

Low Emission Development Strategies and Transportation: APEC and U.S. work on LEDS through the LEDS Global Partnership and the Enhancing Capacity for LEDS program

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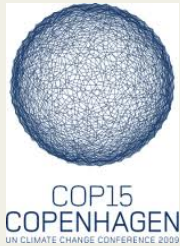
- First APEC LEDS and transport workshop was held in San Francisco, California in the U.S. at SOM III in September 2011
- Two-day workshop with excellent participation and a range of economies represented
- Explored the intersection of LEDS and transportation
- Featured presentations and case studies from several APEC economies, including: Philippines, Mexico, Vietnam, the U.S. and Japan

APEC LEADS Leaders Statement

“We are committed to advancing our shared green growth objectives. We can and must address both the region’s economic and environmental challenges by speeding the transition toward a global low-carbon economy in a way that enhances energy security and creates new sources of economic growth and employment...Incorporate low-emissions development strategies into our economic growth plans and leverage APEC to push forward this agenda, including through the Low-Carbon Model Town and other projects...”

–2011 APEC Leader’s Declaration, Honolulu, Hawaii

LEDS in UN climate agreements:



Copenhagen (2009): “A low emission development strategy is indispensable for sustainable development”

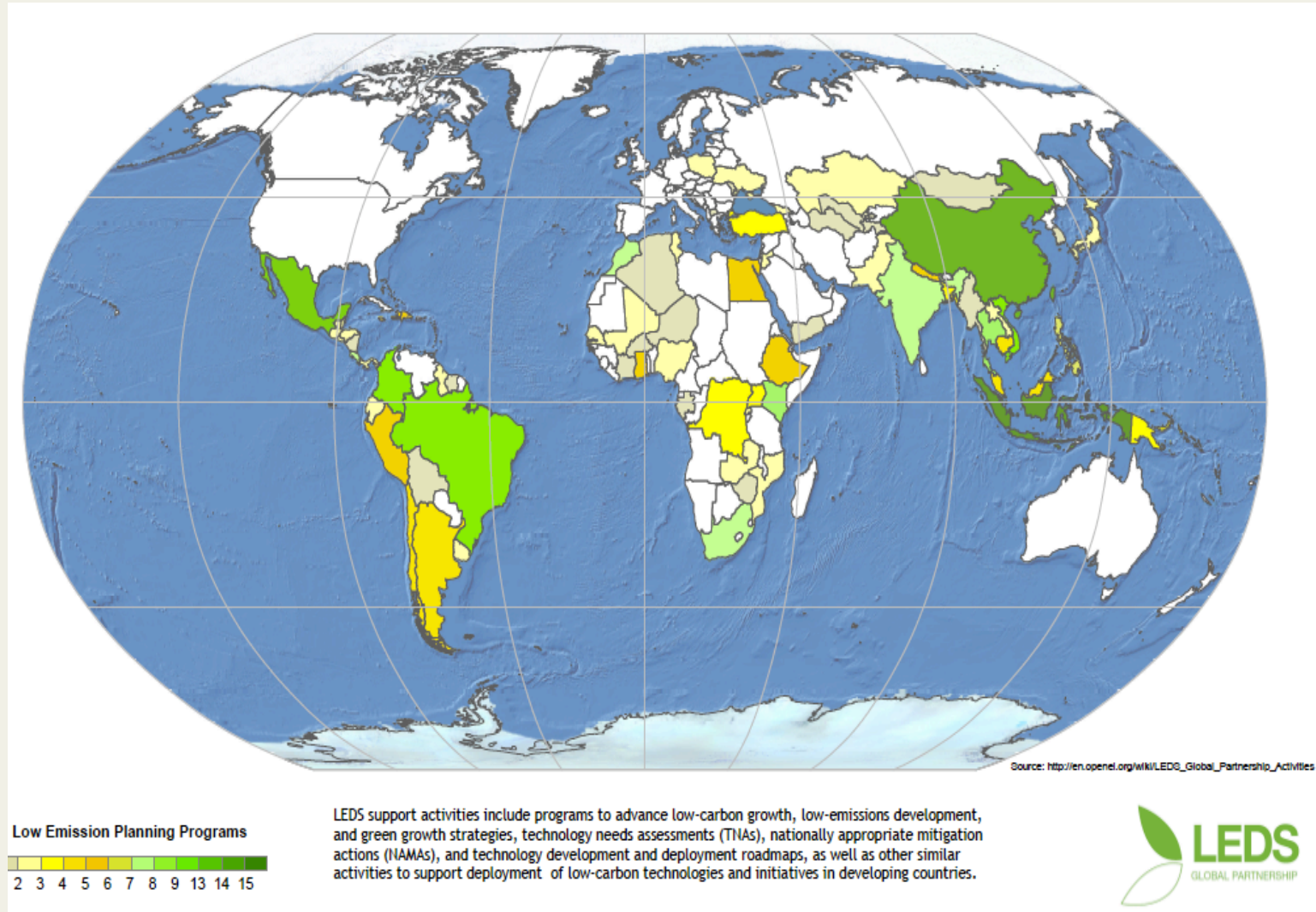


Cancun (2010): “Decides that **developed countries should develop low carbon strategies or plans...**” “**Encourages developing countries to develop low carbon development strategies or plans in the context of sustainable development...**”



Durban (2011): “Invites developed country Parties to submit information related to progress towards the formulation of their low-emission development strategies...” “**Encourages developing country Parties to develop low-emission development strategies, recognizing the need for financial and technical support by developed country Parties for the formulation of these strategies.**” (and other references)

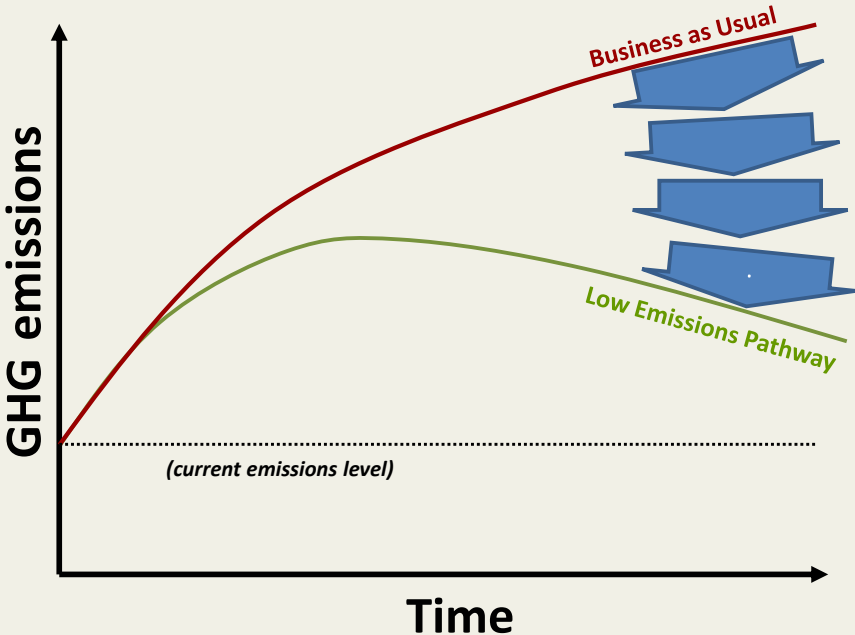
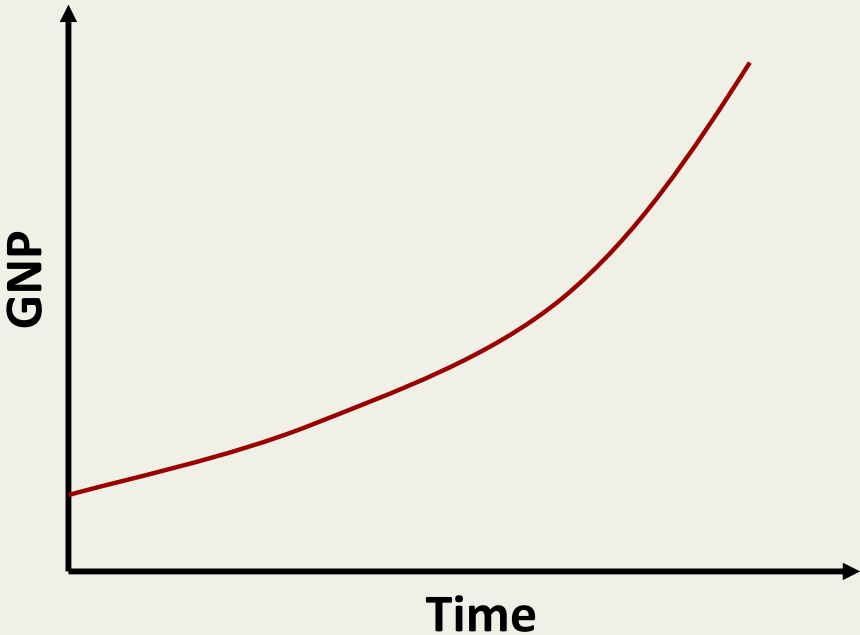
Global Trends in LEDS Support



The Goal of a LEDS:

Grow the economy...

... while reducing emissions:



The U.S. advances capacity building on LEDS through two main efforts:

Bilateral

The Enhancing Capacity for LEDS program



Multilateral

The LEDS Global Partnership



Group Discussion: Objectives for Today

1. What is the biggest challenge you face in advancing sustainable transportation in your economy?
2. What is the biggest opportunity you see?
3. What do you hope to take away from our discussions today?