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## Infrastructure 2011: A Strategic Priority

*Infrastructure 2011: A Strategic Priority* assesses the state of infrastructure in the United States and around the world, examines what the next few years are likely to hold, and provides recommendations for moving forward on the infrastructure investments and strategies that are needed for regions and countries to continue to prosper and grow. Despite increased rhetoric about the importance of infrastructure, states and metropolitan areas are struggling to find funds to make basic repairs on aging systems and to build the new transit and road networks needed to position themselves for future growth.

*Infrastructure 2011* shines the spotlight on these U.S. metropolitan areas. The report reviews infrastructure and transportation efforts in major U.S. metro areas, illustrating how resourceful regions can move forward on projects to enhance freight and passenger rail links, roads, and bridges—even in the face of serious fiscal hurdles—by combining various sources of funding, working across regional boundaries, and using public/private partnerships.

The fifth in an annual series produced by the Urban Land Institute and Ernst & Young, *Infrastructure 2011* is based on interviews with industry experts and research. It reviews national infrastructure strategies in a variety of countries, noting that most have put in place serious efforts to identify and address infrastructure deficiencies and chart a course toward lower energy and oil consumption. It contrasts these approaches with those in the United States, which at a national level still lacks a coherent infrastructure strategy and struggles to give infrastructure the priority it deserves.