Programme

Expert Group Meeting on Transport for Sustainable Development: Analysis of trends, issues and policy options

United Nations, New York
27-28 August 2009

Venue: Meeting Room of UNFPA, 19th Floor, 220 East 42nd Street, New York, NY 10017

Thursday, 27 August 2009

Morning (10.00 – 13.00)

Introduction: Welcome and introduction of participants

- by Mr. Tariq Banuri, Director, Division for Sustainable Development (DSD)/Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)

Overview on the normative debate on transport for sustainable development and preparations for CSD 18-19:

- by Mr. Ralph Wahnschafft, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, DSD/DESA

Session I: Access to affordable transport services for sustainable development: The role of transport in the Millennium Development Goals

Overview on good practices of development of rural transport infrastructure

- by Mr. Jephthah Chagunda, Chair, Malawi Rural Travel and Transport Programme, Lilongwe, Malawi, and Mr. Peter O’Neill, Lead Infrastructure Adviser, Energy Transport and Water Department, World Bank, Washington D.C.
- by Ms. Maria Arce, Executive Secretary, International Forum for Rural Transport and Development (IFRTD), London, UK

Overview on good practices in development of urban public transport infrastructure

- by Ms. Jayeeta Sen, Senior Researcher, Centre for Science and Environment, New Delhi, India
- by Mr. Manfred Breithaupt, Transport and Mobility Programme, German Technical Cooperation Agency, Eschborn, Germany
- by Mr. Cosmos Takule, Dar es Salaam Rapid Transit Agency (DART), Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
Group discussion – Co-Moderators: Mr. Ralph Wahnschafft, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, DSD/DESA and Mr. Thomas Hamlin, Adviser, DSD/DESA

Lunch   (13.00 – 14.30)

Afternoon (14.30 - 17.30)

Session II: Analysis and Projections of (Land) Transport Demand

Analysis and projection of global transport and transport fuel demand, emissions and climate change impacts

- by Mr. François Cuenot, Office of Sustainable Energy Policy and Technology, International Energy Agency (IEA), Paris, France

Selection and prioritization of infrastructure projects serving sustainable development - The UNECE experience

- by Ms. Eva Molnar, Director, Division of Transport, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UN ECE), Geneva

Financing of transport infrastructure and services for sustainable development

- by Mr. Jamie Leather, Senior Transport Specialist, Asian Development Bank, Manila, Philippines

Group discussion – Moderator:  Mr. Esteban Diez Roux, Inter-American Development Bank, Washington D.C.

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Session III: Environmental co-benefits of promoting urban public transport

Integrated urban transport and land use planning for sustainable development

- by Mr. Brian Williams, Chief, Energy and Transport Section, UN-Habitat, Nairobi, Kenya

The pan-European programme on transport, health and environment - Achievements and remaining challenges

- by Ms. Brinda Wachs, PEP Programme Manager, Environment, Housing and Land Division, UN Economic Commision for Europe (UN ECE), Geneva
Environmental co-benefits of promoting urban public transport

- by Ms. Heather Allen, Senior Manager, International Public Transport Association (UITP), Brussels, Belgium

Group discussion – Moderator: Mr. Sergio Sanchez, Executive Director, Clean Air Initiative, Washington D.C.

Session IV: Transport Technologies and transport Policies for Sustainable Development

Fuel economy and innovation: Is a 100 miles/gallon fuel economy for motor vehicles achievable?

- by Bob Larsen, Senior Adviser, Technical Operations Lead, Progressive Insurance Automotive X Prize (California, United States)

Global overview on vehicle fuel economy and emission standards

- by Ms. Lucia Green-Weiskel (on behalf of Mr. Feng An, Director), Innovation Center for Energy and Transportation (iCET), Beijing, China

Assessment of technical and policy options for mitigating transport emission

- by Mr. Karl Otto Schallaboeck, Co-Director, Energy and Mobility Structures, Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy, Wuppertal, Germany

Group discussion – Moderator: Mr. Rob de Jong, Head, Transport Unit, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Nairobi, Kenya

Lunch (13.00 – 14.30)

Afternoon (14.30 - 17.00)

Session V: Analysis and Projections of Air and Maritime Transport Demand

Aviation and sustainable development: Trends and issues

- by Mr. Ebad Jahangir, Environment Section, Air Transport Bureau, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), Canada

Analysis and projection of air and maritime transport demand

- by Mr. François Cuenot, Office of Sustainable Energy Policy and Technology, International Energy Agency (IEA), Paris, France
Session VI: Perspectives and new initiatives for international cooperation on Transport for Sustainable Development

Perspectives for international cooperation in mitigation emissions from transport

- by Mr. Young-Sook Moon, Director, Climate Change Research Department, Korea Energy Economics Institute (KEEI), Seoul, and Mr. Sung-Woo Kim, Director, Carbon Market Development, Korea Energy Management Corporation (KEMCO), Seoul, Rep. of Korea

International Cooperation among City Administrations: the C-40 Initiative

- by Marcelo M. Vitali, Main Advisor on C-40 Initiative, Department of International Relations, Sao Paulo City Government, Sao Paulo, Brazil

Session VII: Concluding expert round table discussion: Towards a new framework / vision for global cooperation on Transport for Sustainable Development- perspectives and topics for a global debate at CSD

Group discussion – Moderator: Mr. Ralph Wahnschafft, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, DSD/DESA