

SUSTAINABLE URBAN MOBILITY IMPLEMENTATION ACTION

GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE

Global and Cities in Africa, Asia and Latin America

THEMATIC SCOPE

Urban mobility

TARGET BENEFICIARIES

Cities in which the project will be implemented.

PARTNERS

- City and national governments.
- Other UN organisations working in-country under UNDAF or similar frameworks.
- The International Energy Agency.
- The Clean Energy Ministerial and the Electric Vehicles Initiative.
- The International Association for Public Transport (UITP).
- The International Road Transport Union (IRU).
- Institute of Transport Development and Policy.
- Research and knowledge-based institutions such as the Institute of Transport Economics (TØI).
- Wuppertal Institute of Climate, Environment and Energy.
- City networks and academic institution

PROGRAMME SUMMARY

Background: This proposal comprises a set of actions proposed by UN-Habitat to take forward its work on Urban Mobility based on global mandates and priorities as determined by the Sustainable Development Goals adopted in September 2015, the global aspirations agreed at COP21 and the New Urban Agenda to be deliberated at Habitat III. Support from the Government of Norway to UN-Habitat’s work in Urban Mobility has contributed to UN-Habitat’s ability to participate in the global policy dialogue on sustainable urban mobility and the following illustrative outcomes:

- The development and launch of the “ Urban Electric Mobility Initiative” at the UN Climate Summit in 2014, which aims at 30% of all travel in cities to be based on electric mobility in the context of better urban planning and a transition to new sources of energy;
- A tool –kit for policy makers for promoting NMT in Asian Cities;
- Demonstration projects to promote cycling and walking ; e.g. in Medellin Colombia, a pilot project on a selected bicycle route led to a 270% increase in cycling; in Kathmandu Nepal an initiative to promote pedestrianisation in a busy and touristic market area was promoted; UN-Habitat ran a demonstration bike-share facility in the UN offices in Gigiri, Nairobi;

UN-Habitat is a member of the Technical Working Group on Transport which is supporting the Secretary General’s High Level Advisory Group on Transport and has led the development of “issues papers” and the analysis of the SDG’s relevance for transport.

Goals: The main goal of this project is to build capacity of partner cities and to jointly initiate pilot actions on sustainable urban mobility.

Objectives: The objectives of the project include;

- To demonstrate a people-centered approach for urban mobility planning, focusing on active modes of transport and the integration of walking, cycling integrated and public transport.
- To develop concrete pilot actions that are in line with a 1.5°C stabilization pathway, while also improving accessibility, safety, local air-pollution and makes a positive

contribution to local social and economic opportunities.

The main activities that lead to the achievement of the goal and objectives are:

- Capacity building workshops.
- Webinars.
- Regional outreach workshops in Asia, Africa and Latin America
- Small-scale electric mobility demonstration project (one city)
- City sustainable mobility feasibility studies in 2 cities.

 **UN-HABITAT
ROLE**

UN-Habitat is a member of the Technical Working Group coordinated by UNDESA that is supporting the Secretary General’s High Level Advisory Group on Transport in preparing the Global Transport Outlook Report to be launched at the Global Transport Conference in November 2016. Support from Norway will enable UN-Habitat to engage actively with member states in the preparation of the Global Outlook Report

While the process of developing the New Urban Agenda is still progressing it is important to start now developing a pathway towards the implementation of sustainable, low-carbon solutions for the transport sector that is a key enabler for urban economic and social development. UN-Habitat is working very actively with cities in Asia, Africa and Latin America to identify urban mobility solutions that have the potential to deliver on the Sustainable Development Goal and the Paris Agreement and can make a contribution to delivering on the New Urban Agenda, once it is launched in October 2016.

 **MAIN
OUTPUTS**

- Pilot projects developed on innovative sustainable mobility initiatives, such as sustainable urban mobility planning, street, improvement plans for walking and cycling facilities incorporating provision for small business opportunities, bicycle sharing and the promotion of electric mobility.
- Training and capacity building through tailor made programmes for the partner cities. To support these activities with such city/country based activities, international EGMs and workshops will be conducted to disseminate innovative approaches.
- Guidance notes and tool kits for policy makers and city officials will also be prepared and disseminated. Activities will be carried out over a period of two years;
- Establish an Alliance of partners for Monitoring Progress against SDG 11 on Cities and the associated target 11.2 “to provide by 2030, access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons”.

 **MAIN RESULTS /
IMPACT**

- Jointly initiated pilot actions on sustainable urban mobility.
- Developed concrete pilot actions that are in line with a 1.5°C stabilization pathway and also improving accessibility, safety, local air-pollution and making a positive contribution to local social and economic opportunities.
- Active modes of transport and the integration of walking, cycling integrated and public transport adopted by the various cities.

 **PROGRAMME
DURATION**

12 months

 **TOTAL PROJECT
BUDGET**

US\$ 350,000