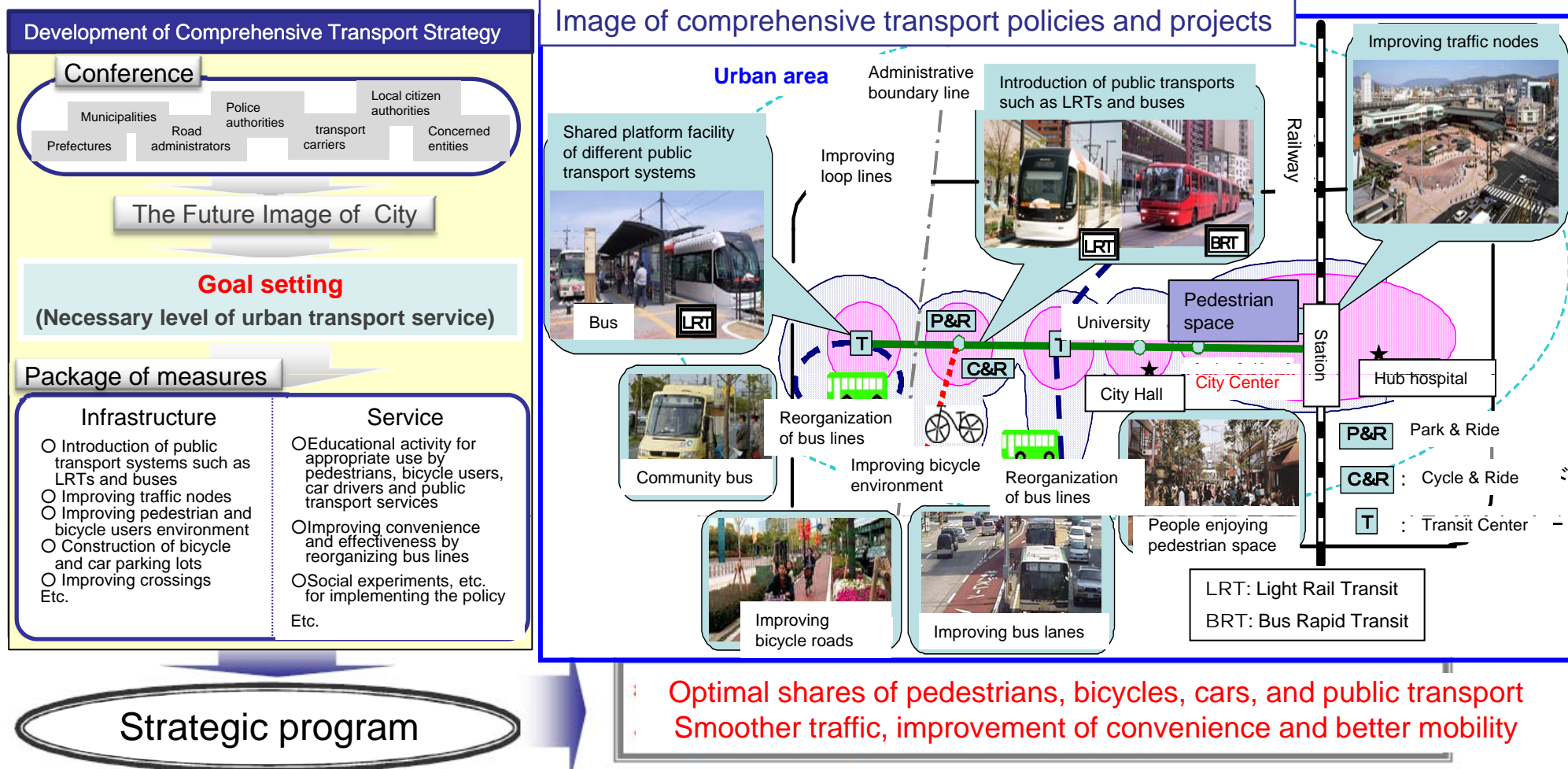


Promote Comprehensive Transport Strategy

In order to solve urban transport problems (relieving road congestions, smoothing transit) and to achieve the future image of city, MLIT is supporting the following activities of local governments through Comprehensive Grants for Social Infrastructure Developments.

1. Development of Comprehensive Transport Strategy
2. Various Measures based on the strategy such as development of public transport systems (LRT etc.) and traffic nodes



Case Study: Overview of Basic Planning Project to Revitalize the City Center in Toyama City

(Planning Period: February 2007 to March 2012)

Revitalize public transport

Toyama light rail Opened in April 2006 and compared to former JR Toyama Port Line, improved the convenience by increasing the number of stations from 10 to 13, arriving every 15 minutes (every 10 minutes during rush hours) whereas previously every 30 to 60 minutes. In 2014 it is scheduled to connect with trams on the south side of the station when elevating Toyama Station.



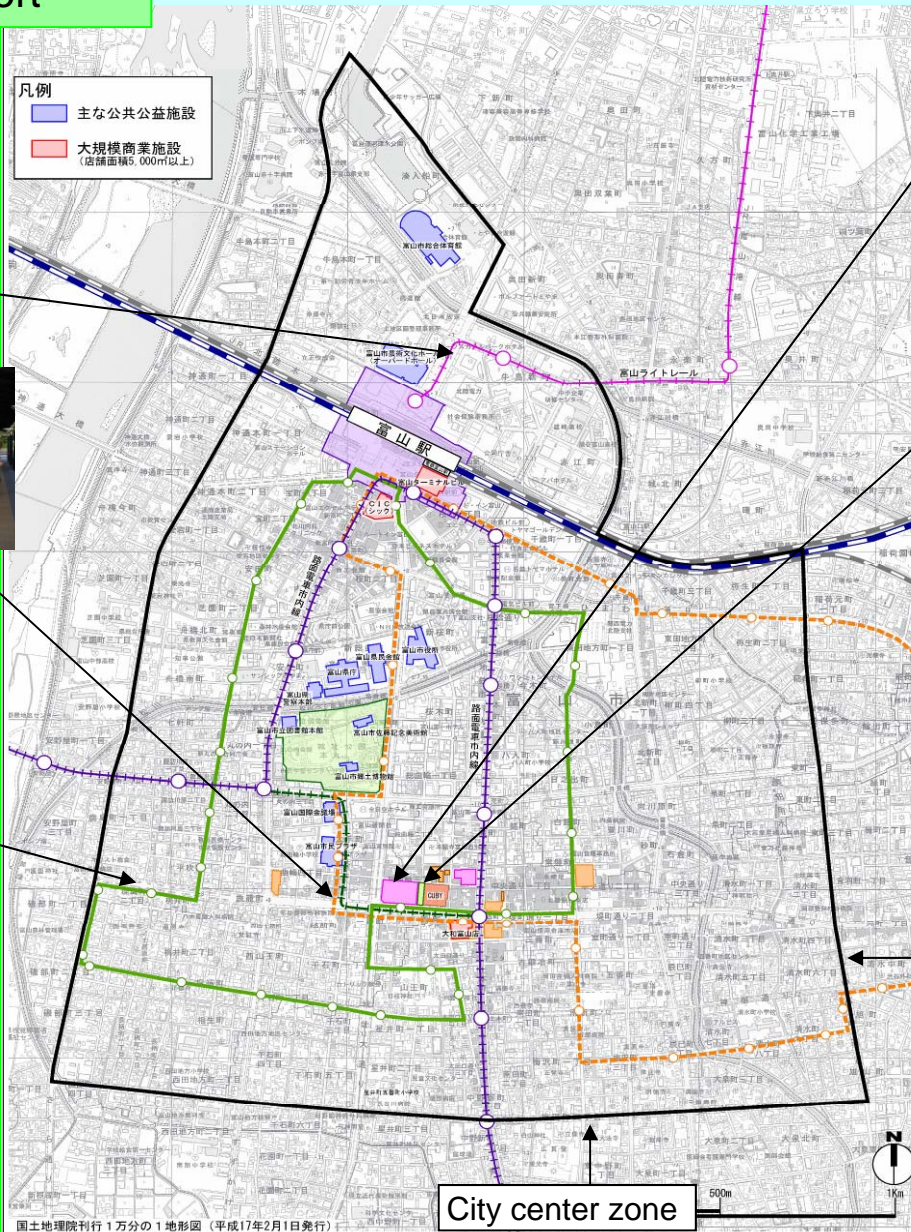
● Improve convenience by making the **trams a circuit line**

【Made into a circuit line in December 2009 with the grants for urban transport system project, LRT system project, street projects and urban planning.】

● **Community buses** circulating around the city center

● **Outing bus project** (Takes elderly citizens to the city center from anywhere within Toyama City for only 100 yen a trip)

● When elderly citizens return their driver's license voluntarily due to fear in driving vehicles, **provides 20,000 yen worth of public transport pass**



Create active hubs

Local department stores relocates and opens new store with larger floor space

【Opened in September 2007 as a urban redevelopment project】



Established a grand plaza with open air ceilings, cinema theaters, and restaurant malls

【Opened September 2007 using grants for urban development and strategic subsidies】



Promote inner-city residences

Promote building of **residential complexes**

【From 2004 to 2012 Urban development project and outstanding building projects】

Promote **inner-city residences** (subsidize residences and rent in the city center)

【Subsidies for urban planning 2005 to 2011】