



PRESS RELEASE

UITP WELCOMES KHALID ALHOGAIL AS OUR NEW PRESIDENT



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It's a special moment in UITP when a new President is elected to serve their mandate.

The role requires **experience and leadership**, and during the most recent General Assembly (Friday 18 June 2021) **Khalid Alhogail, the Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of [the Saudi Public Transport Company \(SAPTCO\)](#)**, was voted in **as UITP's new President** for the 2021-2023 term.

As **CEO and MD of SAPTCO for the past 15 years**, Khalid Alhogail is **a well-known and respected industry figure**, overseeing **one of the largest public transport companies in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region**.

Every two years, the candidate(s) who have put themselves forward to **become part of our Secretariat leadership** face a vote during our General Assembly.

During his tenure, Mr. Alhogail will **advocate for public transport** through a wide range of activities and opportunities, **working alongside our international membership**.

With an extensive background in the sector, Khalid Alhogail is also **the Chairman of the Saudi Emirates Integrated Transport Company (SEITCO) joint venture** between SAPTCO and Emirates Transport.

Mr Alhogail is also **Chairman of the SAPTCO-RATP Dev joint venture Public Transport Company (PTC)** and **a board member of the RATP Dev-SAPTCO joint venture Capital Metro Company (CAMCO)**.

Previously Chairman of the Saudi National Union for Joint Stock Companies, representing 186 CEOs of listed companies for ten years, he has been closely involved with **several major transportation projects in the Middle East and North Africa** and has **developed many successful international projects** to benefit the region.

"It is my great honour to be elected as the new UITP President. I am proud of the long-standing involvement I have with the association, and I look forward to engaging with the international membership to advance the association's vision in the years to come. Public transport needs strong support as we look towards a post-pandemic world, and I hope to work alongside many of you in the times ahead."

Khalid Alhogail
UITP President

Mr. Alhogail is also **no stranger to UITP and our international membership**.

For the past five years, he has been **an active and recognisable member of UITP's Executive Board and Policy Board**, and before being sworn in to his new role, held the role of a UITP Vice President.

Alongside leading SAPTCO, Mr. Alhogail has been **Chairman of the UITP MENA Executive Committee**, further strengthening his presence in our global activities.

During the 2021 General Assembly, our new Executive and Policy Boards were elected for the 2021-2023 mandate.

There are new changes to the make-up of both Boards and you can see the full lists for [the UITP Executive Board](#) and [the UITP Policy Board](#) on our website.

The role of UITP President is **an important position within the structure of our association**, now 135 years old, established in 1885.

The new President will **work closely with the UITP Secretariat**, led by our Secretary General Mohamed Mezghani, **to achieve our vision for the coming years**.

"The UITP Secretariat and I are excited to have Mr. Alhogail join us in this new role, as UITP President. Having worked with him in our Executive and Policy Boards, I have no doubt that he will put a spotlight on our mission and work closely with our global members to further advance public transport. I look forward to exploring our professional relationship in the years to come. UITP congratulates and thanks Mr. Alhogail for joining our team!"

Mohamed Mezghani
UITP Secretary General

Public transport has lived through **great change in the past year** and the times ahead will be **crucial to the future of urban mobility in a post-pandemic world**.

We know that with his **knowledge, experience, and international recognition**, Khalid Alhogail will serve our association well.

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