



Consultation for Decision-Makers on Implementing Sustainable Transport
26 September 2013
Organised by UN-DESA, FIA Foundation, Ford Foundation and UN Habitat

Background

The Rio+20 outcome document “The Future We Want” recognizes that “transportation and mobility are central to sustainable development.” Rapid urbanization of developing economies has brought urgency to this looming problem of access while least developed areas continue to lack basic access, both of which are exacerbating poverty alleviation efforts. The key enabling role of transport in advancing sustainable development was further confirmed in the report by the High Level Panel of Eminent Persons on Post-2015 Development Agenda as well as in the ‘Action Agenda for Sustainable Development’ by the Sustainable Development Solutions Network. Both documents proposed a number of targets on sustainable transport.

Consultations on Transport in the Post-2015 Development Agenda, including a June 10-11 retreat of several Missions to the UN (<http://www.slocat.net/event/929>), have considered options for goals and targets for Sustainable Transport as well as options to improve institutional frameworks for implementation. In this context the following goal on sustainable transport is emerging from discussion along the lines of “access to goods and services through clean, safe, reliable, affordable transport, and land use planning” with supporting targets that:

- 1) Urban households are, on average, able to access jobs, goods and services within half an hour by quality, affordable public transport and/or walking and cycling infrastructure
- 2) Rural households have access to all-weather roads for taking products to market and obtaining essential services;
- 3) Traffic related fatalities are cut in half by 2030 compared to 2005 with an ultimate vision toward zero fatalities;
- 4) Air pollution from passenger and freight transport is halved by 2030 compared to 2005, and GHG emissions from transport peak globally by 2020 with an ultimate vision of 40-60% reductions by 2050 compared to 2005 levels or as compatible with the UNFCCC agreement.

The Open Working Group (OWG), established by the General Assembly to develop recommendations on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) will be discussing sustainable transport in its January, 2014 session. To promote the integration of sustainable transport in the goal framework of the post 2015 development agenda it is important to demonstrate how sustainable transport aligns with the overarching post 2015 themes: eradication of absolute poverty and the promotion of sustainable prosperity. A more detailed results framework for sustainable transport, elaborating the proposed targets on sustainable transport and their contribution to the post 2015 development agenda will also be helpful.

Outputs

- a) *Integration of sustainable transport in the goal framework for the post 2015 development agenda:*
 - Possible formulations of a Sustainable Development Goal and/or supporting targets on sustainable transport

- The development of a Results Framework on sustainable transport, in support of the proposed goals on sustainable transport
- b) *Establishment of supportive institutional frameworks for on sustainable transport:*
 - Role of Regional Environmentally Sustainable Transport Forums in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Europe

Participants

Participation in the Consultation will be at the level of decision makers who would participate, benefit or contribute to implementation of sustainable transport in their capacity.

- Local and national government representatives involved in transport and environment from Asia, Africa and Latin America;
- UN organizations: UNDESA, UNEP and UN Habitat; UNECE, and UNESCAP
- Multilateral Development Banks: ADB and World Bank;
- NGOs – Foundations: EMBARQ, FIA Foundation, Ford Foundation, and Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP).

AGENDA

26 Sept 2013. Ford Foundation 320 43rd St, 11th floor board room

9.00 – 09.45 Opening of the meeting - Nikhil Seth, Director, Division for Sustainable Development, UNDESA, Don Chen, Senior Program Officer, Ford Foundation

9.45 – 10:45 Consultation for Decision-Makers on Implementing Sustainable Transport
Chairperson: Jamil Mujahed, Director General - Land Transport Regulatory Commission, Jordan,
Panelists: Dr. Lucien Jones Vice Chairman Jamaican National Road Safety Council, Clarence Rupingena, Head of Transport, Windhoek, Namibia

- Costs of the transport sector under low carbon scenarios – Jean-François Gagné, International Energy Agency – by video conference
- Shaping the SDG on Transport in the Post-2015 development agenda – George Georgiadis UNECE
- Car Sharing -- where and how it can work, and where it doesn't -- Robin Chase, Founder and former CEO of Zipcar and Buzzcar – by video conference
- Transport Issue Brief – Rob de Jong, Head of Transport, UNEP

10:45 – 11:15 Break in the East River Room

11:15 – 12:00 Special High Level Segment – East River Room

Co-Chairs: Saul Billingsley, Acting Director General, FIA Foundation

Nikhil Seth, Director, Division for Sustainable Development, UN DESA

- Safe and Sustainable Transport – Hon. Portia Simpson-Miller, Prime Minister of Jamaica
 - Road Safety – Zoleka Mandela, Global Road Safety activist, leading the Long Short Walk campaign
 - Shelly Ann Fraser Pryce, double Olympic Champion, World Champion.
 - Mr. Dmitry Maksimych, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the UN
- Photo Opportunity 'Long Short Walk' Campaign, Decade of Action for Road Safety
<http://www.fiafoundation.org/news/archive/2013/Pages/UNcallforsafeandsustainabletransportpost-2015.aspx>

12:00 – 13:00, 11th Floor Board Room

- Bike sharing systems – Peter Midgley, Global Transport Knowledge Partnership, International Road Federation – by video conference
- Rural access and poverty alleviation – Jose Luis Irogoyen, World Bank

- Sustainable urban transport and poverty – Andre Dzikus, UN Habitat
- Benefits of increasing the share of public transport – International Public Transport Association – by video message

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch in East River Room

14.00 - 15:00 Consultation for Decision-Makers on Implementing Sustainable Transport - 11th Floor Board Room

Chairperson: Pablo Salgado Poehlmann, Environmental Coordinator Transport Subsector Chile

Panelists: Clarence Rupingena, Manager of Transport Windhoek Namibia, R.M. Zafarullah, Coordinating Adviser to the Deputy Minister, Sri Lanka Ministry of Transport

- Managing Bus and Taxi Fleets – Igor Rounov, Under Secretary General, International Road Transport Union
- Keeping the flame from Rio+20 burning – Samuel Tumiwa, Asian Development Bank
- Outcomes of the Berlin Consultations on Sustainable Transport –Frank Wolter, InnoZ Germany

15:00 – 15:15 Break

15:15 -- 16:30 Consultation for Decision-Makers on Implementing Sustainable Transport

- Results Framework on Sustainable Transport – Holger Dalkman, World Resources Institute EMBARQ
- Status and further process on Sustainable Development Goals – Thomas Hamlin, Inter-Regional Adviser on Energy and Transport, UNDESA

16:30 – 17.00 East River Room

Release of the 2013 Global Report on Human Settlement –

Jacqueline Klopp, Associate Research Scholar, Center for Sustainable Urban Development

David King, Assistant Professor of Urban Planning, Columbia University

Elliott D. Sclar, Director, Center for Sustainable Urban Development and Professor of Urban Planning, Columbia University

Michael Replogle, Institute for Transportation and Development Policy

Don Chen, Ford Foundation

17:00 – 18:00 Reception hosted by Ford Foundation

27 Sept 2013 UNDESA DC-2 23rd floor board room

9:00 – 12:00 Working group on indicators

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