

Promoting climate-friendly urban mobility in Peru's cities

Context

In Peru, the transportation sector accounts for approximately 12 % of greenhouse gas emissions. The potential for reduction in public transport is huge. 80 % of Peruvians live in cities and 70 % of urban trips are made by public transport. At the same time, public transport has lost passengers during the COVID pandemic and is facing competition from the increasing number of private vehicles.

In 2018, Peru's Ministry of Transport and Communications (MTC) published the National Urban Transport Policy (PNTU), which prioritizes the user and promotes integrated transport systems. In addition, in 2019, the MTC's National Sustainable Urban Transport Program (PROMOVILIDAD) was created to promote modern public transport in Peru's cities.

However, the challenges are great given that, for a long time, the development of public mass and non-motorized transport has not been a priority. In addition to environmental pollution, public transport in Peru's cities today is characterized by excessive travel times, high costs, an aging fleet and small vehicle fleet size, a high degree of informality, traffic accidents, limited accessibility for women and vulnerable social groups, among other problems that remain to be addressed.

Objective

The selected cities are moving forward with the implementation of the National Urban Transportation Policy. The aim is to promote multimodal transport systems. Mass public transport should be expanded and connected with other modalities for cyclists and pedestrians and made accessible and safe for all city inhabitants.

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Approach

Project CIMO (Ciudades en Movimiento) supports the cities of Piura, Arequipa, Trujillo. Around 3 million inhabitants benefit from CIMO's support in these cities. At national level, the project works with PROMOVILIDAD, other departments of the Ministry of Transport and the Ministry of Housing, Construction and Sanitation. The project contributes to three NDCs (Nationally Determined Contributions) and SDG 3, 5, 9, 11, 13 (Sustainable Development Goals) of Agenda 2030.



Street near to school in Piura

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In detail:

1. It strengthens the National Sustainable Urban Transport Program (PROMOVILIDAD).

Four reference documents for the implementation of urban transport policy have been designed and approved to date: integrated speed management, good driving behavior, bicycle parking and road safety policy.

2. It develops successful measures for gender-equitable, integrated transport systems.

For the first time, a method was developed to calculate the emission of greenhouse gases and environmental pollutants by the transport sector in the cities. In addition, data on sexual harassment on public transport was collected in the three cities to prepare for the effective implementation of the protocol against sexual harassment in public transport. In 2023, CIMO also supported the first "Safe School Streets" pilot project in Peru to create a safer environment for children going to school.

3. It is committed to the broad use of digital technologies.

The introduction of two digital instruments in the transport sector for use in cities is currently in the pipeline.

4. It introduces concepts to formalize and professionalize private transport companies.

For the first time, an analysis of the business models of private transport companies in Piura, Trujillo and Arequipa is available.



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Cycle line in Arequipa

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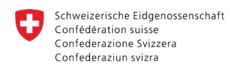
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