

Cooperative Energy Efficiency Design for  
Sustainability (CEEDS), Phase 3

# Energy Efficient Urban Passenger Transportation

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## First Workshop : Summary of Key Issues

San Francisco, CA, USA

14-16 September 2011



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# CEEDS: Objectives & Process

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## ■ Objectives

- Promote “high-performance” energy efficiency policies in selected sectors in APEC economies
- Complement “PREE” (single- economy review)

## ■ Phase 1 – Appliance Efficiency S&L

## ■ Phase 2 – Building Codes & Labeling

## ■ Phase 3 – Energy Efficient Urban Passenger Transport

- Workshop 1: San Francisco, 14-16 Sept. 2011
- Workshop 2: Singapore, 17-19 January 2012



# Why EE Transport?

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- Urbanization trends + increase in private motorized vehicles
- Public health
- Energy security
- GHG emissions
- Costs of urban infrastructure



# Key Issues Discussed at CEEDS 3 Workshop #1

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- Livable communities and transit oriented development
- Mass transit as a key component of TOD
- Vehicle efficiency

*Decisions made today about urban design  
will impact our cities' energy use for  
decades to come.*



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# Livable Communities and TOD

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- The 8 “Ds” for changing travel behavior:
  - Increase residential AND employment density
  - Diversify land uses
  - Design land so that it has interconnected and varied spaces
  - Ensure destination accessibility
  - Focus on distance to transit (most of the density = within a quarter mile from the transit station)
  - Consider Development Scale, Demand management such as parking restrictions, and Demographics



# Livable Communities and TOD

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- Some best practices:
  - De-emphasize vehicles
  - Charge for vehicles coming in
  - Maximize intermodal connectivity of transit hubs
  - Focus on mass transit (e.g., BRT)
  - Incorporate pedestrian and bike networks
  - Highlight co-benefits (e.g., congestion reduction) to ensure widespread support
- Interagency cooperation is Key



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# Mass Transit as Key Component of TOD

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- Factors to consider when selecting mode:
  - Land use factors
  - Demand for transit service
  - System design
  - Capital and operating budgets vs. costs of proposed system
  - GHG reduction potential
  - Potential effectiveness



# Mass Transit as Key Component of TOD: Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

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- Cost effective and quick to deploy
- Greater service area than rail, for less cost
- Best practices:
  - Median-aligned bus lanes
  - Dedicated lanes
  - Off-board fare collection
  - wide doors and level boarding
  - Careful intersection design, station placement
  - Safe, weather protected stations
  - Integration with bike paths & bike sharing





# Road Vehicle Efficiency

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- Fuel economy standards – best practices:
  - Apply to all major vehicles, not just cars
  - Base on size (rather than weight)
  - Couple with incentivizing policies
- Fiscal incentives
  - Tax incentive for buying efficient vehicle, penalty for buying less efficient vehicle
- Consumer information/labeling
  - For new OR used cars – New Zealand example
- Pricing and congestion policies
  - Ownership control: Quota system and fees/taxes
  - User-side measures: Area Licensing Scheme (ALS), Electronic Road Pricing (ERP)



# Road Vehicle Efficiency

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## ■ Technological options:

- Available today: Engine, transmission, road load improvements
- Mid-term option: Hybrid vehicles
- Long-term option: Electric drive vehicles

## ■ Electric Vehicles:

- Progress has slowed, future unclear
- Could develop “top down” (fully functional, full size vehicles) or “bottom up” (small, less expensive vehicles)
- New option: Distributed mass transit (“Station cars”):  
Toyota



# Road Vehicle Efficiency: Used Car Imports/Exports

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## ■ Issues:

- Who has the burden of responsibility?
- Are used imports always bad?

## ■ Control options include:

- Requiring inspection/maintenance test at the border
- Prohibiting imports or exports of used vehicles
- Restricting the age of used imports
- Requiring higher taxes on high-polluting vehicles



# Levers to Influence Change (USA example)

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- Public sector legislation/regulation:
  - Federal efficiency/CAFE standards, clean air regulation, incentives/taxes
  - State and local growth management, zoning, land use (e.g., bike lanes), taxi requirements, parking/congestion pricing
- Private sector: Demonstration programs, financing
- NGOs: Scholarship, research, advocacy



# Economy Status Report: China

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## ■ Main Issues:

- Traffic congestion, traffic accidents, environmental pollution, energy use
- Lack of infrastructure and traffic facilities, poor travel behavior

## ■ Goals:

- Change travel demand characteristics (reduce distance necessary to reach destinations)
- Reduce car trips
- Improve efficiency of road networks
- Change travel behavior (through education, enforcement, culture, morals)
- Change vehicle technology



# China Next Steps

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- Propose a policy recommendation for central government (multiple ministries)
- Perform a demonstration project together with local government
  - Coordinate with China Eco-Cities program (5-year plan) and LCMT initiative, LCMT report (Nov. 2011)
  - Choose medium-size city
  - Work with expert group to develop comprehensive transport plan; implement and publicize
- Hold two workshops (e.g., best practice and demonstration project symposium)
  - Coordinate with annual LCMT fora



# China Next Steps (cont'd)

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- **Land use and urban planning**
  - Focus on regional scale
  - Mandate TOD for all new towns and major expansions
- **Prioritize road uses:** Walking/biking first, cars last (promote electric, small cars)
- Increase **mass transit** availability (BRT and buses) to ensure adequate alternative transport options
- **Influence behavior** to discourage car use and encourage walking/biking/mass transit:
  - Parking limits, congestion charging
  - Provide mass transit passes with housing
  - Promote popularity of biking



# Economy Status Report: Mexico

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## ■ Main Issues:

- Traffic congestion, pollution, energy use
- Inefficient used vehicle imports

## ■ Goals:

- Improve fuel economy of vehicles entering the fleet (both new vehicles and imported used vehicles)
- Improve regulatory structure
- Consider economic incentives to promote efficient transport choices
- Increase availability and attractiveness of public transit options
- Improve urban traffic management
- Reign in urban sprawl





# Mexico Next Steps

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- Improve vehicle efficiency
  - New fuel economy/GHG standards for LD and HD vehicles tied to:
    - Tax scheme based on vehicle performance
    - Financial incentives for vehicles that exceed standards
  - Accelerated replacement of inefficient vehicles
  - Mandatory registration of imported used vehicles (NZ model)
- Improve fuel quality: Quality standards, increase capacity of PEMEX to enforce standards
- Improve energy diversity: Consider low carbon fuels, LPG buses
- Improve driving behavior
  - Information campaign
  - Focus on freight (GPS monitoring, education, recognition)



# Mexico Next Steps (Cont'd)

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- Promote shifts to Lower C modes in cities
  - Reduce/eliminate fuel subsidies
  - Promote non-motorized/more efficient modes:
    - Bike sharing and walkability projects (enhance safety!)
    - Promote BRT, subways, rail
  - Highlight public transit success stories
  
- Land use/TOD planning
  - Engage decision makers and private developers
  - Revise street design standards (Complete Streets)
  - Strengthen environmental impact accountability laws
  - Focus on parking management



# Economy Status Report: Philippines

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## ■ Main Issues:

- Proliferation of unregistered, unregulated transit operators (buses, jeepneys)
- Congested rail system
- Lack of government capacity to implement EE transport policies and regulations

## ■ Goals:

- Implement and enforce existing transport EE policies
- Build capacity and increase resources of government agencies responsible for transport programs
- Create integrated, focused approach to information campaigns about transport issues



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# Philippines Next Steps: Implement DOE Action Plan

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- Alternative fuels roadmap (CNG buses pilot), e-trikes, auto-LPG for jeepneys, e-buses
- Support passage of legislation on incentives for alternative fuel vehicles, and EE and Conservation bill
- Harmonization of biofuel blends with Euro 4 standards
- R&D on alternative fuels technologies
- Close interagency coordination on implementation of National Environmentally Sustainable Transport program

**\*\*Use data to make the case about benefits!**



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# Philippines Next Steps (Cont'd)

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- Land use planning:
  - Consider TOD: Department of Energy can advocate that different local government units (including Housing Ministry) coordinate efforts, e.g., at cabinet meetings
  - Promote public-private coordination, and involvement of citizens (“people power”)
- Consider BRT project feasibility (Cebu or Metro Manila)
- Scale up electric tricycles program (in tranches)



# Economy Status Report: Thailand

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## ■ Main Issues:

- Bottlenecks around gateways
- Incomplete road network
- Enormous travel volume/congestion
- Population movements out of cities that result in long commutes
- Low quality bus system, limited BRT/rail

## ■ Goals:

- Improve urban planning
- Promote car/van-pooling (connections to mass transit)
- Encourage purchase of energy efficient cars
- Change population trends/bias toward commuting back to city schools and hospitals



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# Thailand Next Steps

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- **Set targets with specific timeframe, e.g.,** reductions in emissions, travel time, and travel distance growth rate
- **Short term:**
  - **Public information and education:** web, mobile info, ITS, brochures, TV/radio, school programs, eco-driving training.
  - **Cooperation with public & private agencies:**
    - Bangkok Mass transit authority, Government owned vehicles
    - Airport authority (limousines, parking priority for efficient vehicles)
    - Waterway improvements (LNG, biofuels, solar ferries)
    - Private sectors (cement companies, superstores, etc.) -- showcase EE transportation in short term



# Thailand Next Steps (Cont'd)

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- **Medium term: Improve public transport**
  - Increase public transit use, expand systems and improve quality (buses, gold std BRT), introduce EE/CNG buses
  - Intelligent routing and real-time passenger info
  - Convenient ticketing for different modes
  - Improved park and ride facilities
  - Car-pooling vans
- **Longer term: Demand pricing**
  - Road user charges (time of use/zones/emission)
  - Pay-as-you-drive insurance
- **Longer term: Urban planning**
  - Applicable outside central Bangkok
  - TOD with self-sufficient district, better city planning, bike/walking lanes





# Thailand Next Steps (Cont'd): Ongoing Strategies

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## ■ Promotion of high EE vehicles

- Eco cars, FFVs, hybrid, hydrogen, Evs
- R&D for fuel efficiency technologies
- Energy labeling
- Tax privileges for high EE vehicles
- Car parking/HOV lane privileges
- High fuel economy standards

## ■ Institutional/Capacity building

- Coordinate among public agencies
- Practical database
- Capacity/skill building and knowledge management
- Systematic and regular M&E
- Good governance and accountability

### **Consider Pilot integrated TOD district in Bangkok:**

- Car free zones
- Parking facilities
- Public transit



# Economy Status Report: Viet Nam

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## ■ Main Issues:

- Lack of urban land for transport infrastructure in cities
- Insufficient public bus service, no mass transit systems in large cities
- Proliferation of motorbikes for personal transport

## ■ Goals:

- Integrate new metro lines in major cities with other transport modes (buses, BRT, bikes/walking paths)
- Improve private vehicle fuel economy



# Viet Nam Next Steps

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- Mass Transit: Enhance public bus service in large cities
  - Ha Noi and Ho Chi Minh City new bus and BRT routes planned
  - Study to integrate urban transport modes in both cities (ADB)
- Fuel Economy/Emissions Standards
  - May 2012 new standard for motorbikes
  - I/M regulations for motorbikes (cities first, expand in 2015)
  - Enforce Euro 3, 4, 5 emissions standards (motorbikes by 2017, cars by 2022)
  - Fuel economy labeling system to be enforced by 2015



# Vietnam Next Steps (Cont'd)

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- Public information and incentives
  - Training/awareness on eco-driving and public transport
  - Tax incentive for EE vehicles
  - Parking charges in large cities
  - Consider environmental tax for vehicles
  
- Look at adding all fuels as options



# Next Steps for CEEDS Phase 3

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- Workshop Summary Report (10/28)
- Participating economies refine and implement “Next Steps”
- Workshop #2 : Report on progress, issues, & future plans (January 14-16, Singapore)

