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Integrated public transportation master plan for Bandung Metropolitan Area

Grant agreement between France and Indonesia

On Wednesday, July 15th 2009, the Director General of Debt Management of the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Indonesia, Mr Rahmat Waluyanto, and the Ambassador of France in Indonesia, Mr Philippe Zeller, signed a grant agreement related to consulting services for an integrated public transportation master plan for Bandung Metropolitan Area. A maximum amount of 690 000 EUR (approx. 10 Bln IDR, or 1 MUSD) will be available under the scope of this grant.

Smart public transport system is widely recognised as a vector for sustainable development, pollution reduction, poverty alleviation and better quality of life. The objective of this project is to formulate a set of detailed urban transport policy, strategy and master plan for the overall transportation system in Bandung metropolitan area, and to prepare related action plans for urban transportation development, such as infrastructures development, public transportation operation and management, and institutional organization.

The project will be carried out by the renowned French consulting company SNCF International, under the authority of the Ministry of Transportation / Directorate General of Land Transportation, and in close interaction with West Java Region, Regional Service of Transport, BAPPEDA, City of Bandung, municipalities and districts of Bandung metropolitan area, and all stakeholders from civil society to transportation companies and professional associations. The consulting company will also involve local expertise from Bandung Institute of Technology ITB.

This grant comes under the Emerging Countries Facility (FASEP - Fonds d'Etudes et d'Aide au Secteur Privé) managed by the Treasury and Economic Policy Directorate General of the French Ministry of Economy, Industry and Employment. This facility is primarily dedicated to provide financial assistance in the preparation of infrastructure projects related to transportation, water management, services and energy. This grant contributes to the official development aid of France to Indonesia.

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