

Beyond the Bullet Train: Lessons from Japan's Shinkansen

Japan's Shinkansen is often described in superlatives: fast, precise, iconic. But what actually makes it work?

This webinar peels back the myth to explore the real decisions, principles, and design thinking behind Japan's high-speed rail success—and what they mean for North American practitioners. Drawing on first-hand experience and professional practice in Japan, speakers will examine the Shinkansen as an integrated system operating across multiple scales: train design and operations, station planning and passenger flow, and city-building and tourism strategy.

Rather than a technical deep dive, the conversation is a guided “show-and-tell” of observations, questions, and practical takeaways that orient attendees to how and why the system functions so reliably. Come learn what makes the Japanese system so successful and how you can build on that success!



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