Achieving the Millennium Development Goals for Africa: The Role of Transport

A Workshop at

Institute for African Development
Cornell University
Ithaca

May 5-6, 2007

PROGRAM (4.28.07)

Notes: (i) Outside Participants arrive on May 4; (ii) Each speaker has 20 minutes presentation time.

May 5: Room B01, Johnson School

8.30-9.00 Breakfast and Registration

9.00-9.30 Workshop Opening and Welcome

Muna Ndulo, Director, Institute for African Development, Cornell University

Margaret Grieco, Napier University and Cornell University

Ravi Kanbur, Cornell University

9.30-11.00 Session I: Overview of MDGs and Transport

Chair: Muna Ndulo, Cornell University

Zaza M. Ramandimbiarison, SSATP Program, World Bank

Transport Strategy Responsive to Poverty Reduction and Economic Growth

Deborah Bryceson, University of Oxford

MDG Targets and Transport Concerns in Africa: Roadmapping Development

John Mbwana, Cornell University
Transport--A Great Servant But a Terrible Master: Re-framing Its Role in Support of MDGs in Africa

11.00-11.30 Break

11.30-12.45 Session II: Regional and Spatial Integration

Chair: Ravi Kanbur, Cornell University

Robert Okello, Economic Commission for Africa
*Financing Regional Projects in Africa*

Ed Mabaya, Cornell University
*Transportation Costs and Spatial Integration of Agricultural Commodity Markets in Africa*

12.45-2.00 Lunch

2.00-3.30 Session III: Ground Level Perspectives

Chair: Elizabeth Seward, Cornell University

Talia McCRay, University of Rhode Island
*After the Road Has Been Paved, Then What? Developing an Accessibility Focus for Africa.*

Rachel Reichenbach, Cornell University
*Transport and MDGs -- Perspectives from a Nairobi Slum*

Betty Babyire Ddungu, Socio-Economic Impact Analysis Group, Kampala
*Progress and Challenges of Meeting the MDGs in Uganda: The Role of Transport*

3.30-4.00 Break

4.00-5.30 Session IV: Employment and Poverty Reduction at the Local Level

Chair: Yael Levitte, Cornell University

Ronald McQuaid, Napier University
Linking Transport to Employment Creation and Poverty Reduction

Tatenda Mbara, University of Zimbabwe
The Significance of Local Level Rural Transport Infrastructure Provision in Poverty Alleviation

Yoichi Sakurin, Mitsubishi Research Institute, Japan
Introduction of the Roadside Station as a Pro-poor Infrastructure - Its Possible Roles in Attainment of MDGs in Africa.

7.00 Conference Dinner (By Invitation)

May 6: Room B01, Johnson School

8.30-9.00 Breakfast

9.00-10.15 Session V: Infrastructure and Environment
Chair: Kifle Gebremedhin, Cornell University

Michael Bell, Imperial College, University of London
Port Infrastructure and Development in Southern Africa

John Nelson, University of Newcastle
Sustainable Transport Technologies for Developing Environments: Towards Appropriate Investment Strategies

10.15-10.45 Break

10.45-12.15 Session VI: Gender, Age and Health
Chair: Margaret Grieco, Napier University and Cornell University

Deladem Kusi-Appouh, Cornell University
Access to Transport & Transport to Access: Healthcare and Mobility Among Young Adults in Developing Countries

Jeffery M. Turner, Independent Consultant
Mobility, Maternal Mortality and Mainstreaming Gender - A Need for Action
Gina Porter, University of Durham

_Children, Mobility and Transport in Sub-Saharan Africa: Implications for Meeting the MDGs_

12.15-12.45  Workshop Closing and Next Steps

Muna Ndulo, Director, Institute for African Development, Cornell University

Margaret Grieco, Napier University and Cornell University

Ravi Kanbur, Cornell University

12.45  Lunch and Departure