



3rd Generation Planning Project in Libya, December 2008

Dear Reader,

This Newsletter presents some highlights of the Project up to end of December 2008. It is primarily intended for people working in the Project and does not intend to give a complete overview of the work involved. The Newsletter and more information about the Project can also be found on WSP Homepage. Please also note that the Newsletter has an informal character and that its content does not imply official endorsement by NCB or UPA.

If you have ideas or questions about the Project, please contact the Project Technical Manager, Mr. Hasse Ericsson
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GI Manager leaves the project

GI Manager, **Mathias Rantanen**, completed his contract and left the project in the end of November. Mathias has made valuable and committed contributions to the project and has been a much appreciated senior staff member. He will take upon new challenges in the Municipality of Falkenberg in Sweden. We wish him good luck in his future assignment.



New Project Members



Ms **Viktoria Fagerlund** joined the Project as an Urban Planner in October. She has recently been working in the Municipality of Linköping in Sweden as an Urban Planner. She has 9 years of experience from planning both as a consultant and as a planner at Local Authority level.



Mr **Masoom Mohammed Abdul** joined the Project as an Urban Planner in November. He was previously working with Department of Town and Country Planning in Government of Kerala, India, where he served as an Urban Planner for 12 years.



Mr **Harinath Reddy** joined the project as a GIS Engineer / Quality Control in December. He has previously been working with Foster Wheeler in Queensland, Australia. He is originally from Hyderabad in India.

Old chap comes back



Mr **Anders Bernhardsson**, Assistant Transport Planner, has returned to the project on a short term assignment. Anders is still working with WSP in Stockholm.

Highlights



Study tour to Sweden

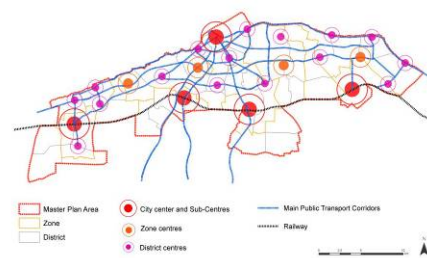
A delegation of 4 planners from UPA lead by the Executive Manager Abdulhafid Elmodi and 2 representatives from NCB visited different planning authorities in Stockholm, Karlskrona, Malmö and Copenhagen during the first week of December. The study tour was organized by the project.



Tripoli Master Plan

The preparation of the draft Master Plan for Greater Tripoli is almost complete. The first part of the plan – Situation Analysis – has been submitted to UPA.

FUNCTIONAL STRUCTURE - MAIN CENTRES AND NODES



Continued work with Master Plans

The Urban Planning team will continue the work on new Master Plans for eight different cities and settlements. This is only the first part of a great number of settlements that need new Master Plans.



I would like to thank all members of staff and our partners for all efforts and contribution to the project during this year, and wish you a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

Hasse Ericsson, Technical Manager

BACKGROUND

WSP International is assisting National Consulting Bureau (NCB) to provide Urban Planning Agency (UPA) with a state of the art planning portfolio of regional, sub-regional, master and detailed plans for the Tripoli Region. The 3rd Generation Planning Project also includes updated spatial data including satellite imagery, orthophotos and digital basemaps. The project started in 2005 and ends in 2009.

