

# Colombia National Urban Transit Program

## Green Bond Criteria: Mitigation

Greater efficiency in urban mass transport

## Expected Results include:

- Reduction of average travel time for low income riders.
- Reduction of accidents and pollution (including greenhouse gases) associated with bus transport services
- Increased access to the disabled, and other riders with special needs.

## IBRD Loan Amount (in millions):

US\$300 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Add Financing Integrated Mass Transit System

US\$350 – Support to the National Urban Transit Program



## Country Challenge

75% of Colombia's population currently lives in cities and most of these urban residents rely on the public transportation system. Yet, public transportation is the cause of many of these cities' problems, including serious traffic congestion, high incidences of accidents and crime, unhealthy air, and pollutants responsible for 62% of Colombia's carbon emissions.

## Project Goals.

The Colombian government and the World Bank are working together through the National Urban Transit Program. Building on the success of *Transmilenio*, a bus rapid transit (BRT) system in Bogotá, the project is designed to increase ridership in BRT systems in five other cities (Barranquilla, Bucaramanga, Medellín, Cartagena, and Pereira) to reach about 1.3 million passengers per day, improving accessibility, and reducing pollutant emissions.

**For more information:** <http://www.worldbank.org/projects/P117947/support-national-urban-transport-program-project?lang=en>

**Videos:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HzUjAZvviU> and [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1K9O\\_gKB1V8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1K9O_gKB1V8)