

TECHNOLOGICAL TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM FOR BOGOTÁ'S INTEGRATED PUBLIC TRANSPORT SYSTEM

Responses to External Evaluation Report

Conclusions and Recommendations:

- Reviewer:** “According to the CTF Investment Criteria for Public Sector Operations, the proposed project is a clear fit. It complies with all principles and specific criteria, and it has designated features that address potential risks”

Team Response: We agree that this project meets all the CTF criteria. The project will provide additionally to the Integrated Public Transport System through CTF resources and will contribute to overcome initial barriers for the use of clean technologies. Moreover, Bogotá has been a regional pioneer in mass transport, thus increasing the potential of the project to be replicated in other cities of the region
- Reviewer:** “Notwithstanding, it is recommended that the project proposes the adoption of operational premium compensation for clean technologies in other cities of Colombia, so that the project can be replicated and scaled up”.

Team Response: The replication in other Colombian cities will depend, in great measure, of the success of this initiative in Bogotá. Bogotá is pioneering in the country with the integration of Bus Rapid Transit service and the rest of the public transport services through the SITP. This is an extremely ambitious, multi-year, multi-administration project. The degree of success of Bogota will determine its scale-up potential in other cities of Colombia and will enable the replication of incentives such as the adoption of premium compensations in public transport concession contracts.
- Reviewer:** “Also, as 282 is a relatively small number of vehicles compared with the 4000 vehicles to be replaced in the coming years in Bogotá, it is recommended that additional financial incentives be prepared and ready to help streamline a larger sustained demand for the clean transport vehicles”.

Team Response: The preparation of additional incentives requires a strong political support due to the potential associated financial costs. Bogota is, however, very interested on incorporating clean technologies in the SITP. Therefore the city is exploring additional incentives and alternatives to the existing ones. This was noted to the team during the various project preparatory visits. However it is unclear at this stage when these additional incentives will be enacted given that the city may want to test the market response with the existing ones and afterwards take a decision whether additional incentives are necessary.