



Bringing sustainable transport forward

Study tour to Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania

Background

Dar es Salaam's experience in implementing East Africa's first bus rapid transit (BRT) system can serve as a catalyst for improvements in public space and transport systems in the rest of the region.

The DART system has dramatically reduced commute times for Dar es Salaam residents, who previously faced upwards of 4 hours stuck in traffic each day.

DART is in the process of retaining a second operator to bring the total fleet to just over 300 buses. When fully operational, the system is expected to carry 400,000 passengers per day.

The visit has been structured in such a way that participants can gather experiences and lessons learned in order to plan and implement similar projects in their own cities.

Targets

- Facilitate knowledge sharing among officials from the Governments of Tanzania, Uganda, and Ethiopia through site visits and interviews with system managers, operators, and local experts
- Hands-on experiences on station design, electronic fare collection and business models
- Integration of walking and cycling infrastructure with public transport systems
- contracting of private operators for bus operations and the transition from informal paratransit services to a formal public transport system

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Bus Rapid Transit, Tanzania



Results

- Regional exchange of transport experts and politicians for better public transport solutions
- Providing hands-on experience and transfer knowledge and best practices
- Show how increasing accessibility supports the economic growth of Dar es Salam
- Discuss how modern public transport boosts social cohesion

