focus was Urban Mobility.

A highlight of the week was the Climate Action in Transport Conference, where 40 international transport experts joined the 60 participants from emerging and developing countries of the TCC-Week. A central part of the conference were presentations held by participating government officials of eleven different countries throughout the week, such as China, Colombia, Namibia and the Philippines.

Find more information here.
The European Commission had approved EUROCLIMA+ as a new EU regional program to support environmental sustainability and climate change mitigation and adaptation measures in Latin America in 2016. To date, a budget of 80 million euros has been approved for this flagship program and additional resources are also planned for the coming years.

Specifically, the program will assist countries in the implementation of the commitments made at the Climate Change conference held in Paris (COP21), the NDCs.

During the kick-off workshop for the Urban Mobility component of the EUROCLIMA + Program its governance was coordinated and the initial phase of implementation planned. Representatives from 15 countries attended, including AFD, CEPAL, UN Environment (UNEP), FLACMA, the IUC LAC Program, the European Commission (EU DEVCO) and GIZ.

Specific goals of the urban mobility component are
a. NUMPS: At least 2 Latin American national governments approve a new or substantially improved National Urban Mobility Policy or Program (NUMP), including funding mechanisms.

b. SUMPS: at least 7 Latin American local governments approve a new or substantially improved Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP).
   • Innovative pilot projects / transformative projects: at least 3 pilot projects have been implemented in a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP)
   • A regional platform or Community of Practice strengthens the exchange and capacities of Latin American

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MYC
Tunisia and Philippines enter the partnership

MobiliseYourCity continuous to develop rapidly as one of the internationally most renowned Partnerships for promotion of sustainable urban mobility. By August 2018, MobiliseYourCity has validated 28 city governments and 9 national governments as beneficiary partners, spread across Africa, Asia, Central Europe and Latin America.

The Philippine Department of Transportation was formally given the Certificate of the MobiliseYourCity (MYC) Partnership on September 21, 2017 in Berlin, Germany.

As part of GIZ technical support to Tunisia to develop and implement GHG mitigation strategies for the transport sector, the launching meeting and the presentation of the certificate affirming the adhesion of the city of Sfax was held on September 27, 2017.

As part of the MYC partnership, the countries will be able to tap the technical support of a coalition of international partners worldwide, e.g. international development organizations, urban and transport planning agencies, and NGOs.

3. News from Partner Countries

Peru
Lack of efficiency of freight transport sector threatens exports competitiveness

The Peruvian Ministry of Transports and Communications has stated interest in increasing the efficiency of the freight transport sector, particularly in the modernization of the freight vehicle fleet. With technical assistance provided by the German Cooperation, the national government is developing a scrapping scheme and improving measures of inspection and maintenance.

Based on this, TRANSfer III is organizing a workshop on November 3rd that will present the problems of the freight transport sector in Peru and encourage the discussion among relevant stakeholders in order to arrive to explicit strategies to increase the sector’s efficiency.

In Peru, the economic growth experienced in recent years expanded commercial activities throughout the country, alongside the development of the freight transportation sector. However, Peru still faces high logistical costs, which can make exporting up to 4 times more expensive than in any other Latin American country and, thus, reduces the competitiveness of domestic products.
The Philippine Department of Transportation (DOTr) launched the Public Utility Vehicle (PUV) Modernization program with the signing of Department Secretary Arthur Tugade and OIC Catalino Uy of the minibus Franchising Guidelines (OFG) as the major component of the program in June 2017. The process has been closely supported by GIZ’s TRANSfer project.

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The modernization of public transportation in the Philippines is set to meet the safety, energy efficiency and emission standards. With the massive transition among all sectors, Sec. Tugade told reporters in the after event press conference: “I’m appealing for the cooperation and support of the riding public, operators and drivers on this initiative of the government to ensure a safe and modern public transport in the country.”

High ranking officials and staff of DOTr and attached agencies already took part in a Strategic Planning Workshop for the PUV Modernization and identified policy directions, a roadmap and the organization structure of the Public Utility Vehicle Management Project Management Office (PUVM PMO). The workshop was conducted by the Philippine Department of Transportation (DOTr).

The PUV is a collaboration of DOTr, and its attached agencies. Other agencies are also expected to be crucial in the implementation of the program. The heads of agencies that participated in the launch were Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea, LTFRB Chairman Martin Delgra, MMDA Chairman Danilo Lim, DBM Secretary Benjamin Diokno, and DTI Secretary Ramon Lopez. Other financial partners have also shown their support in the program launch: Landbank and Development Bank of the Philippines, representatives from various transport groups, the academe and supporting international organizations with GIZ at the forefront.

Providing technical inputs on key performance indicators (KPI) and consolidation strategies in public transport were some of the goals of a GIZ organised workshop on Public Transport Industry Consolidation and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), held August 3, 2017. Discussions also centered around fare restructuring of public transport services.

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The workshop was held in line with the ongoing assistance of the GIZ TRANSfer project in the context of the Public Utility Vehicle (PUV) Modernization of the Department of Transportation (DOTr). Staff of the DOTr and its attached agencies
participated in the workshop.

Undersecretary Anneli Lontoc opened the workshop by providing the overall objectives of the DOTr towards a more sustainable public transport system in the Philippines. Dr. Christian Mettke of GIZ gave an overview of GIZ experiences and international lessons learnt in the context of public transport reforms, highlighting the need to consolidate public transport industries and to develop a regulatory framework that aligns operators incentives with policy objectives. In the following, Robin Kaenzig, transport economist and project consultant of GIZ, provided guiding input on consolidation strategies and key performance indicators.

The workshop was closed by Assistant Secretary Mark De Leon, who reiterated the need to define the KPIs for transport, the continued assistance needed by the DOTr, as well as the urgency of the task ahead for the DOTr.
4. Publications

**MYC**
New Factsheets about SUMPs, NUMPs and Capacity Development

New publications for methodological orientation in the field of Sustainable Urban Mobility Plans (SUMPs) and National Urban Mobility Policies and Investment Programs (NUMPs) as well as on Capacity Development are online now, published by the MobiliseYourCity Initiative!

Find the three brochures [here](#).

**TraCS**
“Approaches for Establishing In-Use Vehicle Stock and Vehicle Mileages”

A new paper written by the transport research group of the German Aerospace Center (DLR) and IVT presents an overview on approaches to establish vehicle mileage data and gives a detailed overview on methodologies used in Germany.

The background paper can be downloaded [here](#).

The paper also presents experiences from Germany, USA and France regarding up-to-date vehicle register systems. The paper focuses on passenger cars and 2-wheelers, specifically their strengths and weaknesses and the context criteria for each approach is suitable.

Reliable data on vehicle mileage and the number of vehicles in use by vehicle type are essential inputs for calculating transport emissions. However, in many countries (e.g. Vietnam, Kenya, Indonesia, Peru) vehicle population and mileage data are met with high uncertainties.

**Reverse Innovation in Urban Mobility - New Incentives for German Cities out now!**

Air pollution, noise and a lack of space – German municipalities are looking for ways to make traffic more sustainable. GIZ and the Umweltbundesamt (UBA) have therefore collected inspiring sustainable mobility innovations from emerging and developing countries for the joint brochure “Reverse Innovation – Rethinking Urban Transport Through Global Learning”.

The brochure can be downloaded [here](#).

The new brochure presents 10 innovations from emerging and developing countries that provide inspirations for sustainable mobility in Germany. One example presented at the event was by Ms. Samira Negm from Egypt, Founder of Raye7, an urban carpooling app that matches trips of users who belong to predetermined social communities such as co-workers or friends.
The event showed that digital innovations in the urban transport sector are increasingly gaining momentum – “we need to explore new mechanisms to learn from fast developing cities and use this knowledge to identify new urban mobility solutions for German cities” concluded Christoph Beier.

Maria Krautzberger (President of the Federal Environment Agency) and Christoph Beier (Vice-Chair of the GIZ Management Board) officially launched the brochure. More than 100 guests from different federal ministries, research facilities and various representatives from the private sector participated in the event.

The event was supported by the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Construction and Nuclear Safety (BMUB) and the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) through the project Advancing Transport Climate Strategies and the Sector Project Sustainable Mobility.

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