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PRESS RELEASE UITP LAUNCHES ACTION TOWARDS CLIMATE-FRIENDLY TRANSPORT (ACT) WITH GLOBAL PARTNERS



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This month, UITP stepped forward to fight climate change by encouraging decision makers to place public transport at the heart of the political agenda with our <u>"One Planet,</u> <u>One Plan" campaign</u>.

Now, at the <u>United Nations Secretary-General Climate Action Summit</u>, (New York City, 23 September), one of the **world's biggest international meetings around climate action**, UITP has taken on an important role in the discussions around **the transport sector**.

For the first time, **over 100 organisations** came together in a bold commitment to **decarbonise transport.**

Action towards Climate-friendly Transport (ACT) is the largest global coalition aiming to catalyse transport as an enabler of sustainable development in line with the <u>2030 Agenda</u> and the <u>Paris Agreement</u>.

ACT is delivering results through four crucial components and UITP is leading component 4 alongside MOVIN'ON and our respective memberships, by establishing global dialogue arenas with the private sector to connect key mobility stakeholders and to structure collaborative dialogue and help accelerate measurable action.

"Decarbonising the transport sector begins with policy makers placing public transport at the very heart of their climate actions plan. As the only worldwide association bringing together all sustainable urban mobility stakeholders, UITP plays a leading role in structuring a collaborative dialogue and generating opportunities between key components of the mobility sector. There is no way we can fight climate change without collaborating for sustainable transport solutions."

Mohamed Mezghani UITP Secretary General

Through our <u>Climate Action Manifesto</u> (*launched 16 September 2019*) UITP and our members are asking decision makers to ensure that public transport appears **on every climate action plan submitted in 2020**.

By engaging on an active level in New York this week, UITP can make sure **change is** implemented at the highest level.

The **"One Planet, One Plan"** campaign has already reached new heights, with many of our members and the international media engaging with our global campaign.

After the Summit in New York, the momentum created through **ACT** will foster innovations by **connecting multiple stakeholders** from the private sector, governments, cities, NGOs and academia.

With ACT, the transport sector is substantially **bolstering its role in climate action** locally and globally - the challenge is daunting, but we can win this race together.

See the current list of signatories here

Not already involved in our campaign on climate action?

Head to our dedicated website and get involved!

The time to act is now. Join us.

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(UITP) <u>The International Association of Public Transport</u> works to enhance quality of life and economic well-being by supporting and promoting sustainable transport in urban areas worldwide. As a passionate champion of sustainable urban mobility, UITP is internationally recognised for its work to advance the development of this critical policy agenda. With more than 1700 members in almost 100 countries, UITP has a long history to its name, and is the only worldwide network to bring together all public transport stakeholders and all sustainable transport modes.

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