Development of Attractive Cities from Stations

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Introduction

Issues
- Progress in motorization
- Urban sprawl in downtown areas
- Hollowing out of central downtown areas

Change in social conditions
- Decline in population
- Environmental issues
- Decreasing birthrate and aging population

Compact city development centering on stations will be required
Tasks with Local Authorities and Administration

**Issues**
- Lack of city core and landmarks
- Cities divided by stations and railway belts
- Improvement of transport connection function
  - Dispersed city functions
- Decay and safety concerns in downtown areas, etc.

**Interest of local authorities**
Flourish areas around stations

**Interest of railway company**
Attract more commuters and customers

Unite
### Tasks with Local Authorities and Administration

**Transport infrastructure to improve consumer convenience**
- Flourish areas around stations
- Establishment
- Area-wide improvements
- Renovation and rebuilding
- Two-level crossing

**Grouping urban functions for compact city development**
- Attract more Commuters, customers
- Commerce
- Housing
- Child care
- Welfare
- Culture

**Better development plans for customers, local authorities, and railway companies**

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Showcase Examples ~１Sumakaihinkoen Stations

New potential created by new station establishment

Lack of city core and landmarks

Establishment of new station + Area-wide improvements around stations

Housing

Commercial facilities

Medical facilities

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The station building was modeled after a "white sail" and "seashells."

Development of housing

The station building was developed with a fitness gym inside.
Showcase Examples～②Himeji Station

Enrichment of commercial and social interchange facilities in a two-level crossing project

Cities divided by railways
Dispersed city functions
Inconvenient transport connection

Area-wide improvements around stations
Two-level crossing project

Cultural and social interchange facilities
Commercial facilities

The "piole Himeji" station building was modeled after the stone wall of Himeji Castle.
The subterranean garden was modeled after the outer moat of Himeji Castle.
Tourist information center

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View from an observation deck directly connected to the station building (Himeji Castle is currently under renewal construction.)

LED lighting used for illumination

Passageway inside a station

3-D urban planning system
Showcase Examples～③Okayama Station

Enhancement of commercial facilities along with station building renovation

- Dispersed city functions
- Cities divided by stations and railway belts

Area-wide improvements around stations

- Renovation and rebuilding of station buildings and squares

Commercial facilities

Cultural and social interchange facilities

A free-to-use passageway eliminated division within the region.

Rebuilt station square

Commercial facilities selling regional goods

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Conclusion

1. Better development can be realized through cooperation with municipalities.

2. By combining hard development, including improvements to the station building and improvements to areas around the station, and softer, life-style related measures, including nursing care businesses and child care support projects in line with the needs of the region, it is possible to achieve a sustainable urban development.
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