

# From Promises to Progress: A Decisive Moment for Sustainable Transport

Ten years after the Paris Agreement, and just five years from the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals and the IPCC targets, the urgency for bold, co-ordinated and transformative action in transport has never been greater.

Transport connects people, goods, and economies - enabling access to jobs, education and health services; delivering goods to reach markets, and supporting economic growth. Yet it remains the second largest and fastest-growing source of emissions, responsible for 15.9% of global greenhouse gas emissions and 21.9% of global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 2023. Transport is also highly vulnerable to climate risks like flooding and heat, with 97.8% of transport infrastructure at loss risk by 2050. Meanwhile, billions of people still lack access to safe, reliable, and affordable transport, limiting social inclusion and economic opportunity.

The Paris Agreement has catalysed stronger national and sub-national sustainable transport policies, funding, and partnerships across governments, development banks, donors, civil society, and the private sector. Political recognition and understanding of sustainable transport and its linkages, synergies, and trade-offs has deepened. The sector's influence in multilateral climate and sustainability processes continues to expand, thanks in part to the mobilisation of the global transport community.

Yet, despite encouraging developments, efforts remain off-track to deliver sustainable transport for inclusive communities and shared prosperity on a liveable planet. Key transport sectors are not transforming fast enough, and political headwinds threaten momentum. Rising demand for moving people and goods, without a paradigm shift, will worsen transport's impact on emissions, air quality and energy use.

This is a moment of extraordinary opportunity. Aligning transport transformations with social inclusion, decarbonisation, energy transition and resilience will unlock innovation, investment, and shared prosperity worldwide. As transport systems are still developing in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs), the next decade is decisive to avoid inefficient investments and costly lock-in.

As COP30 begins, SLOCAT urges decision makers to move from promises to progress: accelerate implementation and accountability to cut transport emissions, phase out fossil fuels in the sector, advance a Global Goal for Transport, strengthen bold transport implementation in new Nationally Determined Contributions, and scale up the sector's finance, adaptation, and resilience to protect communities and economies.

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- Five Transport Priorities for COP30
- Time to Set a Global Goal for Transport
- Transport in Third-Generation NDCs: An Assessment as of 3 November 2025
- Data and insights on the stark realities and urgent opportunities that shape transport
- COP30 Transport Pavilion and other events co-organised by SLOCAT and Partners, 10-13 Nov
- ICYM, read issue #1 of this COP30 Special Newsletter

#### **Transport by the Numbers: Explore data connected to COP30's themes on 10-13 November**, including:

Adaptation, Cities, Infrastructure, Local Governments, Climate Readiness and Resilience, Health, Jobs, Justice and Human Rights, Workers, and the Ethical Global Stocktake.

## **Share our Collective Thought Leadership and Advocacy**

## Five Transport Priorities for COP30

What can and should countries agree to advance inclusive, climate-compatible, resilient transport

#### Five-Point Plan for Transport in NDCs

Set targets | Scale up action |
Secure assets | Catalyse finance
| Prioritise people

## Global Goal for Transport

Why a global goal matters and what will it set in motion

## NDCs Transport Assessment

Transport ambition, targets and policies in countries' NDCs and Long-Term Strategies

#### Your Resources to Get Ready for COP30

Transport, Climate and Sustainability GSR

Latest data, trends and developments on transport demand, use, access, climate and sustainability trends, policy and investment Transport in a Crisis Era: Seizing Opportunities for a Just, Sustainable Transformation

Takeaways and actionable insights to support decision makers

**Transport by the Numbers** 

Evidence-based facts and data on the stark realities — and urgent opportunities — that shape transport

SLOCAT Engagement at COP30 Website

**Transport Event Tracker** 

Use this to plan your schedule Submit your event

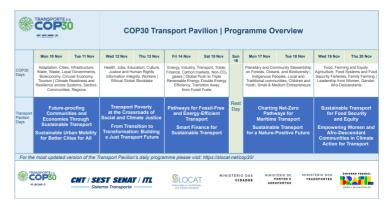
**COP30 Webpage** 

Overview schedule| Announcements | Action Agenda | Mobility Guide

## **COP30 Transport Pavilion**



If you are in Belém, let's meet at the first-ever Transport Pavilion in COP Blue Zone, where leading expert organisations, NGOs, academia, private sector actors, philanthropies, and governments will champion transport's vital role in climate and sustainability



**Programme Overview** 



Join us for the Official Opening of the Transport Pavilion at COP30

11 November | 9:00 - 9:15

**Venue: Blue Zone | Transport Pavilion** 

#### Other Events Co-organised by SLOCAT and Partners on 10-13 Nov



NDC Laboratory: Climate Action for Transport in Latin America and the Caribbean

11 November |12:30-13:30

Venue: Blue Zone | Axis 1 Thematic Room

Co-organisers: Brazil Ministry of Transport, SLOCAT



#### Roadmap to Zero: Accelerate. Adopt. Deploy.

Co-organisers: Colombia Ministry of Transport, Brazil Ministry of Transport, Accelerating to Zero Coalition, C40, CALSTART / Drive to Zero, ICCT, Road Transport Breakthrough (Breakthrough Agenda), SLOCAT, Smart Freight Center, UIC, Volkswagen Truck & Bus, WBCSD, WRI Brazil

11 November | 14:00 - 15:00

Venue: Blue Zone | Axis 1 Thematic Room



## Transport on the Move: From Paris to Brazil and Beyond

Co-organisers: Brazil Ministry of Transport, CCG, Sistema Transporte, SLOCAT

11 November | 18:00 - 18:30

Venue: Green Zone | Estação do Desenvolvimento



#### **Transport Community Reception**

Date: 11 November 2025 | Time: 18:30 - 20:00

Venue: Estação do Desenvolvimento in the Green Zone - RSVP

Conveners:















UN Decade of Sustainable Transport 2026 – 2035 and Climate Action

Co-organisers: ESCAP, SLOCAT, UN-DESA

13 November | 10:15 - 12:15

Venue: Blue Zone | SDGs Pavilion



Advancing Sustainable Urban Mobility:
A Showcase of Results and Solutions

Co-organisers: Avoid Shift 2030 Breakthrough, PATH

Initiative, SLOCAT, TRUE, UIC, UITP

13 November | 11:00 - 12:00

Venue: Blue zone | Axis 4 Thematic Room

## **SLOCAT Delegation at COP30**

10 - 19 November



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