

Lomé, Togo

Partner city

Status of the project: Upcoming Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan



Basic Information

Urban area: 333 km²

Population: 1,477,660

National capital city

GDP per capita: USD 1,700 (Togo)

National GHG emissions per capita: 1.06 (tCO₂eq)

Context

Lomé is the capital and largest city of Togo and represents nearly 20% of the country's population. Lomé is located on the Gulf of Guinea and serves as an important port city, as well as a commercial and industrial hub. The city is home to various economic activities, including agriculture, manufacturing, and services.

The transport system in Lomé is primarily composed of taxis, both collectives and motorcycles. Minibuses are also present, but mostly reserved for intercity transport. The absence of a mass transit system results in significant traffic congestion and limited mobility for residents. There is no formal transport master plan, but the *Organisation du transport urbain artisanal* report from 2019 provides some relevant data for the sector.

Local institutions, including the *Délégation à l'Organisation du Secteur Informel* (DOSI), are responsible for managing the transport system. However, there are no clear mandates or responsibilities for financing mass public transport infrastructure, and institutions lack the authority to borrow from international finance sources. Although some systems and procedures exist to monitor, evaluate, and report on urban mobility, they are only partially in place.

The lack of a mass transit system and inadequate transportation infrastructure are significant challenges for the city. These problems have negative impacts on the environment, public health, and economic development. The main objective of the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP) is to develop a comprehensive transport strategy that addresses these challenges, improves mobility for residents, and contributes to sustainable urban development.

The technical assistance provided will contribute to institutional strengthening by improving the capacity of local institutions to develop and implement sustainable urban transport policies and programs. This will involve working with local stakeholders to identify key challenges, develop action plans, and establish mechanisms for monitoring and evaluating progress. By supporting the development of a SUMP, the technical assistance will help to create a more efficient, safe, and sustainable urban transport system in Lomé, ultimately benefiting the city's residents and contributing to economic growth.

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