

Clean Air Initiative for Asian Cities

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Male Declaration: Fifth Regional Stakeholders cum
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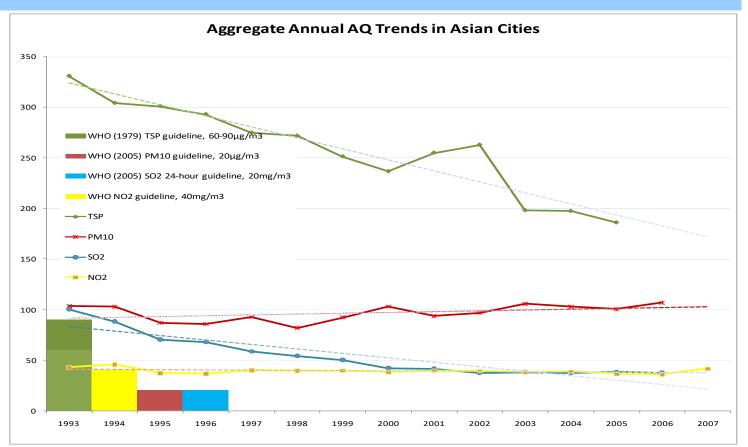


"The Clean Air Initiative for Asian Cities promotes and demonstrates innovative ways to improve the air quality of Asian cities through sharing experiences and building partnerships"





Business Case for Addressing Air Pollution

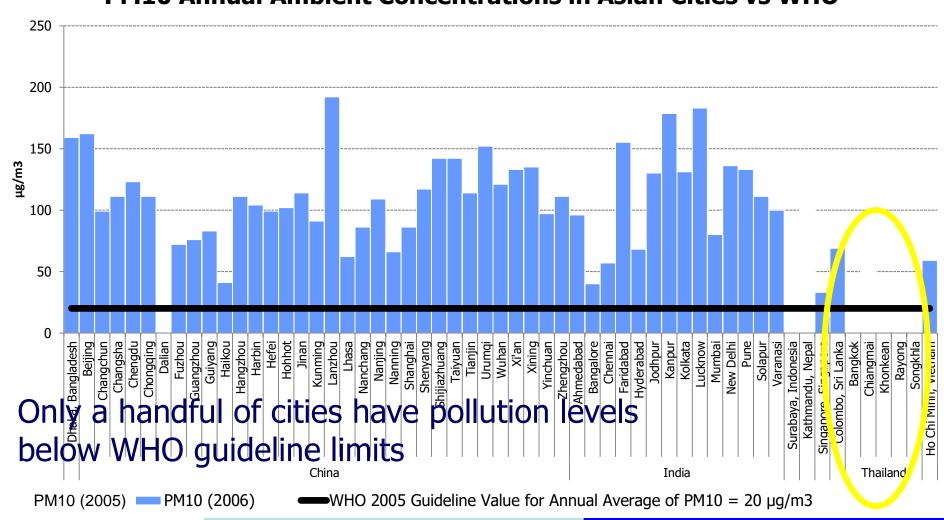


- Past efforts have contributed to a slow but steady reduction in urban levels of main air pollutants
- Air pollution might worsen due to exponential increases in energy use, vehicle ownership and industrial growth in Asia



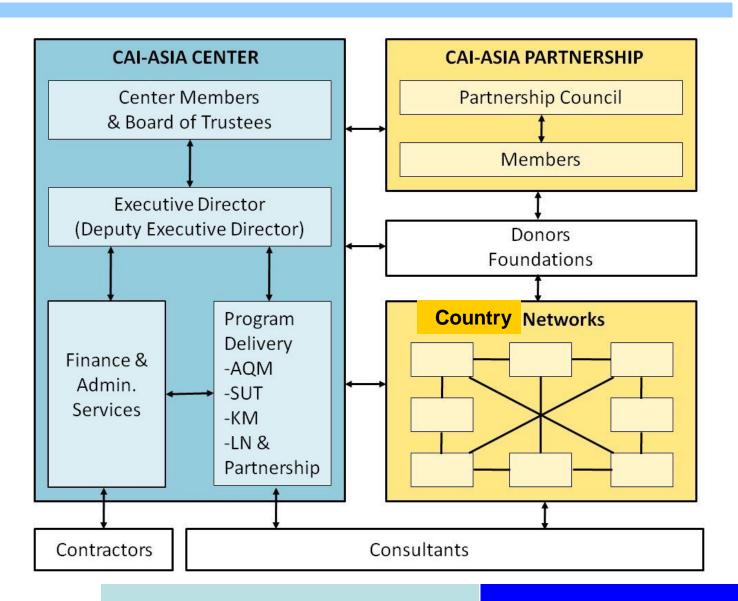
PM levels in Asia – versus WHO guideline values

PM10 Annual Ambient Concentrations in Asian Cities vs WHO





CAI-Asia - Structure





Country networks

Nepal

Clean Air Network - Nepal Coordinator: Gopal Raj Joshi gopal.joshi@cai-asia.org www.cleanaimet.org/cann

Pakistan

Pakistan Clean Air Network Hosted by IUCN Coordinator: Mohammad Agib mohammad.agib@iucnp.org Technical Advisor: Ahmad Saeed Head Ecosystems and Livelihoods Group, IUCN Pakistan www.cleanairnet.org/pcan

Sri Lanka

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China

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Viet Nam Viet Nam Clean Air Partnership Hosted by Swiss-Vietnamese Clean Air Program Coordinator: Nguyen Hoang Yen yen.nguyen@cai-asia.org www.cleanairnet.org/vcap

Philippines

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Hosted by Manila

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Partnership for Clean Air

Indonesia

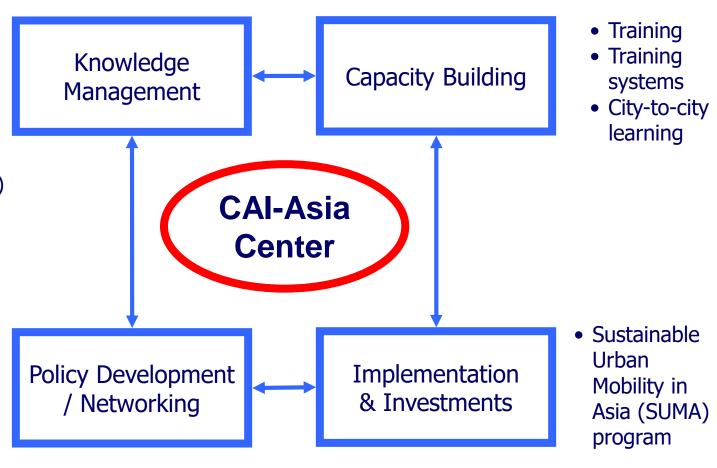
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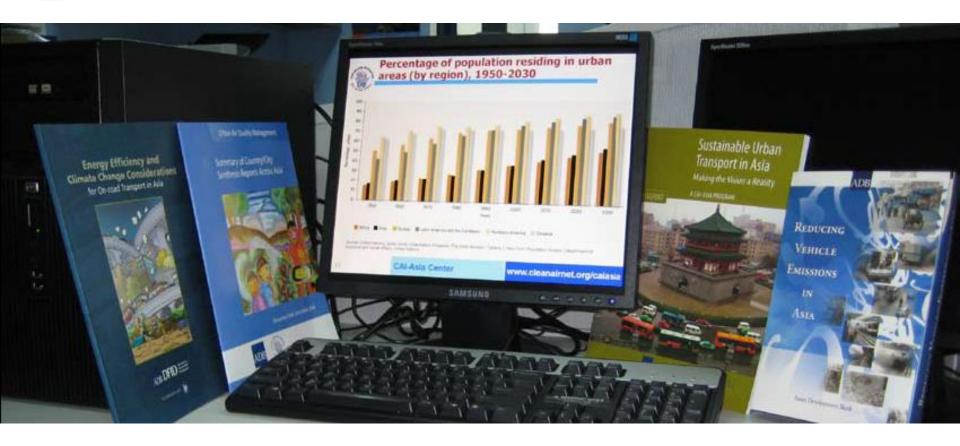
Main CAI-Asia Center activities

- Website
- Surveys
- Newsletter
- CitiesACT database & compendium
- Listserv (e-group)
- Policy dialogues
- BAQ conference
- Local policy development
- Long-Term Vision on Urban Air Quality
- Gov't Meeting on UAQM
- Regional networks





Enhancing Knowledge for AQM



Innovative solutions can only be acquired when knowledge is shared openly and applied by policy makers and AQM practitioners.



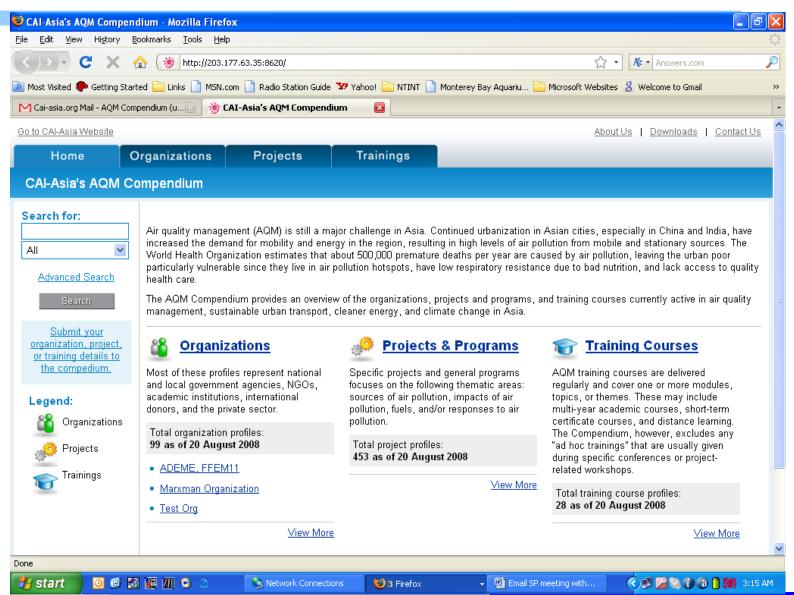
Website: Getting the message out

www.cleanairnet.org/caiasia





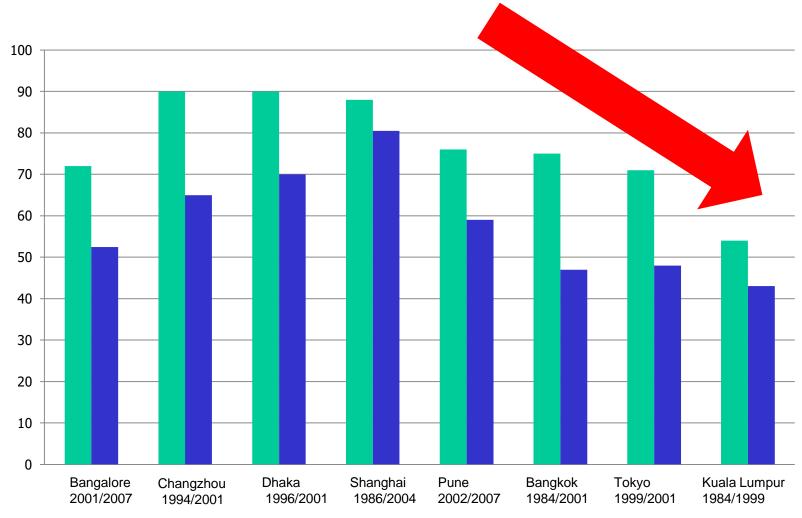
AQM Compendium: Who's doing what?





Keeping track of trends: Public transport & NMT share

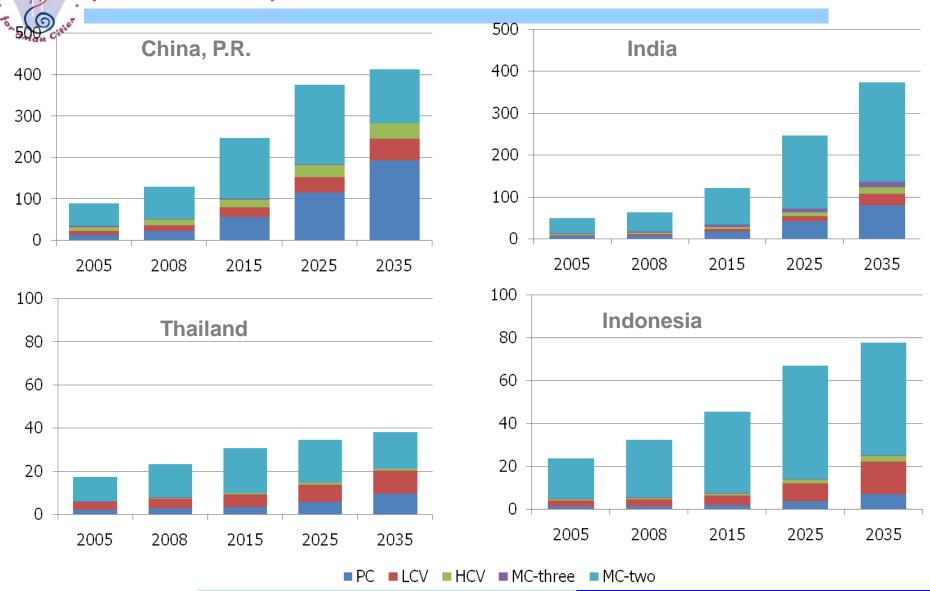




Blue: Old Trip Share Red: New Trip Share

Trends: Vehicle growth forecast in Asia

(in millions of vehicles)





Trends: Growth of electric motorcycles

- China now produces 16 million E-bikes per year from 40,000 in 1998
- E-bikes are now in the majority in many of the Chinese cities
- E-bikes have an advantage in air pollutants over traditional motor cycles, and cars
- E- bikes can result in other environmental problems – lead acid batteries

Source: Preliminary results: Environmental Impacts of E-Bikes in Chinese Market, Christopher Cherry-University of Tennessee Jonathan Weinert-Univ. of CA-Davis & Chevron, Yang Xinmiao-Tsinghua University



Bus Rapid Transit in Asia*

Systems in operation (17):

Akita, Japan Jakarta, Indonesia Nigata, Japan

Ankara, Turkey Kanazuwa, Japan Pune, India

Beijing, China Kunming, China Seoul, South Korea

Fukuoka, Japan Miyazaki, Japan Shijiazhuang, China

Gifu, Japan Nagaoka, Japan Taipei, China

Hangzhou, China Nagoya, Japan

Systems in planning or under construction (37):

Ahmedabad, India Incheon, South Korea Shenzhen, China

Bangalore, India Indore, India Surabaya, Indonesia

Bangkok, Thailand Jaipur, India Surat, India

Bhopal, India Jinan, China T'aichung, China

Chiang Mai, Thailand Karachi, Pakistan T'ainan, China

Chengdu, China Makati City, Philippines Tienjing, China

Chongging, China Metro Manila, Philippines Wuhan, China

Colombo, Sri-Lanka Metro Cebu, Philippines Wuxi, China

Delhi, India Mysore, India Vijaywada, India

Guangzhou, China Pimpri-Chinchwad, India Vishakhapatnam, India

Huai'an, China Rajkot, India Xi'an, China

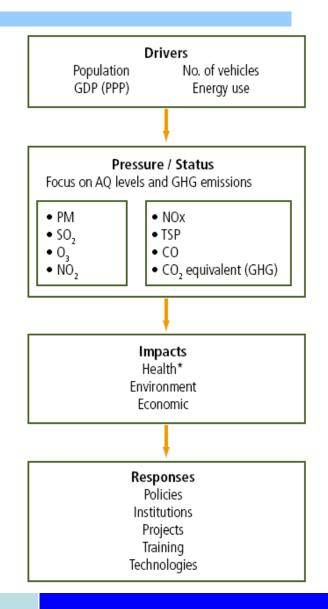
Hyderabad, India Shanghai, China Xiamen, China

Shenyang, China



CitiesACT portal: Coming Online Soon!

- CitiesACT portal with
 - **A**ir quality,
 - -Climate change, and
 - **T**ransport data and information
- To be launched at Better Air Quality 2008 workshop (12-14 November, Bangkok)





Building Capacity for Effective AQM



To advance AQM in Asia, there is a need to build the capacity of individuals as well as of organizations and institutions



Building Capacity for Effective AQM

Ability to improve AQN

Individual training

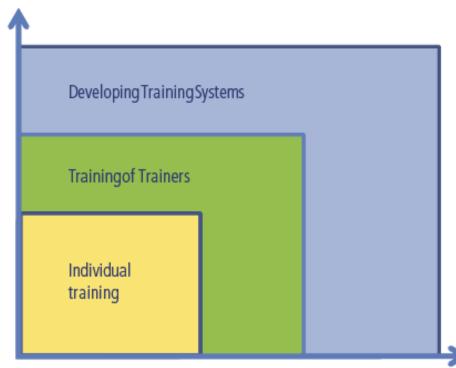
- Basic AQM training course
- Emissions inventory course
- City-to-city visits
- Exchange program

Training of trainers

- Sustainable urban transport training under SUMA
- Mass rapid transit
- Transport demand management
- Non-motorized transport

Developing training systems

- Chinese Improved Training System for Air Quality Management (proposal submitted to Norway)
- Initial discussion with Ministry of Personnel and Training, India



Number of individuals & organizations reached



Working Side by Sidewith Governments and Stakeholders



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- Long Term Vision on Urban Air Quality
 - UNEP and CAI-Asia Center
 - Describes the desired state of AQM in Asian cities
 - Can help inspire Asian cities and countries in the development of their AQM policies and programmes
- Assisting policy development at the national and local level
 - CAI-Asia Center and Swiss-Vietnamese Clean Air Program (SVCAP), assisted the Viet Nam government with its 2007 State of the Environment (SoE) report
 - World Bank, the CAI-Asia Center and the Partnership for Clean Air, drafted administrative orders to implement the Citizen Suit provision of the Philippine Clean Air Act



Working Side by Side

with Governments and Stakeholders

Better Air Quality (BAQ) Workshop

- Venue to discuss research, policies and concrete actions regarding air quality management
- Held every two years
- Attended by up to 1,000 policy makers and AQM stakeholders to discuss research, policies and concrete actions.











Actions are needed to make a real difference, and investments are needed to pay for actions





Sustainable Urban Mobility in Asia (SUMA) Program

Works with Asian cities and countries to strengthen the formulation and implementation of sustainable urban transportation and air quality management policies

Ahmedabad BRT



Cycling inclusive planning for Pune and Nanded



Investment and Implementation to Make a Real Difference

SUMA in a Nutshell

The SUMA Program aims to "Accelerate the development of capacity for urban AQM and SUT in Asia through better integration of AQM. and SUT in the strategies, policies, programs, and projects of developing countries in Asia and development agencies." The CAI-Asia Center manages and implements the SUMA program in partnership with:

- German Technical Agency for International Cooperation-Sustainable Urban Transport Project (GTZ-SUTP)
- Interface for Cycling Expertise (I-CE)
- · Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP)
- The United Nations Centre for Regional Development (UNCRD)
- The World Resources Institute Center for Sustainable Transport EMBARQ (EMBARQ-WRI)
- Experts: Marie Thynell, a social specialist from Gothenburg University in Sweden, and Christopher Cherry and Jonathan Weinert, transport specialists, who did their dissertation on electric bikes in China at UC Berkeley and UC Davis

Activities under SUMA are implemented under the following categories:

Knowledge Management

- Indian City Survey on SUT
- Study 2-3 wheelers
- Social Impact Assessment Guidelines
- · Environmental impacts of e-bikes
- Cycling inclusive planning quidelines
- · Position paper on role of cycling in Asia

Capacity Building

- SUT training-of-trainers courses
- Pre-event courses at BAQ 2008, Bangkok
- Training at seminars, workshops

Networking & Policy Dialogue

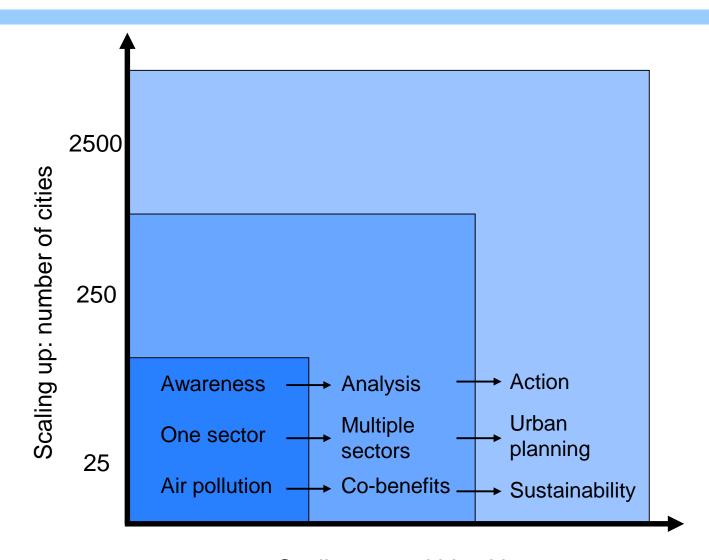
- SUT in regional policy discussions
- Policy in SUT/AQM initiatives
- · National Policy and Action Plan for EST in Philippines
- BRT Network for Asia
- CAI-Asia Local Networks in 8+ countries
- SUT/AQM events

Pilot Projects

- Service plan for the Ahmedabad BRT system
- Bikeways pilot project in Pune and Nanded
- New pilot projects
- Specialist advice



Integration and scaling-up



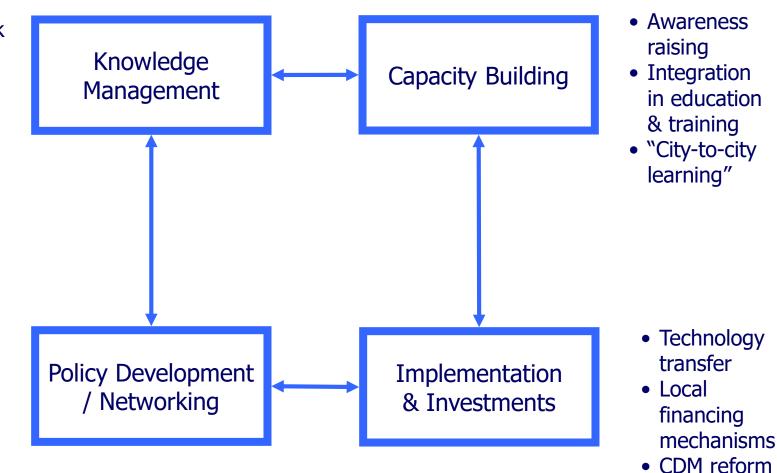
Scaling out: within cities



Integration and scaling-up: how to go about it

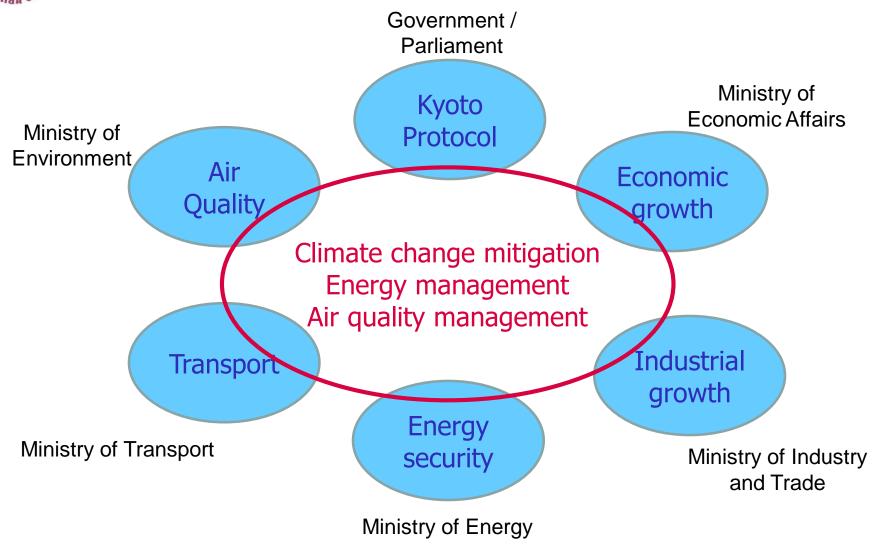
- AP & CC link research
 Accessible knowledge
- Tools

- Networks
- Integrated policies & treaties
- Integrated institutions
- Policy mix



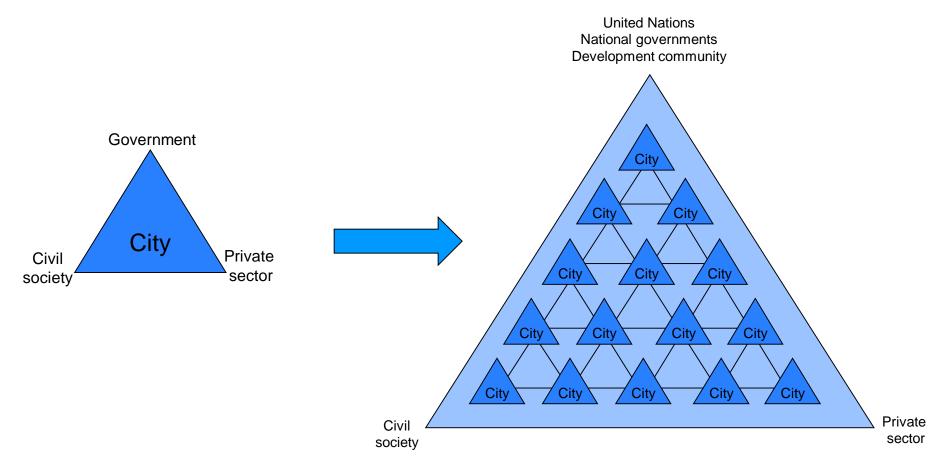


Example of integration





Scaling up: city to city networks





Co-benefits:

Addressing Air Pollution and Climate Change

Addressing urban air pollution provides a unique opportunity to mitigate global climate change through local actions RIGHT NOW.

Air Pollution

- Low-sulfur coal
- Smokestack controls
- Catalytic converters
- Evaporative controls

Adapted from Jason West et al (2002)

Co-Benefits

- Clean fuels/renewables
- Energy efficiency programs
- Methane gas recovery
- Diesel Particle Filters
- Public transport and land use
- Retirement of older vehicles
- Efficiency standards for new vehicles/appliances
- Inspection and maintenance programs

Climate Change

- Geological and terrestrial sequestration
- Land use and land use change
- Control of other GHGs (N₂O, HFCs, PFCs, SF₆)

"Integrating air pollution abatement and climate change mitigation policies offers potentially large cost reductions compared to treating those policies in isolation." - IPCC



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