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BUSINESS MODELS FOR ELECTRIC BUS ADOPTION

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PRESENTATION STRUCTURE

- What is electromobility?
- Why is its implementation important in public transport?
- What are the components of the electric bus business model?
 - a. Investment components
 - b. Funding sources
 - c. Financial products
 - d. Delivery mechanisms
- Study Case: Bogotá

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Emerging trends and innovations in business models for electric bus adoption

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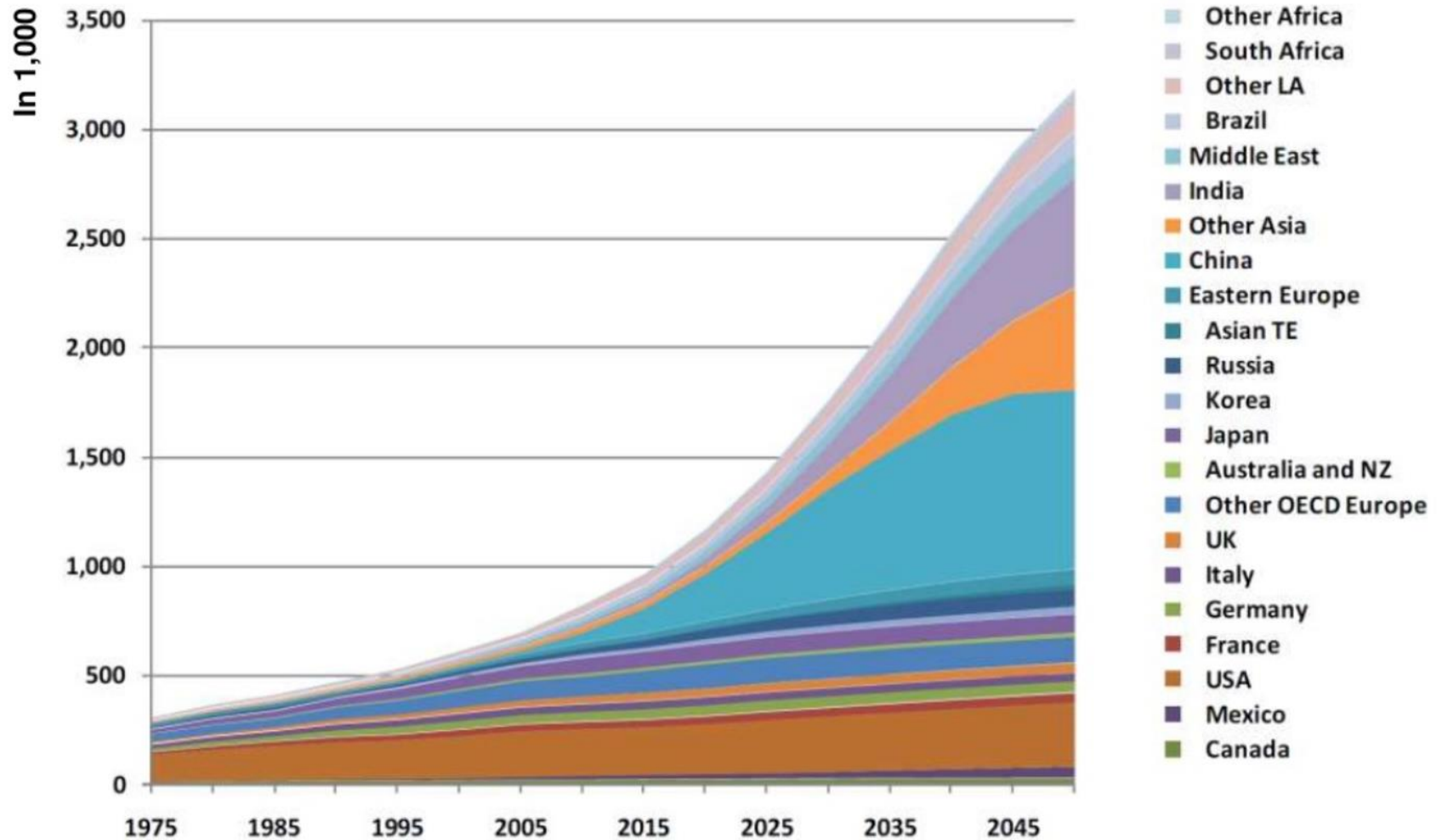
THE CURRENT GLOBAL VEHICLE STOCK IS CLOSE TO 1.7 BILLION

AND COULD INCREASE TO 3.87 BILLION BY 2050



Sitty and Taft, "What will the global light-duty vehicle fleet look like through 2050?", 2016
Photo: Whitehotpix

WITH MOST GROWTH HAPPENING IN DEVELOPING ECONOMIES



At the same time, mobility is changing

Mobility is changing



...drivers will no longer be needed

Mobility is changing

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4x4's, Suv's, Vans addl per Day 6.76
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late & monthly payments
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...we will no longer own cars

Mobility is changing

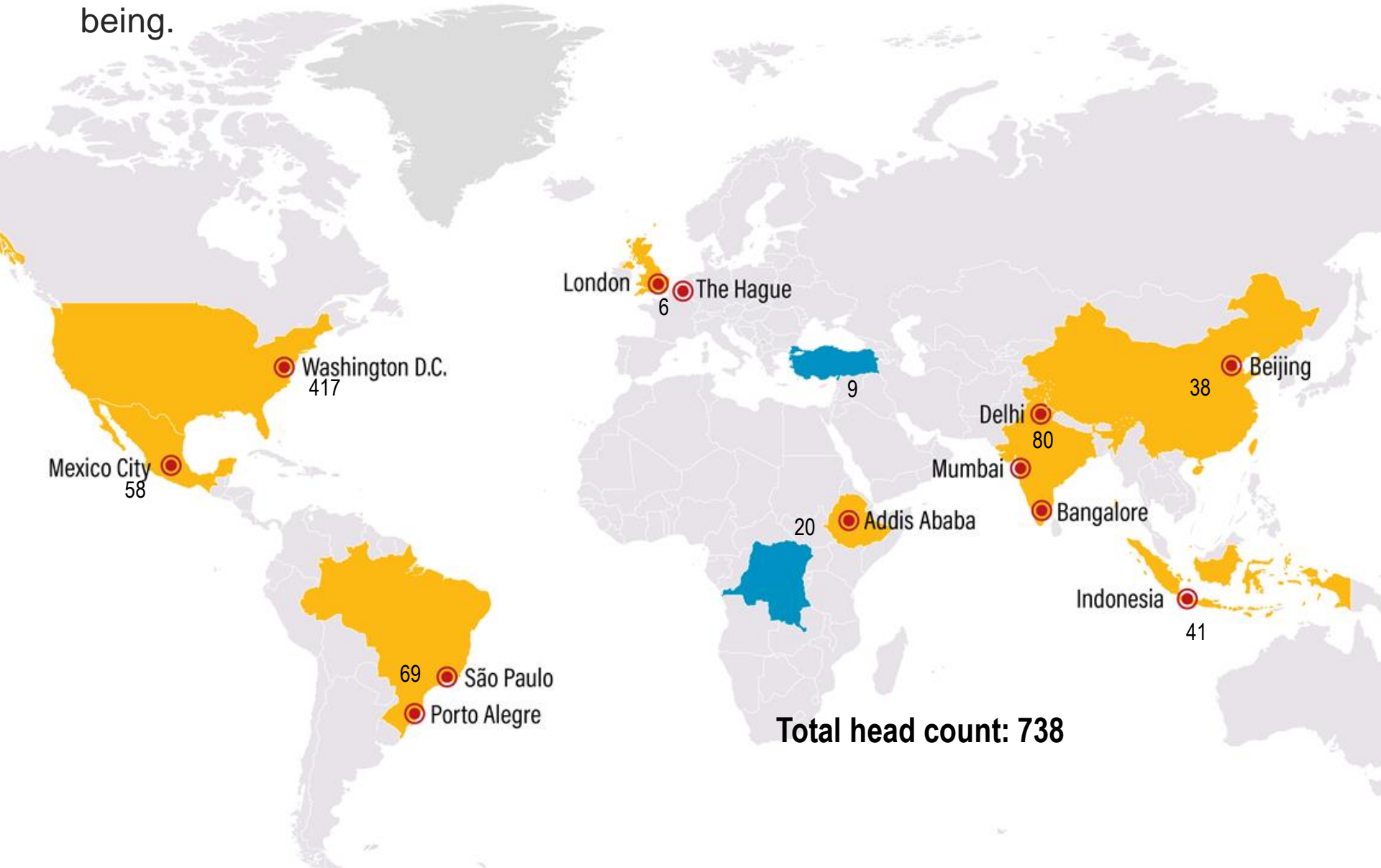


...automobiles will no longer pollute

THESE DISRUPTIONS CAN LEAD TO THRIVING SUSTAINABLE CITIES... OR NOT

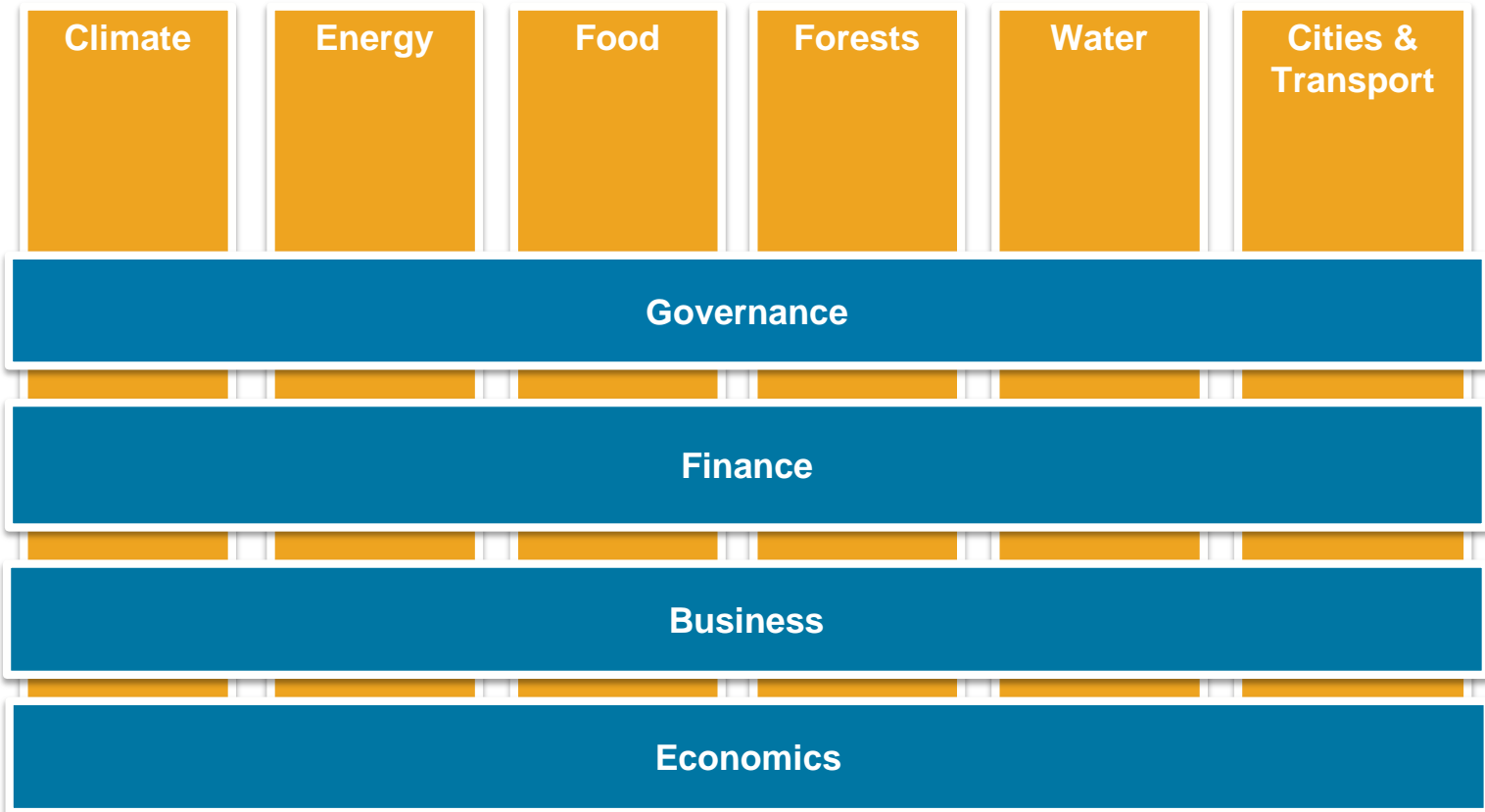
Much depends on how we manage and direct these
transitions.

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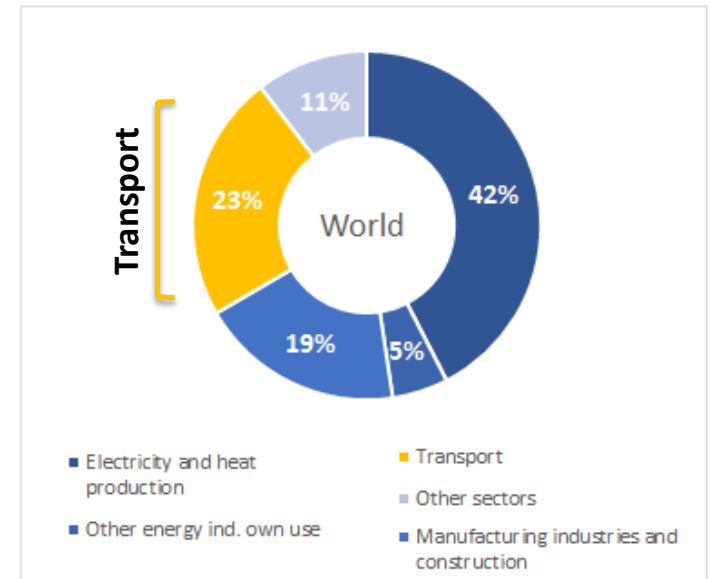
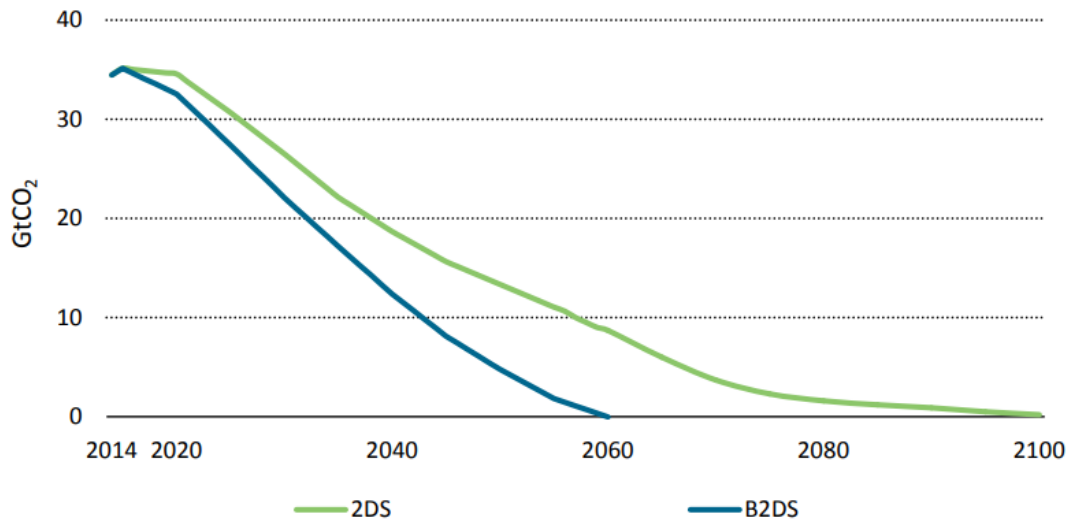
55 cities

With active presence

3 topics

- Urban mobility
- Efficiency and climate change
- Urban development

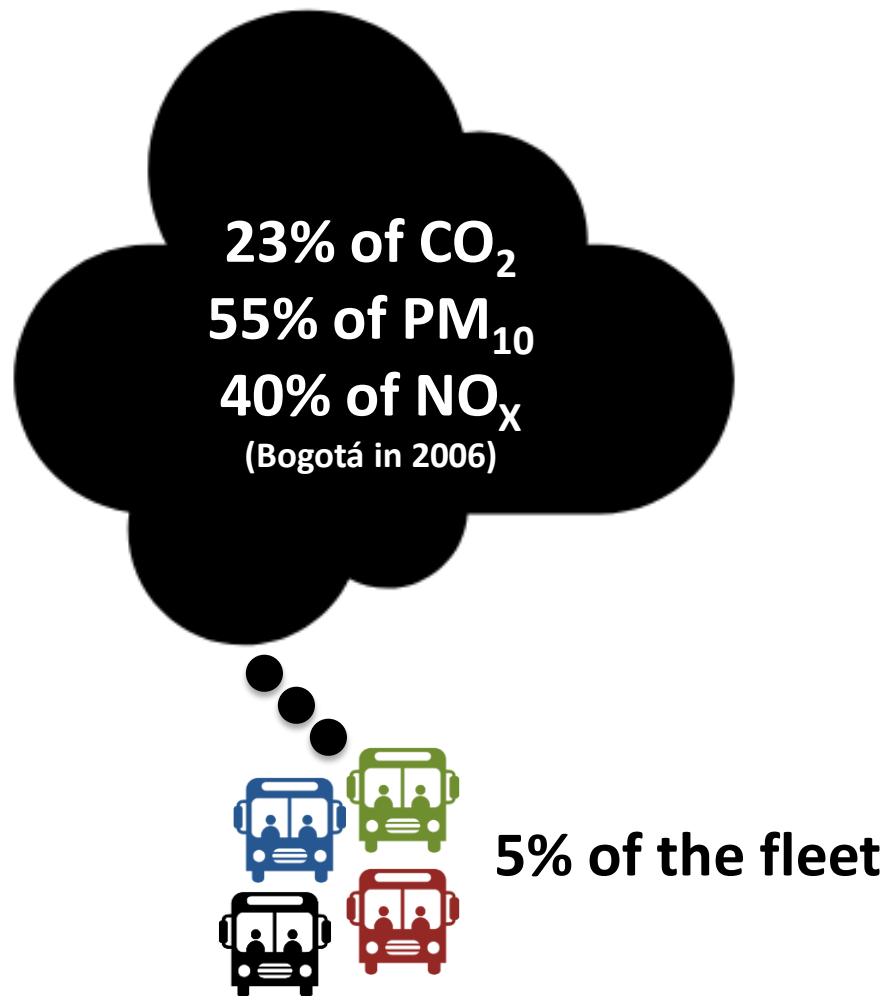
TO COMPLY WITH A <2DS, THE TRANSPORT SECTOR MUST BE COMPLETELY DECARBONIZED BY 2060



[Left] IEA, "Global EV Outlook", 2017.

[Right] IEA, authors with data from "CO₂ Emissions from fuel combustion: Highlights", 2015

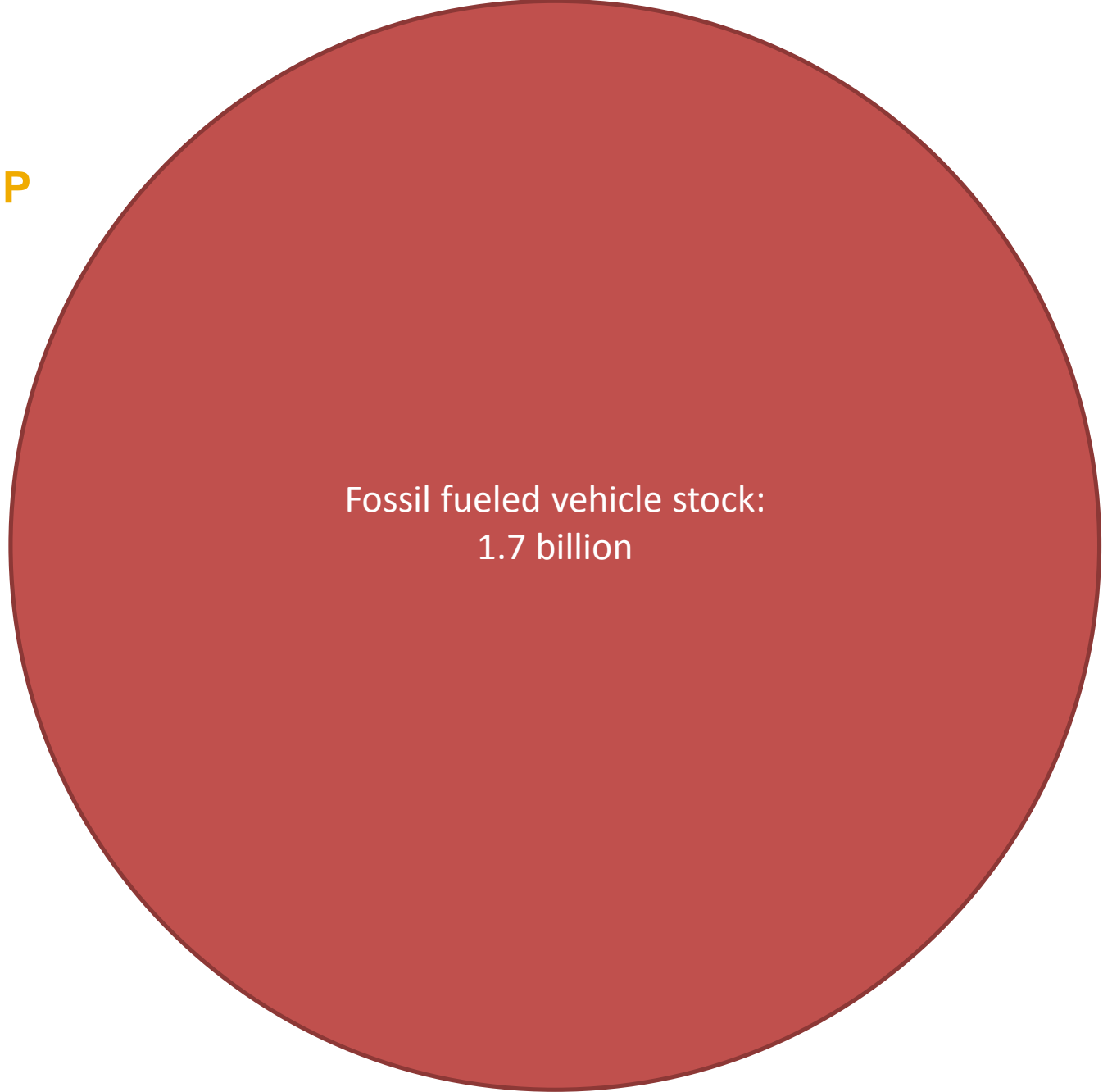
BUSES ARE A PREDOMINANT MODE OF TRANSPORT FOR LARGE PARTS OF THE POPULATION, AND THEY GENERATE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE EXTERNALITIES FROM THE TRANSPORT SECTOR



VEHICLE ELECTRIFICATION

A NEW HOPE

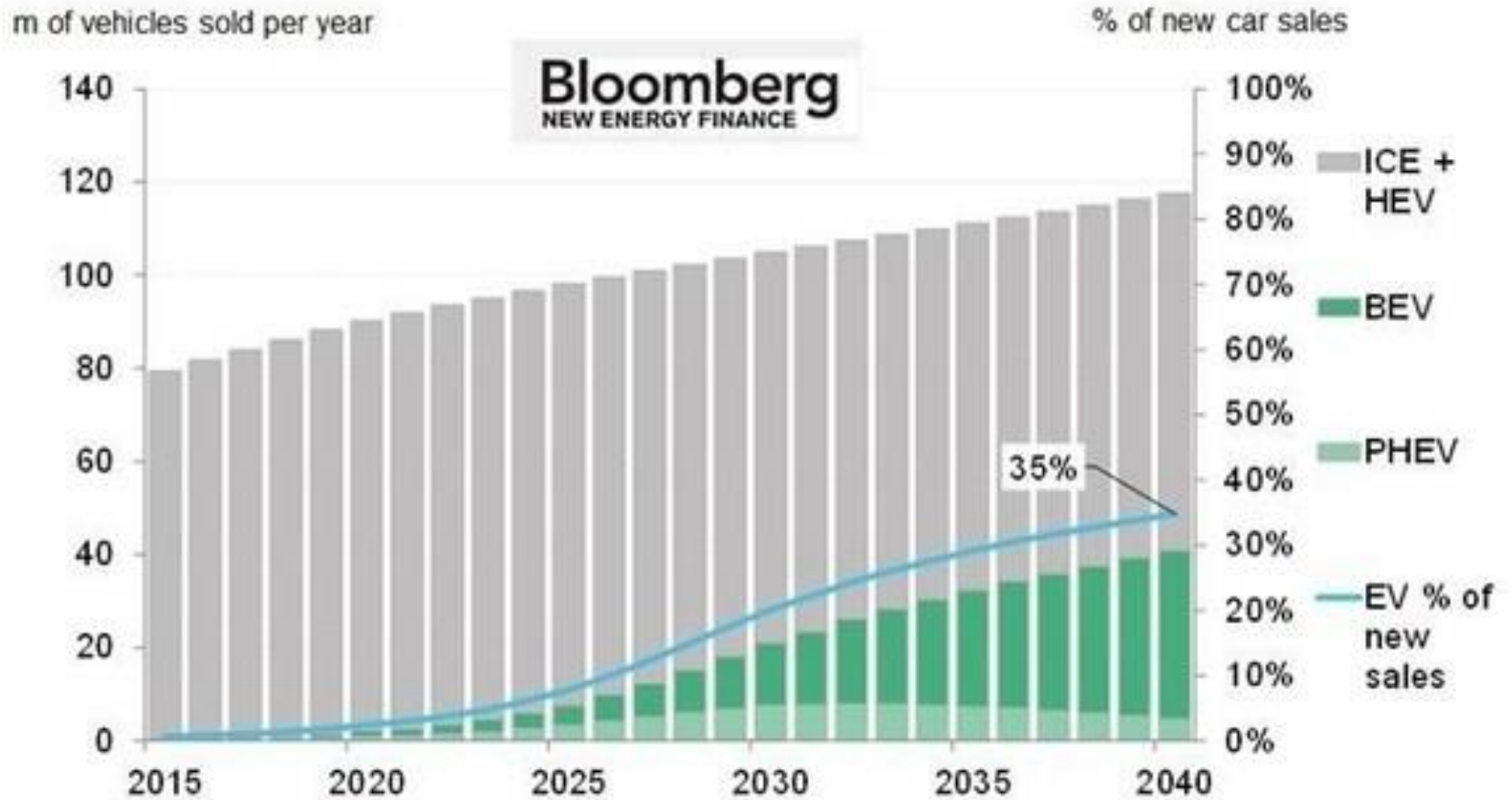
**CURRENT
PENETRATION OF
EV'S IS BUT A DROP
IN THE OCEAN,
HOWEVER IT'S
EXPECTED TO
INCREASE IN THE
COMING YEARS**



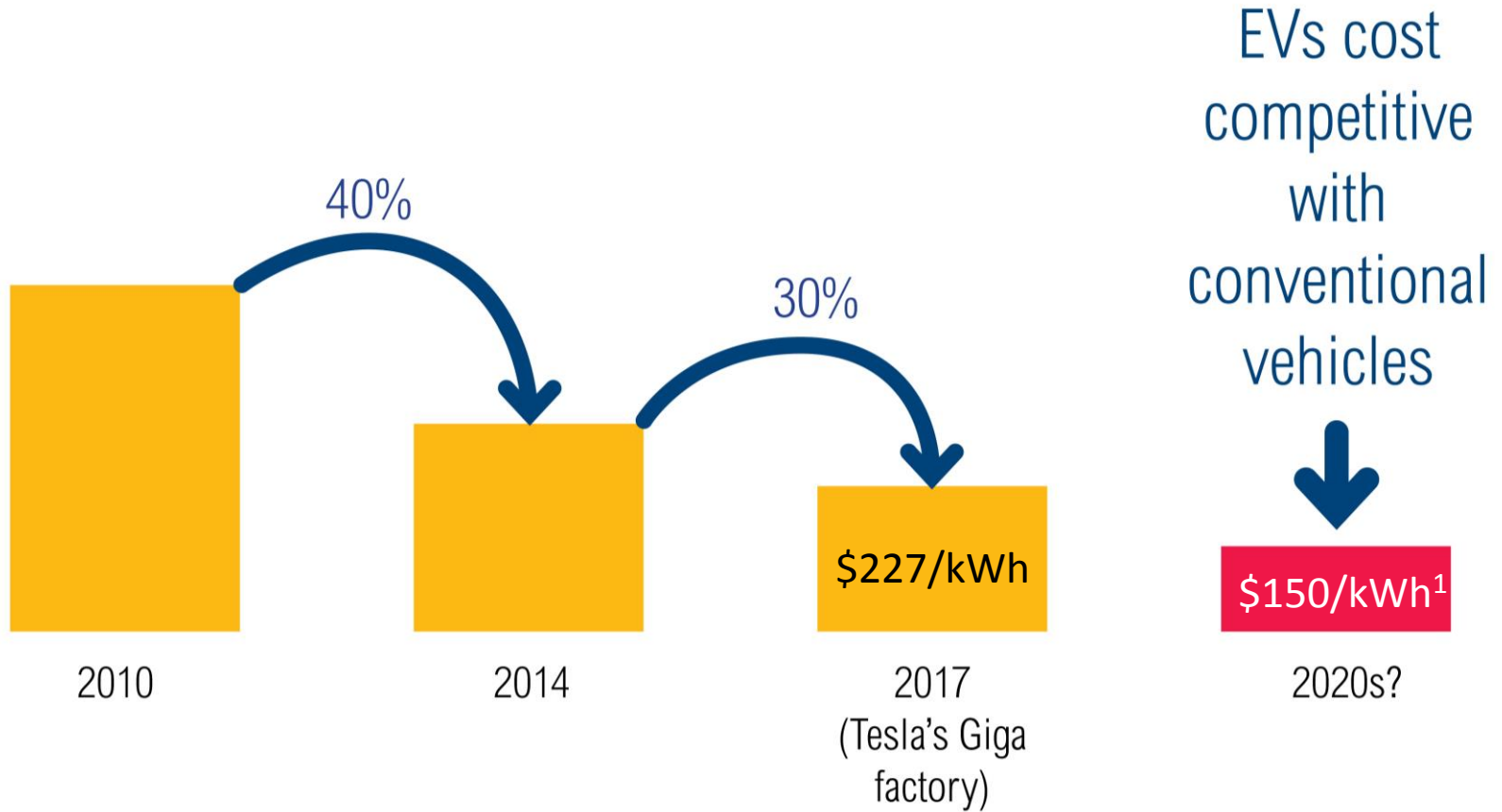
Current stock:
4 million



NEW VEHICLE SALES ARE EXPECTED TO BE 35% ELECTRIC BY 2040



ELECTRIC VEHICLE BATTERY PRICES ARE FALLING FAST



1. Nykvist and Nilsson "Rapidly falling costs of battery packs for electric vehicles", 2015,

THE MARKET IS GEARING UP FOR THE CHALLENGE

All Volvo cars to be electric or hybrid from 2019

Landmark move as first big manufacturer says it will stop making vehicles solely powered by internal combustion engine



i Sales of Volvo's hybrid XC90 have been stronger than expected. Photograph: Volvo

In Pivotal Moment, Tesla Unveils Its First Mass-Market Sedan

By BILL VLASIC JULY 29, 2017



The Tesla Model 3 sedan. Tesla Motors, via Associated Press

AND SO ARE SOME GOVERNMENTS

Britain to ban sale of all diesel and petrol cars and vans from 2040

Plans follow French commitment to take polluting vehicles off the road owing to effect of poor air quality on people's health



Ministers believe poor air quality poses largest environmental risk to public health in UK. Photograph: Peter Macdiarmid/Getty Images

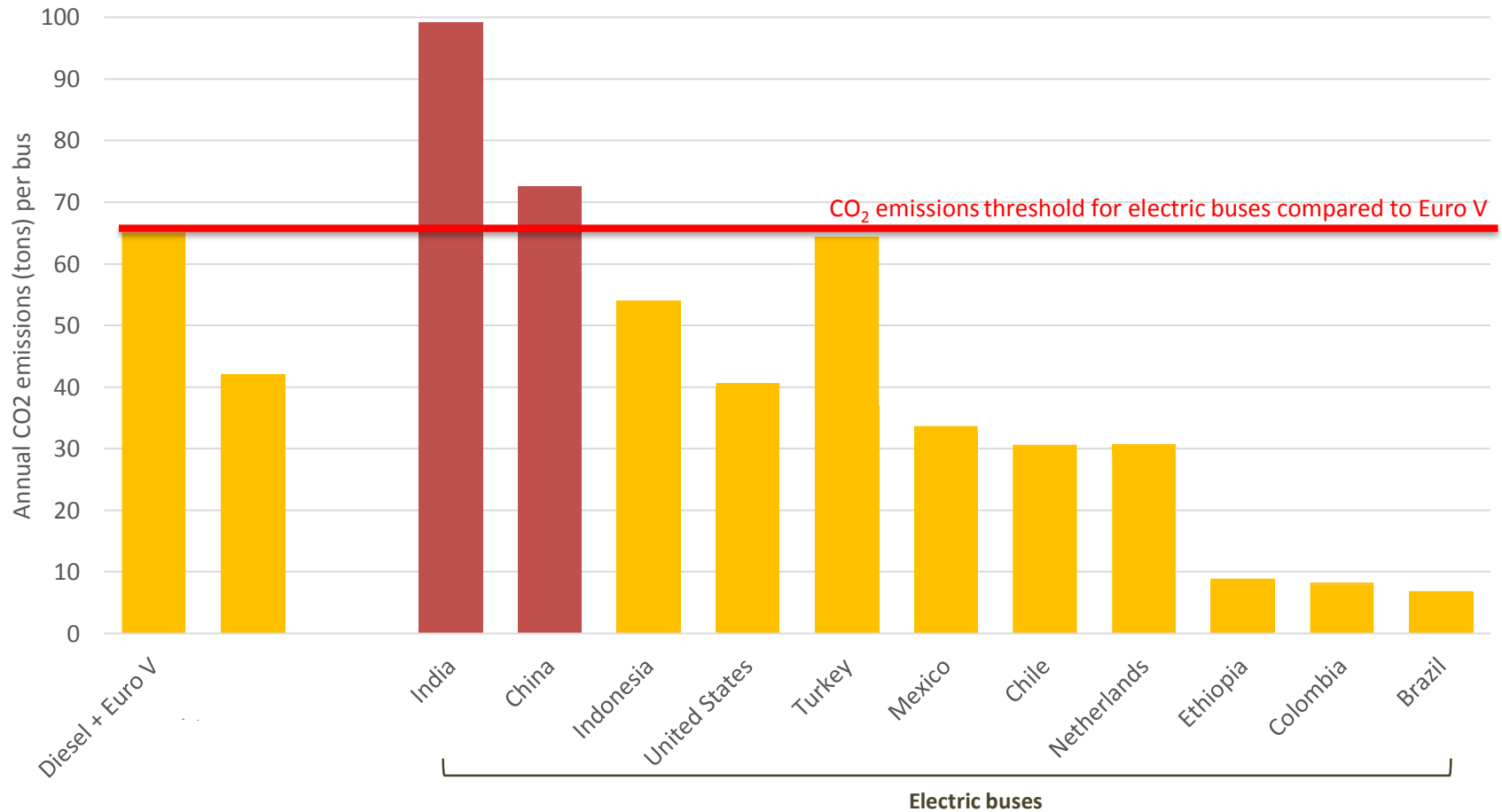
France to ban sales of petrol and diesel cars by 2040

Move by Emmanuel Macron's government comes a day after Volvo said it would only make fully electric or hybrid cars from 2019



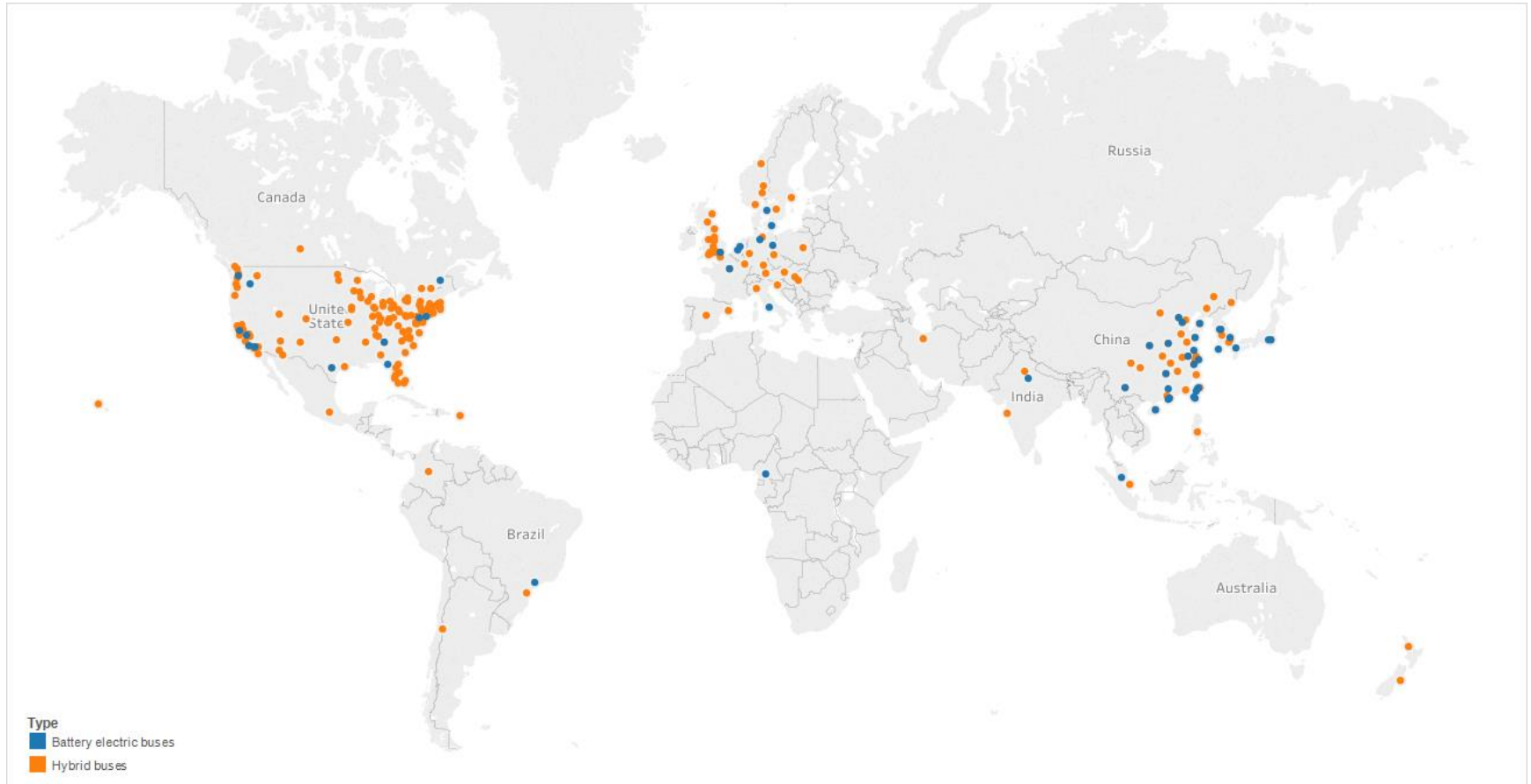
Renault's Zoe electric car will escape France's ban after 2040. Photograph: Renault

ELECTRIFYING BUSES ALREADY MAKES SENSE FROM A CO2 PERSPECTIVE IN MANY COUNTRIES



WILL THIS BE ENOUGH?

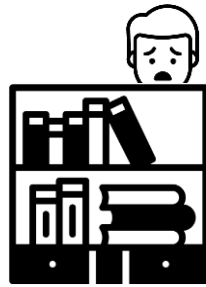
ALREADY OVER 300 CITIES HAVE IMPLEMENTED ELECTRIC OR HYBRID BUSES AS PART OF THEIR FLEETS



HOWEVER, THERE ARE STILL BARRIERS FOR THIS TRANSITION TO BECOME MASSIVE



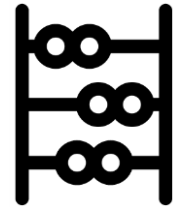
More expensive vehicles and infrastructure



Fear of change and lack of knowledge



Technology readiness (e.g. range)

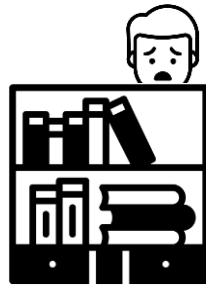


Outdated procurement models

DURING THIS SESSION WE WILL EXPLORE HOW CITIES AROUND THE WORLD HAVE ADDRESSED THE FIRST BARRIER



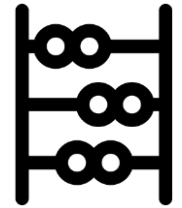
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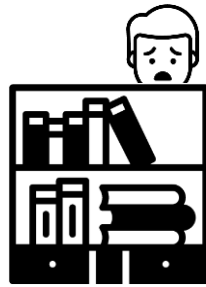


Outdated procurement models

AND HOW IN DOING SO, MANAGED TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE OTHERS



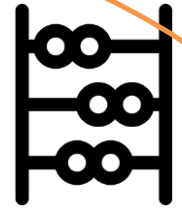
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Outdated procurement models



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ABSTRACT

Electric buses have local environmental benefits, which has incentivized cities to transition their fleets from diesel to electric. However, the adoption of electric bus globally is geographically uneven and limited in scale. One issue is the high upfront cost of electric buses. However, few studies have analyzed the contracting and financing mechanisms that can help accelerate electric bus adoption. As part of the initial information collection process, the paper is based on real-world experiences and evidence, applies a comparative multi-case study to 22 cities in 14 countries. A framework is used for analysis, which includes identifying technical components that require investment, non-reimbursable funds and investment capital applied, and legal arrangements supporting the implementation. Results show that three key elements are seen in electric bus adoption across the globe, despite regional differences. First, both public and private grants, when dedicated to cleaning the fleet, appear as a strong factor underpinning existing clean bus systems. Second, less costly sources of financing, which may come from different stakeholders, can reduce financial risks, and it is where innovation can happen. Third, innovative ways of structuring contractual implementation effectively connect stakeholders and involve third-party players, which leads to shared risks, increased efficiency and improved performance.

1. Introduction

Electric buses¹ reduce local air pollution, can improve service quality by reducing vibration and noise, and increase vehicle efficiency through reduced energy consumption and lower fuel requirements (United States Department of Transportation, 2016). However, uncertainties still exist in the lifecycle cost-competitiveness of electric buses compared to diesel buses. These uncertainties are due to local operational cost variations and a lack of methodologies that would help account for the social benefits of electric buses (Quarles & Kockelman, 2018). According to Bloomberg New Energy Finance (2018), electric buses are cost-competitive with certain battery content and operational conditions, and the competitiveness improves in larger cities, with longer annual distances travelled. Also, the climate benefits of electric buses are largely determined by the grid emissions factors of the

electricity used (Mulley, Hensher, & Cogrove, 2017), and the end of life disposal of used batteries is a question that still needs to be addressed on a large scale (Nordelöf, Messagie, Tillman, Ljunggren Söderman, & Van Mierlo, 2014). While these concerns exist, more and more cities are considering electric buses as an increasingly desirable alternative to conventional buses.

Despite recent growth in the market and interests in electric buses, worldwide implementation is geographically uneven and limited in scale (Fig. 1). For example, the North American market for electric and hybrid buses grew by more than 400% from 2005 to 2010 (Marlay, 2013). In 2016, more than 40 cities worldwide were operating battery-powered electric buses (Castellanos & Maassen, 2017), with 87% of the buses in China (International Energy Agency, 2017). Shenzhen, China, home to the largest urban electric bus fleet (International Energy Agency, 2017), has fully upgraded all urban transit buses into electric

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¹ Electric buses, in this paper, refer to battery electric buses in general. But this terminology may include several types of technology, based on different energy sources, engine types, charging mechanisms, etc. In this paper, hybrid electric bus is also included in the conversation and can be seen in some of the cases, due to the innovation part of its contracting and financing mechanism, and similarity to battery electric bus compared to conventional diesel buses. Detailed explanations and case selection criteria can be seen in the methodologies part of the paper.

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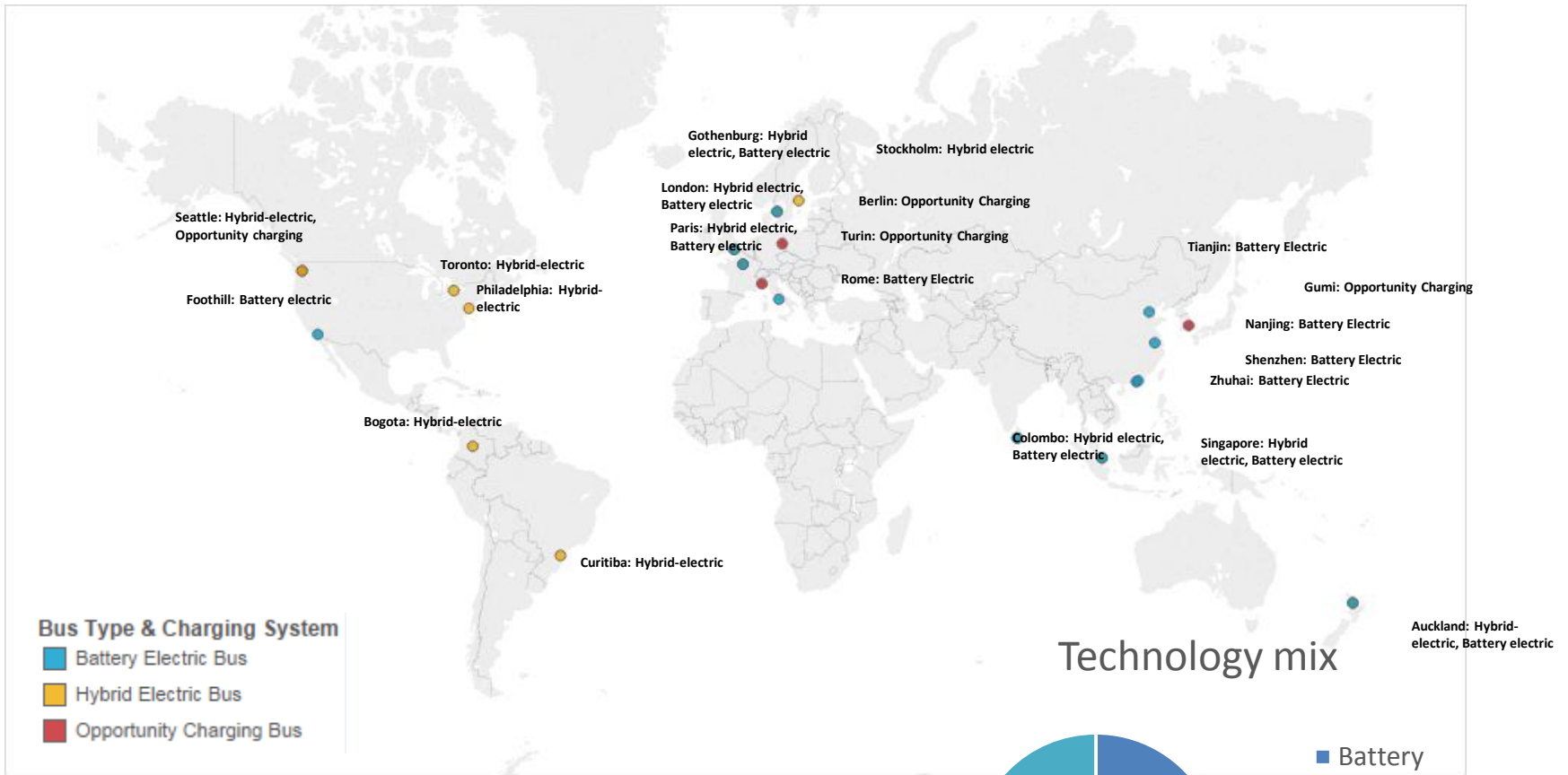
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WE CONDUCTED RESEARCH TO UNDERSTAND WHAT 22 CITIES AROUND THE WORLD HAVE BEEN DOING TO ACHIEVE IMPLEMENTATION



Americas		Asia/Pacific		Europe
N. America	S. America	Asia	Oceania	Europe
6	2	7	1	9

AND WE BUILT A FRAMEWORK TO ANALYSE OUR FINDINGS

The elements that make-up an investment in low emission buses



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The elements that make-up an investment in low emission buses



The sources of funding available to pay for these investments



Financial products that can be used to mobilize third-party capital



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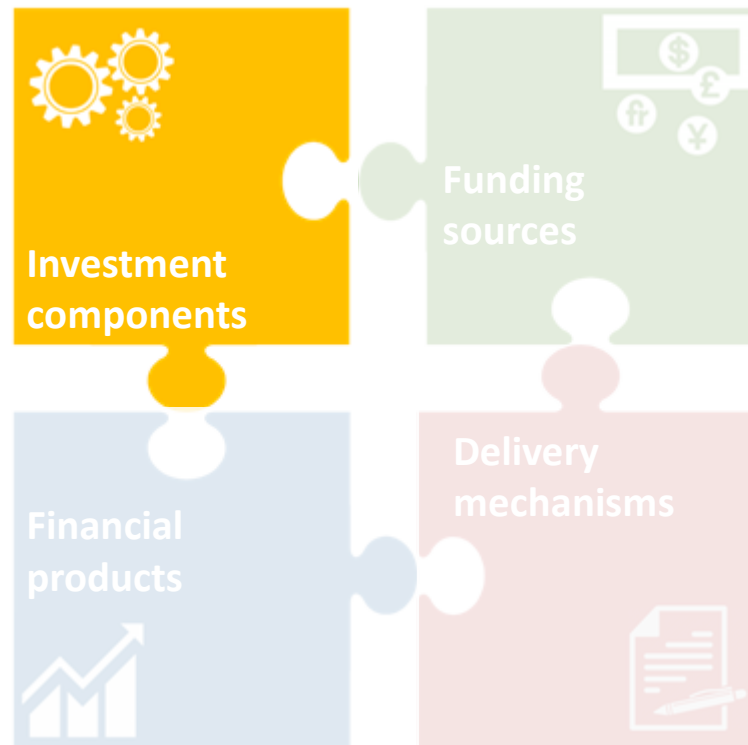
Financial products that can be used to mobilize third-party capital



The sources of funding available to pay for these investments

The distribution of risks and responsibilities among involved parties

WHAT ARE CITIES INVESTING IN WHEN TRANSITIONING TO ELECTRIC FLEETS?



SHENZHEN, CHINA

Largest fleet in the world:
14.500 electric buses



LONDON, WATERLOO GARAGE



Charging stations

BEIJING, CHINA



**Battery depots and
swapping machines**

INFRASTRUCTURE DEPLOYMENT



Volvo-Siemens

BOGOTÁ, COLOMBIA



Training for drivers

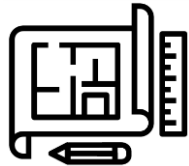
GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN



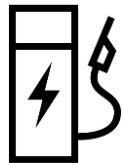
Reputation: Silence

INVESTMENT COMPONENTS

Tangible assets



Land
(Charging Zones)
(Foothill)



Charging
Stations &
Infrastructure
(Turin, Paris)



Buildings
& Additional
Infrastructure
(e.g. battery swapping,
Rome)

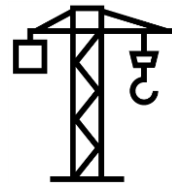


Buses
& Batteries

Processes



Planning
& Preparation
(Gumi)



Building
& Installing
(Sweden:
Siemens-Volvo)



Operating,
and training
(Bogota)

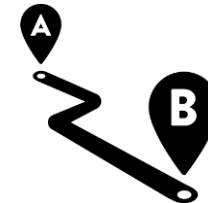


Maintenance
(Shenzhen)

Intangible assets



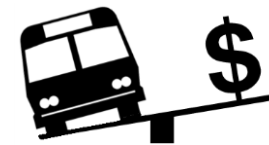
Safety & Health
(Turin)



Resource
Efficiency
(Fuel / Foothill)



Reputation
& Brand
(Noise, Air Quality,
Appropriation,
Driver's Experiences)
(Turin, Gotenburg)



Affordability
(Singapur)



HOW ARE CITIES PAYING FOR THESE INVESTMENTS?



KING COUNTY, SEATTLE



Operational savings
4% maintenance
27% fuel

FOOTHILL, CALIFORNIA



**No-cost lease for land
where charging stations
are located**

LONDON, U.K.



**Clean Bus Technology
Fund at the national level,
used at the local level**

FUNDING SOURCES



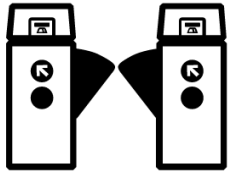
Proceeds



Incentives



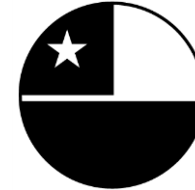
Other budgets



Fare-box revenues



Subsidies
(NAMA Sri Lanka)



Intergovernmental transfers
(Korea)



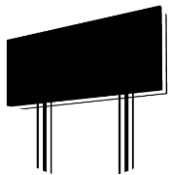
Land value capture in depots and stations
(Singapur)



Fiscal
(Bogotá)



Dedicated taxes
(Paris)



Advertising in stations and infrastructure



Preferential pricing
(e.g. electricity tariffs)
(China, Foothill, Colombo)



Sale of assets and scrapping
(Brazil)



Operational savings
(London)

WHAT FINANCIAL PRODUCTS HAVE CITIES BEEN LEVERAGING?



BOGOTÁ, COLOMBIA

Private investors own
more than half the hybrid
bus fleet

TIANJIN, CHINA

Green bonds that can be used for public transport financing

WWW.NEWS.CN

BOGOTÁ, COLOMBIA



The Clean Technology Fund gave a \$40M loan to purchase hybrid buses

CURITIBA, BRASIL



FINANCIAL PRODUCTS

Equity



Debt



De-risking



Private investors
(Direct or indirect)
(Bogota)



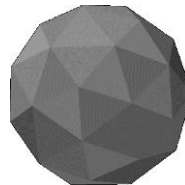
Bank Loans
(Public or Private)
(Bogota)



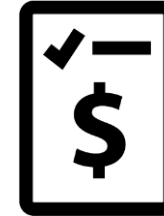
Contingency
Funds
(Bogota)



Public equity
(Italy)



International
climate finance
(Bogota)



Provision
Contracts

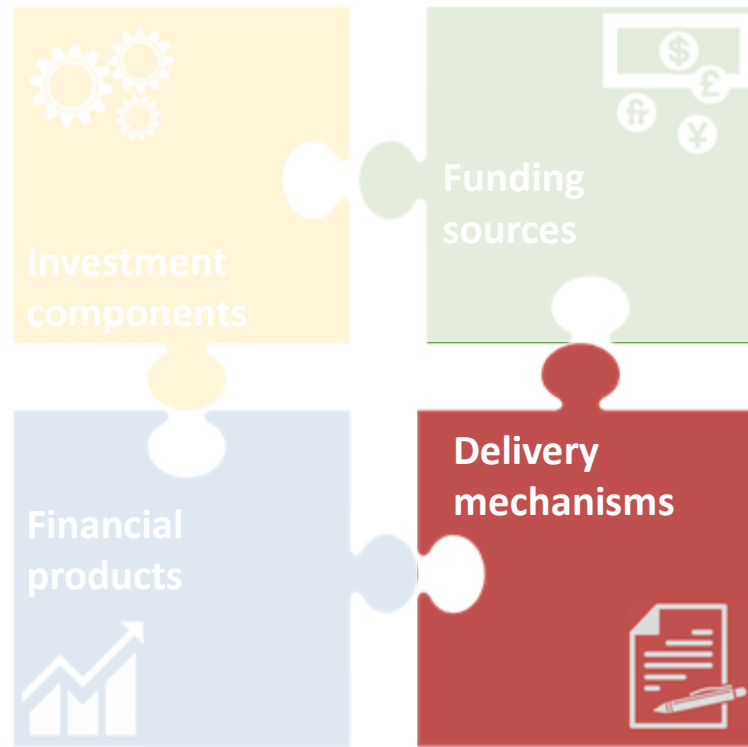


Green Bonds
(Tianjin)



Concesional
loans
(Curitiba)

HOW ARE RISKS ALLOCATED BETWEEN THE DIFFERENT STAKEHOLDERS



SHENZHEN, CHINA



Bus companies and third parties purchase buses and lease them to operators

PARIS, FRANCE

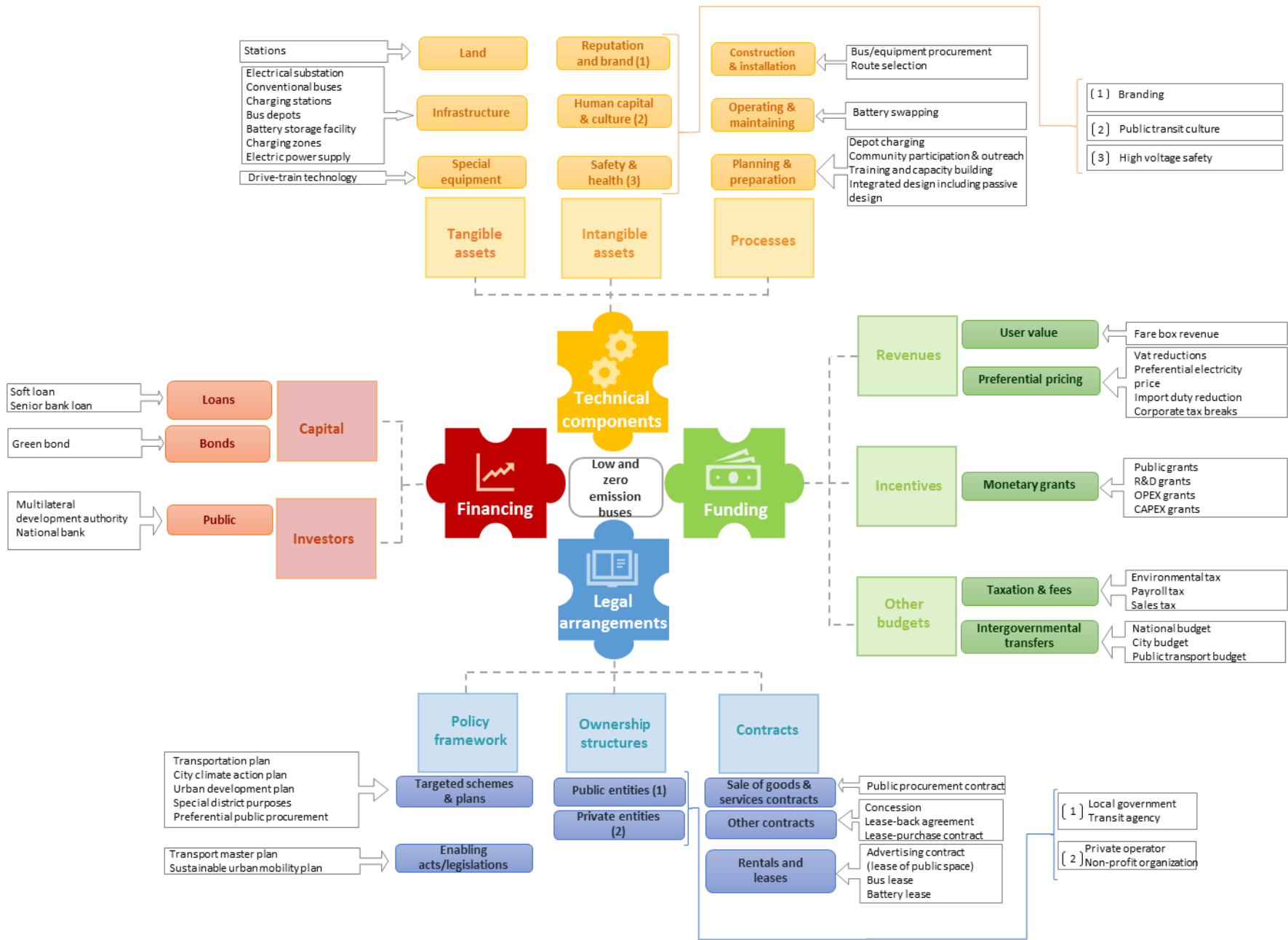
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 Bus2025



**Bus2025:
20% of the fleet
completely electric by 2025**

Summary



Bogotá case study

BOGOTÁ

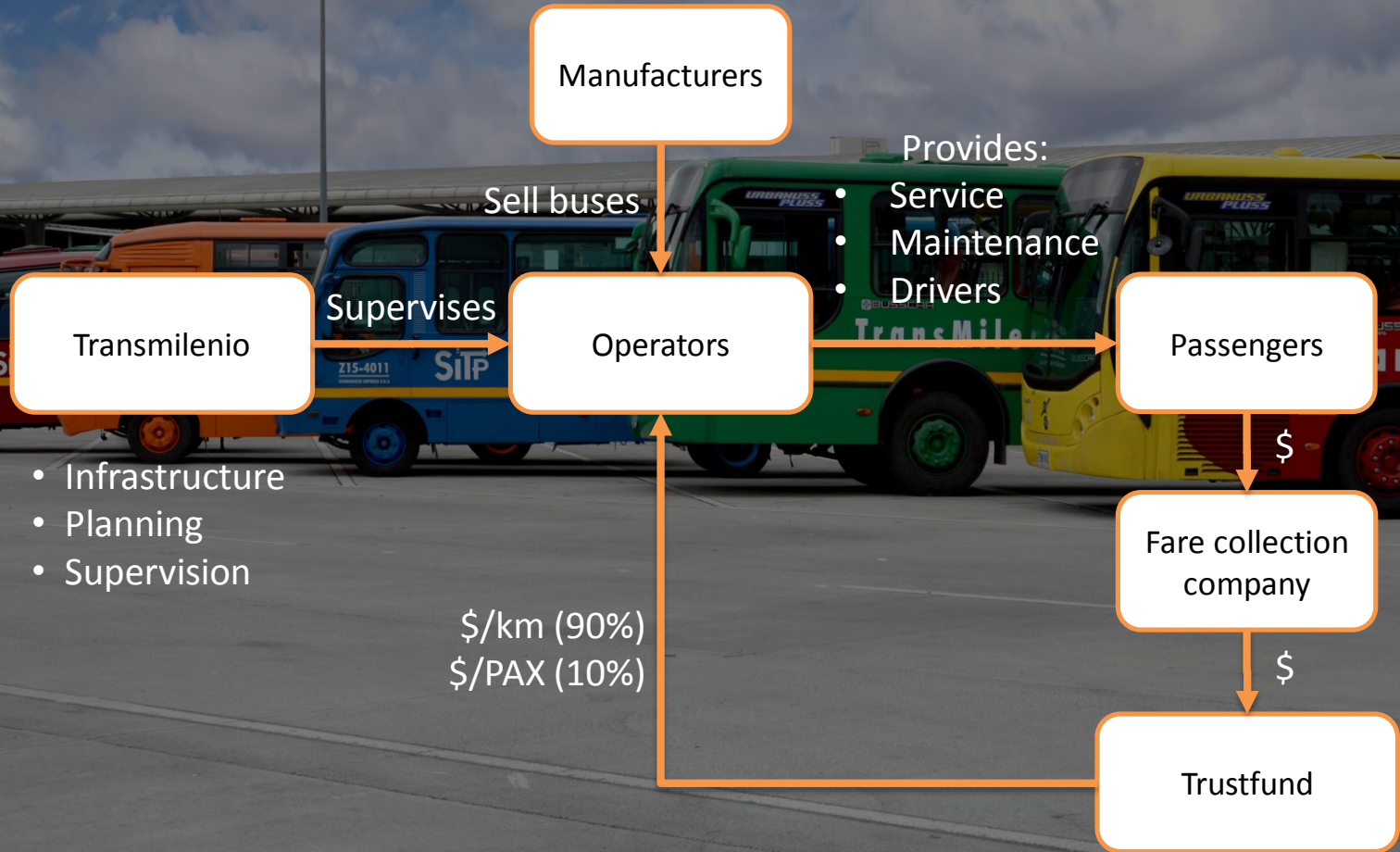




Integrated Public Transport System (SITP)

- BRT: 1999 (113 kms)
 - SITP: 2012
- 13 zones, under concession to 9 private operators for 24 years
- Fleet:
 - 2000 articulated or biarticulated buses
 - 8000 19, 40, 50 y 80 passenger buses

SITP



- Infrastructure
- Planning
- Supervision

HYBRID BUSES IN BOGOTÁ



GENERAL OVERVIEW

- Start of operation: 2012
- **500+ buses** Volvo, hybrid-electric operated by **2 operators**
- Mixed traffic buses, with doors on both sides



25%
Fuel economy



39%
Reduction in CO₂



50%
Reduction in NO_x



Investment components

Tangible assets

- Hybrid buses with regenerative braking
- Batteries

Intangible assets

- User perception of Bogotá as a “low carbon city”

Processes

- Planning by Transmilenio with operators
- Training by Volvo
- Maintenance with Volvo



Funding sources

Investment proceeds

- User fare

Incentives

Fiscal incentives

- No VAT – 16%
- Corporate tax reduction up to 100% of cost of bus
- Import duties reduced from 38% to 5%

Other budgets

- Advertising on buses proceeds go directly to the operator



Financial products

Equity

- Private investors

Debt

- Clean Technology Fund
- Bancoldex (Colombian development bank)
- Commercial banks

De-risking

- Contingency fund

\$USD
40M

CTF

Transfers funds to

IADB

Lends to

\$USD
40M

Bancoldex

Lends to

**Commercial
banks**

Lends to

Operators



Delivery mechanisms

Institutional frameworks

- Technology improvement plan (Plan de ascenso tecnológico)

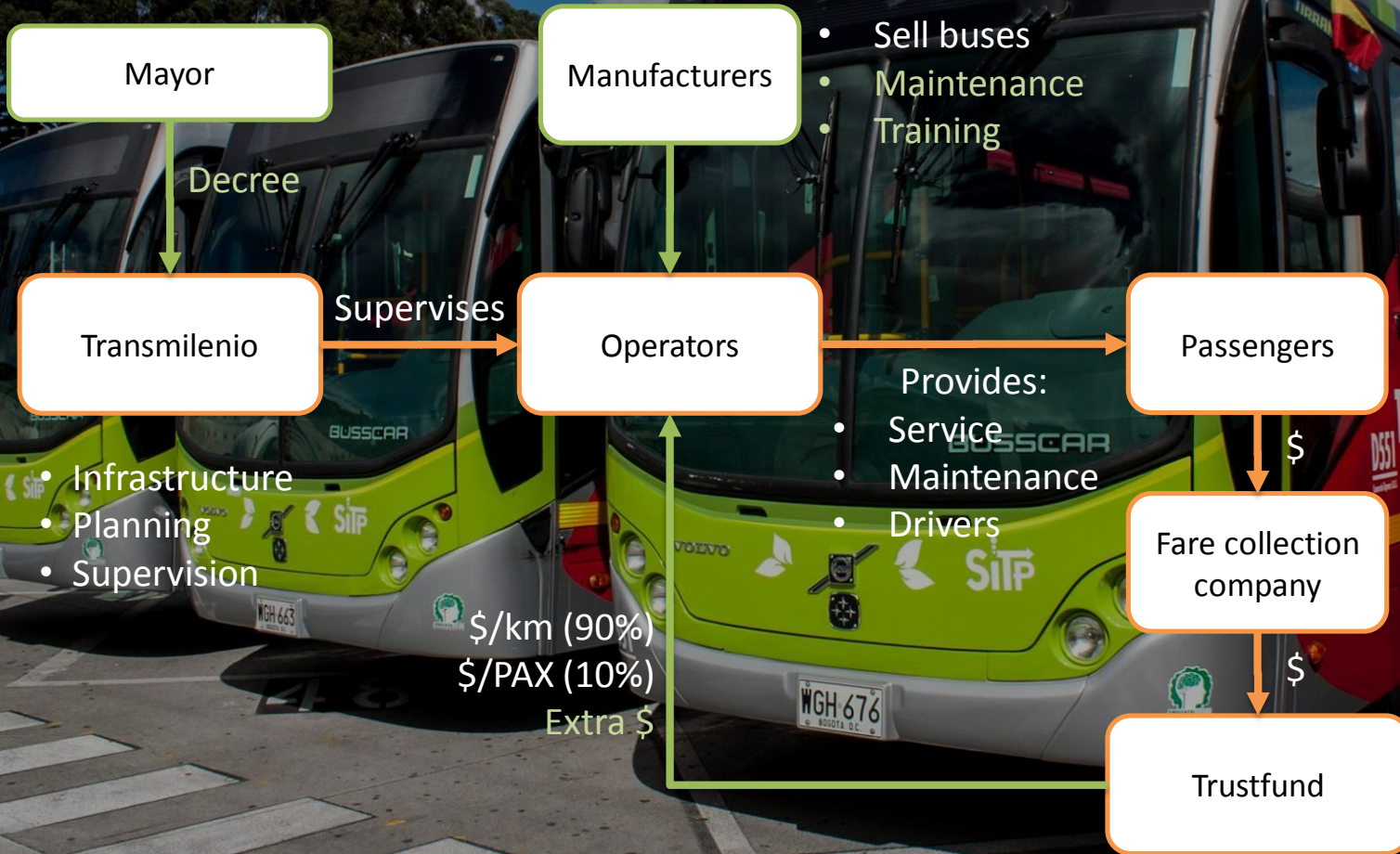
Legal entities

- Mixed
 - Concession involving private operators

Contracts

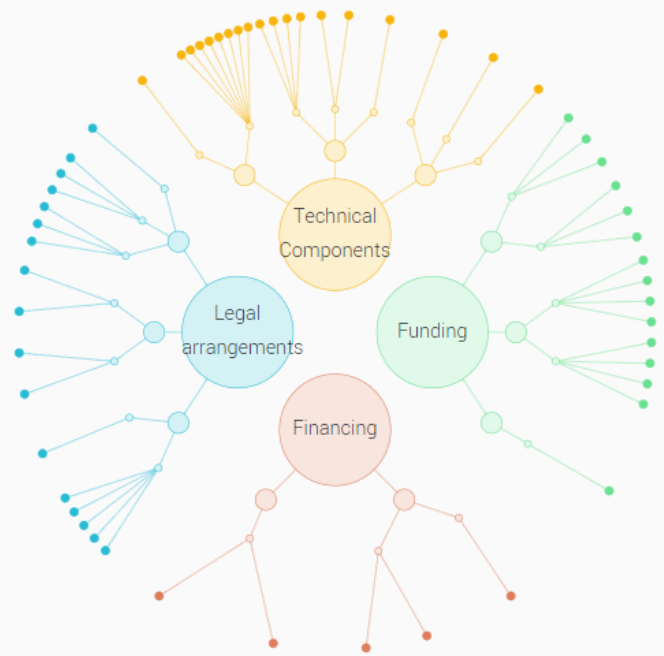
- Purchase + maintenance + training contract between operators and Volvo
 - Vehicle purchase + 5-year maintenance contract + training
- Battery leasing:
 - Separate from purchase, at USD 0,15/km

SITP – hybrid model



SELECT A SOLUTION
REVIEW YOUR RESULTS

● Element ● Element selected



NEED HELP?
RESTART PROJECT



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