BRT – Bus Rapid Transit

".....when productivity counts"

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System Approach



Attractiveness ✓ Speed ✓ Frequency

Environment ✓ Energy efficiency ✓ Modal integration

Self finance capabilities ✓ Revenues ✓ Operational costs





BRT Elements





BRT is competitive to rail!



Relationship transport type & capacity

Relationship travel time & passenger acceptance

BRT competitive to Rail

Traditional Metro				
Light Rail				
Tram				
Bus/BRT				
Pass flow/dir/h 0	5k	10k	20k	40k



BRT – Minor Investment

For 1 billion dollars you get:

426 km of BRT

14 km of elevated rail

7 km of subway



Investment in infrastructure per km	1–10M€	50–200M€
Investment in vehicles per pass. capacity	2,000€	6,000€
Capacity (1,000 pass./h)	15–40	30–50
Average speed (km/h)	20–30	25–35
Relative investment per capacity	1	10–30
Completion of one line (year)	1–2	3–5
Operational costs	Low	High



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BRT vs. Tram

	BRT	<u>Tram</u>
Investment in infrastructure per km	1-5 M€	10-15 M€
Investment in vehicles per pass. capacity	2.000 €	6.000€
Capacity (1.000 pass./h)	10-40	10-15
Average speed (km/h)	20-30	20-30
Relative investment per capacity	1	3-15
Time from project start (year)		
From start	1	4
to completion	3-5	10-15
Flexibility in infrastructure		
	High	None
Implementation of new technology	High	Low



How to transport 10.000 persons 1 km

Passengers (numbers) (liters)	Vehicles (numbers)	Space (m²)	Fuel
5	2000	24000	200
25	400	8800	120
100	100	3400	50
175	57	2850	35
270	37	2370	26

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Fuel Consumption vs Capacity

gasoline car vs diesel buses in city cycle



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Emissions - BRT operation adds to Clean Vehicles

Vehicle technology improvements

In Göteborg we have trams.....

Characteristics of the Trunk Bus Line in Gothenburg

- 1. Part of an easy informed system
- 2. 3 minute headway in peak hours (10 min off peak)
- 3. High accessability in roads and junktions
- 4. Less stops
- 5. Boarding through all doors
- 6. Highest standard of bus stops
- 7. Real time information on stops
- 8. Highest standard of buses
- 9. Best environmental technology

BRT – Lower Boarding Time

Speed – Impact on Productivity

Volvo's Telematics - ITS4mobility

Supports the operation with functionality for all stakeholders

Puts you in control ... and the passenger in focus!

Traffic Control

Timetable/frequency monitoring Automatic vehicle location

Passenger

PTA

Travel Information

Next stop announcement, Signs mgmt, Real-time info

Operator

Fleet Management

Vehicle & driver performance Fuel management

BRT – Curitiba, Brazil

Description: The basic idea of BRT was born in Curitiba during the 1970's. The system has developed step-by-step and is now complete. Curitiba is a world reference for efficient transportation.

Km of separate infrastructure	84 km
Passenger capacity	1.000.000 pass/day
Number of buses	375 (+1100)
Bus type/length	Articulated 18m Bi-artic 25m
Floor height	High
Fuel	Diesel
Volvo market share	100%

BRT – Bogotá, Colombia

Description: Bogotá, with 7 million inhabitants, has a BRT system which is recognised for its high capacity and efficient operation. It is called "Transmilenio" and will be further extended.

Km of separate infrastructure	80 km
Passenger capacity	1.500.000 pass/day
Number of buses	1.050 (+500)
Bus type/length	Articulated 18m
Floor height	High
Fuel	Diesel
Volvo market share	55 %

BRT – Mexico City, Mexico

Description: Mexico City will start to operate the first BRT line in 2005. Today 25.000 buses operate in the city in a poorly organised operation. The ambition is to gradually expand the BRT lines to an integrated system.

Km of separate infrastructure	22 km
Passenger capacity	280.00 pass/
	day
Number of buses	97
Bus type/length	Articulated 18m
Floor height	High
Fuel	Diesel
Volvo market share	75%

BRT - Santiago, Chile

Description: Santiago, with 7 million inhabitants, will implement a BRT system, Transantiago, starting in 2005. Fully developed 4.700 buses will serve the system. There will be a blend of separate bus lines and mixed traffic. The trunk lines will use 18m low floor articulated and feeder lines with 12m low entry

Km of separate infrastructure	100 km
Passenger capacity	1.500.000 pass/day
Number of buses	1.150 (+620)
Bus type/length	Articulated 18m
Floor height	Low
Fuel	Diesel
Volvo market share	100 %

BRT – Gothenburg, Sweden

Description: Gothenburg, the home town of Volvo, has two very popular BRT lines. The system will be extended with a new line during 2007 and a few bi-artic buses are used.

Km of separate infrastructure	10 km
Passenger capacity	20.000 pass/day
Number of buses	18
Bus type/length	Articulated 18m, and 24m
Floor height	Low
Fuel	CNG (diesel 24m)
Volvo market share	100%

Volvo in co-operation with cities

> Curitiba: Artic- and Bi-Artic buses with high floor

> Bogota: Traffic planning and artic buses

> Stockholm: Artic buses with low entry

Santiago: Artic buses with Low floor

Göteborg: Bi-Artic with low floor

> Mexico: Artic buses & Trafic contr/Pass info

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