

Press Release
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The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between ITDP and the Directorate General of Land Transportation of the Ministry of Transportation of the Republic Indonesia

Jakarta, 30 September 2021 - Efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through optimizing the use of public transportation and alternative low-emission modes have become a positive trend in world cities. To transmit this positive trend to cities in Indonesia, the Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP) initiated a collaboration with the Directorate General of Land Transportation of the Ministry of Transportation of the Republic of Indonesia through the process of signing a Memorandum of Understanding on Thursday, September 30, 2021.

The signing of the memorandum of understanding was held in a hybrid manner at the Karsa Building, Singosari Room, 3rd floor, Ministry of Transportation of the Republic of Indonesia. Attended by the **Director General of Land Transportation Drs. Budi Setiyadi, SH., M.Si, Director of ITDP Southeast Asia Faela Sufa, and by virtually ITDP Global CEO Heather Thompson.**

This collaboration will run through a series of activities entitled ***Reducing Emissions Through Integration and Optimization of Public Transport in Indonesia*** in the period August 2019 to August 2022 funded by ICI (International Climate Initiative), which one of the goals is to develop and improve low-carbon public transportation services, the creation of cycling-friendly urban spaces to mass public transportation systems that are inclusive and accessible to all communities.

With the implementation of the agreement between ITDP and the Directorate General of Land Transportation, it will support the creation of a comprehensive understanding for the implementation of the mass public transportation system. Not only limited to the Central Government, but also Provincial Governments and District/City Governments in Indonesia can have the opportunity to get capacity building regarding sustainable transportation development, including the application of gender perspective and inclusivity issues in it. As well as creating the development of a mass public transportation system that is more focused in encouraging people to switch to using public transportation services, it can also encourage the expansion of regional capacity in the implementation and service of public transportation, accelerate the study of alternative low-emission modes, and create bicycle-friendly cities.

In the signing of this Memorandum of Understanding, the Director General of Land Transportation Drs. Budi Setiyadi, SH., M.Si conveyed the government's commitment to reduce the impact caused by air pollution by reducing the use of private motorized vehicles and increasing mass public transportation services in various cities in Indonesia.

"We hope that through this MoU, there will be synchronization of work programs for one year ahead. The collaboration of knowledge and experience on the needs of cities from us and the expertise of mentoring from cities in other countries by ITDP is expected to encourage the creation of a better public

transportation system and increase regional capacity to adopt bicycle facilities,” said Drs. Budi Setiyadi, SH., M.Si.

As the CEO of ITDP, Heather Thompson stated that this collaboration could be a good start for ITDP and the Directorate General of Land Transportation in realizing ideas and concepts for infrastructure planning, implementation and operation for both mass public transportation services and also intermodal integration, to linkages to community and its socialization strategy.

"ITDP believes that the government has the authority that could change the public transportation system and non-motorized transportation in Indonesia to be more inclusive and sustainable," concluded Heather Thompson.

As the next step, ITDP will develop a series of recommendations and activities for the development of mass public transport systems and non-motorized transportation that encourage the expansion of regional capacity in its implementation.

Documentation



Download the documentation [here](#).

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