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Daniel Rudge, is the Executive Director of the Bryan-College Station Metropolitan Planning Organization (BCSMPO). Daniel, or Dan as he prefers to be called, has 25 years of experience in the Transportation Planning profession and worked in six different states primarily in Virginia and Florida. Prior to joining the BCSMPO, Dan was the Director of Planning for Lee County, Florida Transit Department, also known as LeeTran, involved in integrating transit into the local governments Comprehensive Plan. While at the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), Daniel served as the Chief of Planning/Manager of Mobility Programs and was responsible for statewide and local transportation planning initiatives across DRPT's transit, transportation demand management and rail programs. Daniel also worked closely with Virginia's Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO's) serving as DRPT's MPO liaison, with the Virginia General Assembly as DRPT's Legislative Services Director, and developed and taught grantee training. Prior to joining DRPT, Daniel was the Executive Director for the Springfield, Missouri MPO. Prior to being an Executive Director, Daniel worked with three other MPO's and has written long-range transportation plans, congestion management process plans, coordinated human service agency plans, transit development plans, and Transportation Demand Management (TDM) plans. In addition to his MPO work, Daniel was a Research Associate with the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) in Florida where he was involved in planning and implementation of transportation demand management programs, technical assistance to municipalities integrating alternative transportation/transit into local growth management initiatives, developing citizen participation programs, and developing strategic plans for public and private sector organizations. Daniel's other activities included serving as a project planner for the *State Transportation Policy Initiative*, *Land Use Regulations That Support Access Management*, and various transit development plans. Daniel also received national recognition for developing and conducting 16-40 hour transportation training seminars in nine states, co-authoring two award-winning transportation handbooks, and editing an international newsletter. Daniel holds a Masters Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from Virginia Commonwealth University and a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Virginia Tech.