# Land value capture & Transit Oriented Development

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## Benefits delivered by investment in transport infrastructure



Improved access to markets (national and international)

Reduced costs of transportation

Trade growth and economic growth

#### Population Distribution

Redistribution of populations / balanced population distribution.

Better connection of regional towns can allow these areas to develop and counter the trend of urbanization which places stress on larger cities

Reduced carbon emissions and air pollution through, e.g.:

- Reduced congestion on • roads
- Modal shift to energy efficient transport modes (road/air to rail)

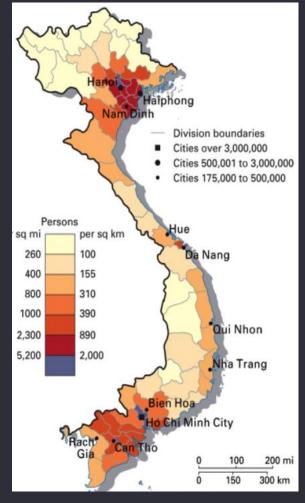


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### Benefits delivered by investment in transport infrastructure Support Development of Regional Towns/Cities

#### Example: Upgrading of Hanoi to HCM Railway





Trend without project



population distribution

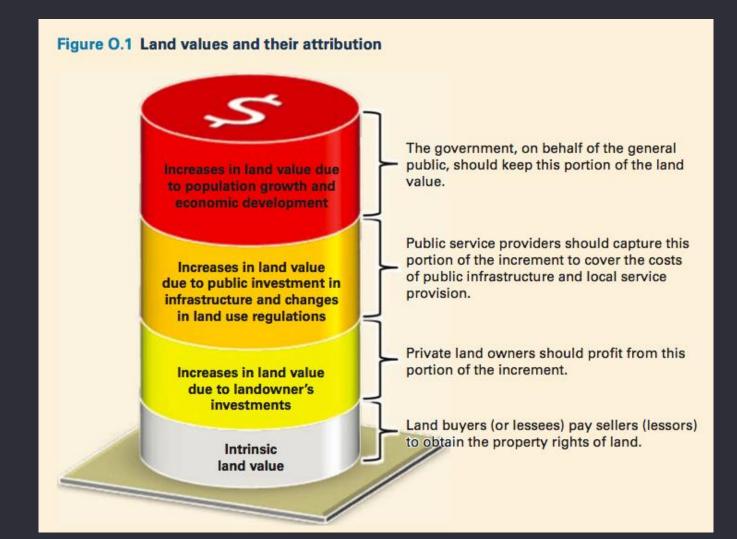


#### Benefits delivered by investment in transport infrastructure Regional Activation Case Study: Singapore to KL HSR





#### Attribution of land value increase: Theory



Source: World Bank, Financing Transit-Oriented Development with Land Values, 2015 . Adapted from Hong and Brubaker 2010.



### Current BT Projects in Viet Nam

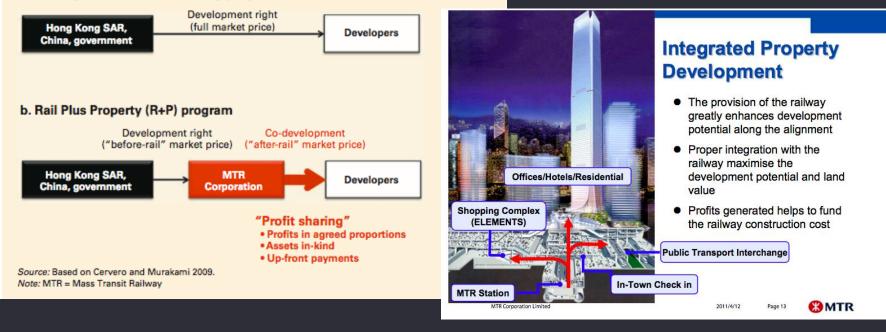
Issue	Detail
Land contribution from Government is valued at time of the BT agreement	<ul> <li>Land use rights are valued in accordance with Land Law which does not recognize the expected increase in value that will result from the new infrastructure.</li> <li>All the land value uplift resulting from the government funded project is handed over to the developer.</li> </ul>
Loss of control over the development of land transferred	<ul> <li>Sites can remain undeveloped for years, delaying the realization of economic benefits that the government funded project was intended to deliver.</li> </ul>
BT project may not align with the broader economic development plan	<ul> <li>Many BT projects are unsolicited proposals which may not be part of the overall economic development strategy.</li> <li>Sub-national governments should allocate scarce resource (Ito projects in a coordinated fashion (avoiding "white elephants")</li> </ul>
Construction prices can be inflated	<ul> <li>Bilateral negotiations and lack of competition can lead to construction prices being inflated.</li> <li>GCA required to contribute more land into the BT project</li> </ul>
Quality of construction is poor / incomplete	<ul> <li>Unlike other forms of PPP, the developer is not required to consider the whole-of-life cost, e.g. investing in better materials that require less maintenance</li> <li>If developer has received the land use rights upfront, they have little incentive to complete the project or meet specifications. GCA's contract management and negotiating position is weak.</li> </ul>



Improvement	Explanation	International Examples
Robust competitive tender process	<ul> <li>Drive better pricing of construction costs</li> <li>Drive developers to take a view on future value of land use rights, and reduce their bid price accordingly</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>MTR tendering of contracts to developers</li> </ul>

Figure 0.2 Hong Kong SAR, China's, land value capture mechanism: Relationships among the government of Hong Kong SAR, China; MTR Corporation; and developers

#### a. Usual government land leasing program





Improvement	Explanation	International Examples
Delay transfer of land use rights	<ul> <li>Delay transfer until the infrastructure project is completed to the satisfaction of Government.</li> <li>Could be delayed until end of Defect Rectification Period to ensure operational performance of the asset / facility</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Chatswood Transport Interchange</li> </ul>

Up[grade and expansion of the Station to include 2 elevated island platforms

Underground carpark to service residential towers



Three residential towers: Car park and integrated "podiums" constructed as part of the initial station development.

Towers constructed in the years following the station redevelopment

Retail Complex (10,000m2): developed at the same time as the station redevelopment



#### Case Study Chatswood Transport Interchange

Value Capture Mechanism

- Developer bid the government contribution to construct the initial development:
  - Station redevelopment
  - Retail complex
  - Underground carpark
  - Podiums for future residential towers
- Government retains ownership of the rebuilt station
- Once the initial development was complete, the developer had the opportunity to purchase from government the Retail
   Complex and the Podiums for the residential towers (with car park) for nominal amount.

#### Outcome

- Total construction cost of initial development: Aus \$157 million
- Developer bid a net government contribution of Aus \$53 million.
- Estimated cost of station redevelopment without value capture: Aus \$81 million
- Value capture reduced the cost to government of the station by 35%



Key takeaways of Chatswood as an example of Land Value Capture in a BT structure?

Value creation:	Using the air rights above the existing station precinct.
Competition:	Tender process drove bidders to maximise the future value recognition by bidding the lowest Government Contribution.
Integrated design:	Developer was responsible for optimising the precinct design to maximise user benefits and future value
Certainty of completion:	Option structure and termination provisions ensured that the developer delivered the essential infrastructure (the station and retail) whether or not they took up the further development opportunities
Risk transfer:	Risk of future growth successfully transferred to private sector (Globa Financial Crisis led to significant delay in the development of the residential towers)



Improvement	Explanation	International Examples
Maintain shared interest in the future value of the land	<ul> <li>Government shares in value uplift following development of the new infrastructure and Transit Oriented Developments.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>MTR</li> <li>Dubai Union Metro Station TOD</li> </ul>



Dubai's Roads and Transport Authority (RTA) has called for proposals for the development of a multi usage Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) project above the Union Metro Station based on public-private partnership (PPP).

RTA contributes land, Developer contributes cost of construction

RTA has invited bidders to propose how they will provide RTA with a return on their investment:

- Share of sales proceeds
- Equity stake in the development
- Portion of Leasing rights

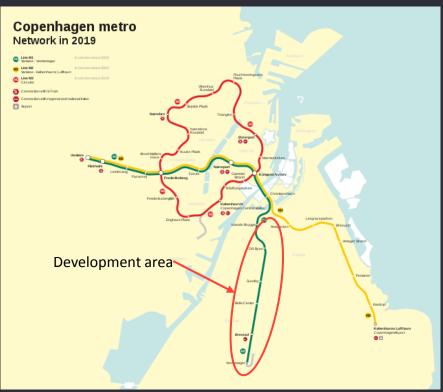


Improvement	Explanation	International Examples
GCA use future land value to pay for project	<ul> <li>Government realizes the value of the land use rights after completion of the new infrastructure.</li> <li>Uses proceeds to fund the Infrastructure after it is built.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Copenhagen Metro, Denmark</li> </ul>

City of Copenhagen and Ministry of Commerce formed the Ørestad Development Corporation (ORC) empowered to develop 310ha of vacant land within 10 km of Copenhagen City Centre

Government accessed value uplift resulting from the new infrastructure through progressive sale of land and subsequent development rights after the completion of the new metro.

To fund the construction, the ODC raised debt which was repaid through the money raised from the sale of land and subsequent development rights.





Improvement	Explanation	International Examples
Improved scrutiny of unsolicited proposals	<ul> <li>Developer should be required to demonstrate public interest and compliance with the overall national masterplan</li> <li>Unsolicited proposals should be subjected to the same robust appraisal, and contract management procedures applicable for a solicited proposals</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>World Bank publication: "policy guidelines for managing unsolicited proposals in infrastructure projects"</li> </ul>

### Conclusions

- Land value capture is a complex area that governments around the world are grappling with and there is not just one ideal solution.
- In Viet Nam this is an area that has enormous potential to enable delivery of essential infrastructure.
- How best to implement will need further review, and the new PPP Law creates an opportunity for GoV to create an environment that better enables value capture.



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