

# Environmentally Sustainable Transport Forum for Africa:

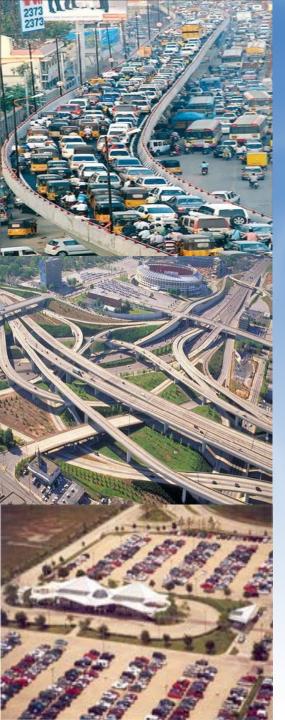
Towards a new paradigm for the Transport Sector

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#### Overview

- Urban transport in Africa in the last few decades
- New paradigm for Urban Transport
- New paradigm for transport finance
- Environmentally Sustainable Transport Forum for Africa
- Background on SSATP





# Urban transport in Africa in the last few decades

- Premise in the past: roads and highways don't just contribute to development, but define development
- Investments focused on building and expansion of roads and highways, increasing speed for cars
- Disengagement by government from public transport
- PT, parking & land-use left to the whim of the market
- Incoherent national government policies toward urban transport
  - Wrong-direction subsidies (Motor fuel, Urban road projects, etc.)
  - Sporadic interventions in transport for the poor that create more problems than they solve (electioneering)

# Results of these policies

- High cost of accessibility; highly inequitable
- Long and unpredictable travel times
- Growing amount of time urban Africans have to allocate to traveling every day
- Poor efficiency of freight logistics in urban areas
- Deteriorating air quality
- For many African countries, transport largest single contributor to GHG emissions



# New Paradigm for Transport: Avoid – Shift – Improve

- Avoid unnecessary travel by integrating land use and transport planning, development around public transport corridors, and improved communications.
- Shift travel to more efficient modes and increased transit options
- Improve fuel and vehicle technologies



Latin American Development Bank

Development Bank for Southern Africa

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#### **Bilateral Development Ban**

Agence France de Developpement

Japan International Cooperation Agency

Kreditanstallt fuer Wieder Aufbau

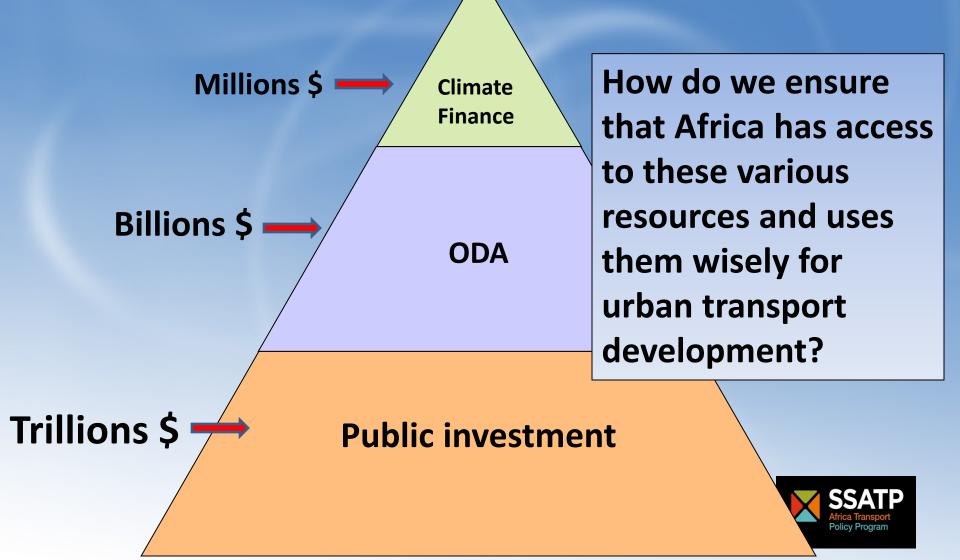
\$10.5 billion total lending

RIO+20
United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

\$ 4.3 billion transport

\$175 Billion - expected investments to support sustainable transport in the next decade

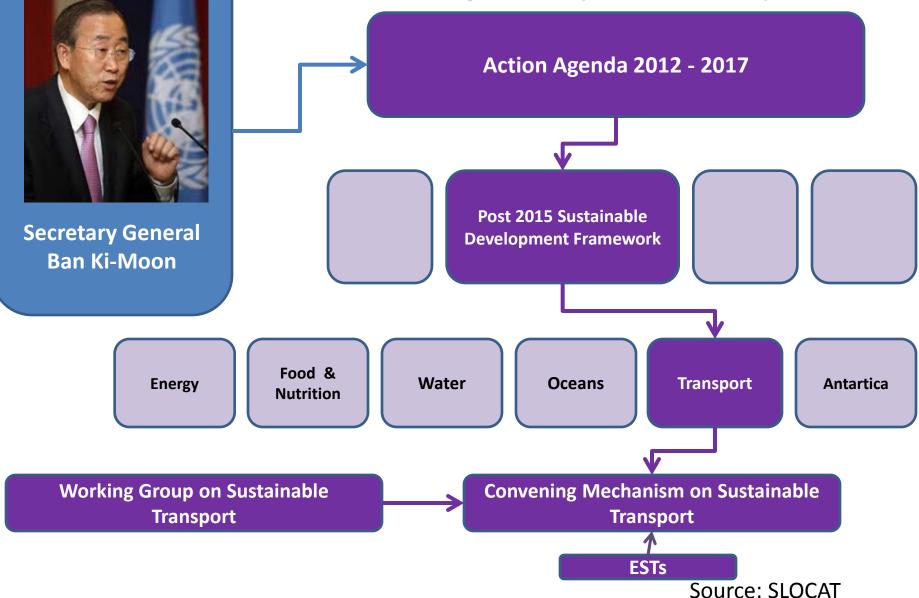
#### New financing paradigm for urban transport



# **Environmentally Sustainable Transport Forum for Africa**

- Establish an institutional platform to address transport, climate change, health and the natural and built environments
- Build a support system for regional cooperation
- Stimulate policy dialogue in a systematic way
- Benchmark progress in a regionally relevant way
- Send a unified message abroad of the need for appropriate support
- Enable local, national and regional stakeholders to improve knowledge and access to support for best practices
- Promote mechanisms for systemizing planning and implementation
- Support from regional perspective emerging international sustainable transport architecture

# UN Secretary General Working Group on Transport

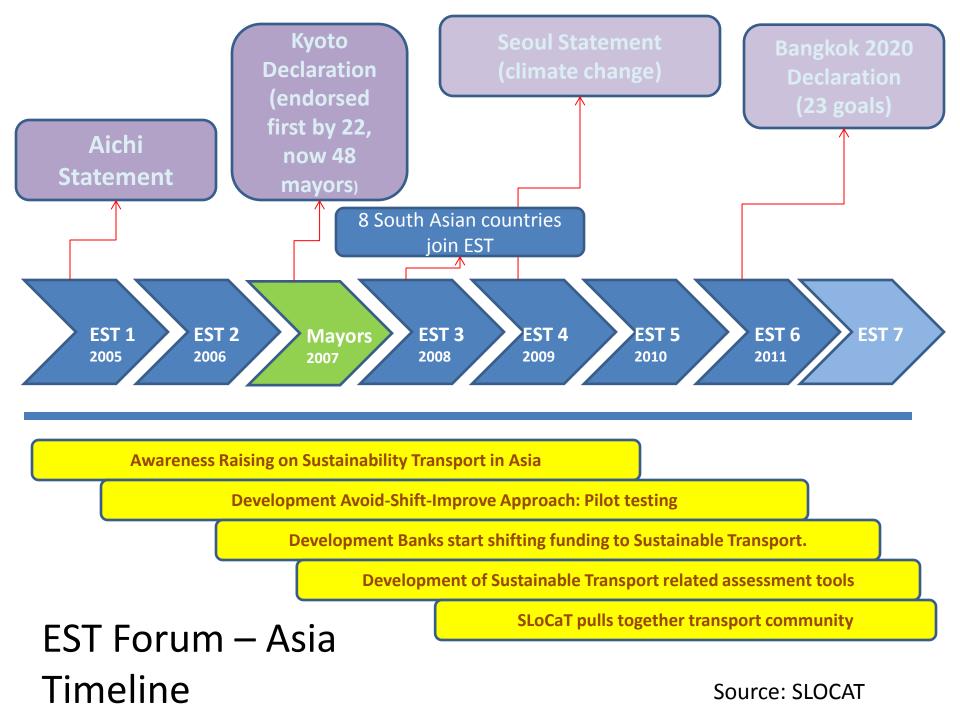


#### **Environmentally Sustainable Transport Forums**

- Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP) – Est. 2002
   Amsterdam Declaration (2009)
- EST Forum for Asia Est. 2004
   (Asian Development Bank)
   Bangkok Declaration (2011)
- EST Forum for Latin America Est. 2011 (Inter-American Development Bank) Bogota Declaration (2011)







# Africa CANNOT afford to stay out of these international processes

#### Steps:

- Endorse the ASI principle and develop guidance for implementing ASI approach in Africa
- Improve data collection mechanisms
- Access multilateral and bilateral funding
- Build up on successful examples within Africa and elsewhere
- Develop best practice models adapted to African reality

Rea Vaya Bus Rapid Transit in Johannesburg





#### Lagos Bus Rapid Transit





#### Dakar Bus Renewal Scheme





#### South Africa's National Land Transport Act of 2009

- Creates a framework for action at the national level
- Clarifies and focuses urban transport roles to metro-muni level
  - Planning
  - Regulation / PSCs
- Facilitates user charges at metromuni level
- Assigns clear roles for national, provincial and municipal governments
- Requires Transport Plans as key part of required Integrated Development Plans





## **EST:** a commitment at Rio

- Various partners have committed to implementing Bangkok 2020 and Bogota declarations, and to establishing the EST-Africa
- Key partners in EST-Africa include UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA), UN Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD), and Sub-Saharan Africa Transport Policy Program (SSATP)



## **History of SSATP**

- From the Road Maintenance Initiative in the end 80s to a comprehensive program to facilitate policy development (transport strategies, road sector management, regional integration, cross-cutting issues)
- Partnership of 37 countries, 8 regional economic communities, development partners and private sector
- Funded by European Commission, African Development Bank, Islamic Development Bank, DFID, Sweden, Norway, Trade
   Facilitation Facility and the World Bank
- Currently implementing second development program (DP2)



# Sub-Saharan Africa Transport Policy Program (SSATP) under DP2

 Mission: Facilitate Policy Development and Capacity Building in the transport sector in Africa

#### Theme 1

Comprehensive pro-poor pro-growth transport sector policies

#### Theme 2

Effective institutional and financial arrangements adopted

#### Theme 3

Trade facilitation
measures
adopted for
better regional
integration

Climate Change

**Road Safety** 

**Governance** and Integrity

Gender and Inclusion

Data Management



Membership

### **Activities and Results**

- Promotion of Bus Rapid Transit Systems based on the Nigeria and South Africa experience: an affordable option for mass transit
- Development of methodology for corridor performance monitoring as a tool for policy decision and facilitation of REC Transport Coordination Committee for exchange of experiences
- Support of the Africa Action Plan for Decade of Action for Road Safety through work in three countries and one regional
- Partnership with Africa Infrastructure Knowledge Program of AfDB for sustaining data management in countries
- Development of governance indicators in the transport sector
- Leading the initiative to create an Environmentally Sustainable
   Transport Forum for Africa (EST-Africa)

# **SSATP looking forward: DP3**

- Under preparation
- Revised institutional framework
  - increased countries' ownership,
  - better anchorage in Africa,
  - more demand-driven
  - African Union Commission as Board member
  - coordination of transport policy by AfDB
  - link with the AU Conference of Transport Ministers
- Emphasis on sustainable transport
- Output of the CODATU conference will be important input to SSATP urban transport agenda in DP3

## **Next steps to create EST-Africa**

- Consultation Process 6 months obtain input from stakeholders and participants, especially those living and working in Africa
- Design of EST Africa 6 months design and logistical preparations
- Launch event late 2013 / early 2014
- Please, contact SSATP or TRL Transportation
   Research Laboratory if want to get involved



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