



Transport Planning Senior Consultant

Location: Cairo, Egypt

ITDP Africa

Organization

The Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP) promotes sustainable and equitable transport worldwide. ITDP is a nonprofit organization headquartered in New York City with offices in Africa, Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Mexico, and the United States. ITDP's programs focus on bus rapid transit, non-motorized transport, travel demand management, parking, transport policy, and urban development. More information about ITDP can be found at www.itdp.org.

ITDP has played a role in several projects in the African region, including the implementation of high-quality bus rapid transit (BRT) systems, cycling networks, and pedestrian projects. ITDP played a pivotal role in the implementation of Johannesburg's silver-standard Rea Vaya BRT corridors and in Cape Town's MyCiTi BRT. ITDP also supported the development of the Dar Rapid Transit BRT system in Dar es Salaam. ITDP is currently preparing a Sustainable Mobility Plan for the city of Kisumu and working on street designs to reclaim street space for pedestrians in Ruiru.

About the Position

ITDP looking for a candidate with a strong commitment to equity and sustainability and passion to improve urban life in Egypt. Based in Cairo, Egypt, for a six-month term, the Transport Planning Senior Consultant will play a key role engaging with a diverse set of people—government officials, public transport operators, civil society partners and others—to build support for sustainable and equitable urban transport. The Consultant will also provide technical input and project management support, contributing to the conceptualization, design, and implementation of sustainable transport solutions. The Consultant's primary focus will be on the Cairo BRT project, and may also include projects related to street design, parking management, and urban development policy.

The job will entail a significant amount of stakeholder meetings, fieldwork, and supervision of surveys. The candidate must have an excellent command of written and spoken English and Arabic. The Consultant will be based in Cairo and will report to the Africa Program Director. S/he will work closely with other ITDP staff, international experts, and the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) office in Cairo.

Responsibilities

- Build support among with senior decision makers and encourage them to implement sustainable transport initiatives.
- Coordinate project activities related to the Cairo BRT project and other ongoing initiatives, including data studies, data analysis, report preparation, and design review.
- Gather information on international best practices in transport system design and apply lessons learned in locally.
- Conduct trainings of government officials in operations assessment and system planning.
- Prepare terms of reference documents for the appointment of consultants for bus operations, IT systems and infrastructure design for public transport systems.
- Work with the Communications Team to create communications materials that facilitate implementation of ITDP initiatives. Interact with among civil society organizations, media, and other partners to build support for sustainable transport initiatives.
- Other duties as assigned.

Key Qualifications

- A master's degree in transportation planning, transportation engineering, city planning, or other relevant field.
- 10+ years of relevant professional experience.
- Excellent writing and speaking skills in English and Arabic required.
- Familiarity with transport planning including survey design and management; demand analysis; and network planning. Knowledge of transport modelling preferred.
- Deep knowledge of key public and private stakeholders in the transport sector in Cairo.
- Understanding of fare systems and policies; fiscal regimes for public transport operations; and IT systems.
- Experience with Excel, Access, CAD, GIS software, Adobe suite, and Emme or equivalent transport modeling software preferred.

Key Attributes

- Strong commitment to advancing ITDP's mission and to environmental and social justice.
- Excellent research and analytical skills. You should enjoy working with numbers!
- Demonstrated ability to manage people and projects to successful project outcomes.
- Strong communication skills, including preparing effective graphics and making powerful presentations.
- Ability to communicate complex transport issues through concise, compelling messages.
- Ability to manage multiple priorities and projects with flexibility, work well under pressure and keep to deadlines.
- Ability to maintain high standards while contributing pragmatic ideas.
- Availability to travel frequently.

How to apply

This position is for a six-month term with a possibility of extension and is based in Cairo, Egypt. Local candidates will be given preference. Interested applicants can apply by sending the following information to africa-jobs@itdp.org with “Transport Planning Senior Consultant” in the subject line:

- Resume.
- Samples of written work: thesis abstract, technical reports, etc.
- Samples of visual representations such as GIS maps or infographics.
- A one-page note on improving the bus system in your city (with three specific interventions).

We are unable to consider applications without the above details. The position will remain open until filled.