



**UITP Middle-East and North Africa (MENA) Division
Seminar and Assembly**

Sustainable urban transport: Vital for competitive cities!

**Abu Dhabi, UAE
1 – 3 March 2009**

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UITP Commission on Sustainable Development

Seminar venue:

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PROGRAMME

Sunday 1 March 2009

19:00 Welcome reception at Shangri-La Hotel

Monday 2 March 2009

8:00 Registration and welcome coffee

9:00 – **Opening session**

10:30

Welcome speeches:

- Abdulla Rashid Al Otaiba, Chairman, Department of Transport, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Hans Rat, Secretary General, International Association of Public Transport (UITP), Brussels, Belgium
- Abdulaziz Malik, Chairman of UITP Middle-East and North Africa Division, CEO Dubai Taxis, Roads and Transport Authority, UAE
- Glenn Frommer, Chairperson of the UITP Sustainable Development Commission, Sustainability Manager MTR, Hong Kong

Guest speakers:

Setting the sustainable mobility agenda for the UAE: challenges and opportunities

Salem Al Shafiei, Managing Director, Dubai Real Estate Institute, UAE

An overview of Sustainable Public Transport in Seoul, Korea

Kim Sang Bum, Assistant Mayor for City Transport, Seoul Metropolitan Government, South Korea

Signing ceremony of UITP Sustainable Development Charter

10:30 *Coffee break*

11:00 **Session 1: Setting out the challenge for Sustainable Cities**

12:30 Chair: Ahmad Al-Akhras, Transport Planning Consultant, Department of Transport, Abu Dhabi, UAE

The challenges for mobility in cities

Heather Allen, Senior Manager, International Association of Public Transport (UITP), Brussels, Belgium

Envision Utah – the decision making process for developing transit in Salt Lake City, USA

John English, General Manager, Utah Transit Authority, USA

Making Munich a leading European City

Gunnar Heipp, Stadtwerke München (SWM), Munich, Germany

12:30 *Lunch*

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- 14:00** **Session 2**
15:45 **How public transport can contribute to sustainable cities**
Chair: Abdulaziz Al Ohaly, Vice-Chairman of UITP MENA Division, Deputy Minister of Transport, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- The rail property model from Hong Kong**
Glenn Frommer, Chairperson of the UITP Sustainable Development Commission, Sustainability Manager MTR, Hong Kong
- Achieving transit sustainability through emerging planning methods**
Khaled Shammout, Public Transport Specialist, Department of Transport, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
- Public transport development in Milan: towards Expo 2015**
Elena Montafia, International Relations, ATM Milan, Italy
- Welcome to the Sustainable Development house of LVB – Leipzig’s approach to sustainability**
Peter Müller Marschhausen, Director of Human Resources, Organisation and IT, LVB, Leipzig, Germany
- 15:45 *Coffee break*
- 16:15** **Session 3**
18:00 **Making public transport clean and green**
Chair : Mohsen Hashemi, Vice-Chairman of UITP MENA Division, Chairman and Managing Director, Tehran Urban and Suburban Railway Co., Tehran, Iran
- Calculating the externalities from all modes of public transport**
Cyril Condé, General Delegate for Innovation and Sustainable Development, RATP, Paris, France
- TMB as a social actor in making Barcelona more liveable**
Manuel Barriga, Director of Personnel Development and Social Policy, TMB, Barcelona, Spain
- Introducing sustainable development into the business planning process**
Eveline Branders, Coordinator for Environment and Sustainable Development, STIB, Brussels, Belgium
- Carbon project based mechanisms in the transport sector in a post 2012 regime**
Caroline Edant, Climate Change Project Manager, Veolia Transport, Paris, France
- 19:30** **Dinner** (*Venue to be confirmed*)

Tuesday 3 March 2009

- 9:00 -** **Session 4**
10:30 **Towards sustainable mobility in Abu Dhabi**
Chair: Khalid Hashim, Executive Director – Land Transport, Abu Dhabi Department of Transport, UAE
- Abu Dhabi Surface Transportation Master Plan: issues, policies and plans**
Abdelgader ElShabani, Senior Transportation, Planning Specialist, Abu Dhabi Department of Transport, UAE
- Beyond the Vision: Abu Dhabi Public Transport System**
Saeed Al Hameli, General Manager, Bus Office, Abu Dhabi Department of Transport, UAE

Modernising and upgrading taxi services

Abdulla Sultan Al-Sabbagh, General Manager, TransAD, Abu Dhabi, UAE

MASDAR City: Sustainable transport for sustainable city

Speaker to be confirmed

10:30 *Coffee break*

11:00 Session 5

12:30 What's new in the MENA region?

Chair: Abdulsattar Abu Hassan, Senior Vice Chairman of UITP MENA Division, General Manager, Mesk Transport, Amman, Jordan

Latest public transport projects in Iran

Mohammad Montazeri, Head of UITP Liaison Office, Tehran, Iran

Urban rail projects in Algeria

Representative of Algiers Metro Company (EMA), Algiers, Algeria

Implementation options for Damascus metro

Tarek Al Asmi, Director Traffic and Transport Engineering, Damascus, Syria
Amel Haddad, Metro Project Manager, Damascus Governorate, Syria

Public transport policy and projects in Morocco

Noureddine Boutayeb, Wali Director General, Ministry of Interior, Rabat, Morocco

12:30 *Lunch*

14:00 UITP Middle-East and North Africa Division Assembly

15:15 Chair: Abdulaziz Malik, Chairman of UITP Middle-East and North Africa Division, CEO Dubai Taxis, Roads and Transport Authority, UAE

MENA Division Activity report and membership update

Mohamed Mezghani, Head of Middle-East and North Africa Office, International Association of Public Transport (UITP), Dubai, UAE

Keynote speech

Which future for public transport under the present global trends?

Hans Rat, Secretary General, International Association of Public Transport (UITP), Brussels, Belgium

Election of MENA Assembly Chairman

15:15 Closing session

16:00 Conclusions of the seminar

Glenn Frommer, Chairperson of the UITP Sustainable Development Commission, Sustainability Manager, MTR, Hong Kong

Closing Speeches

Do not miss the next events:

- **Training** on Public Transport Fundamentals, Dammam, Saudi Arabia, 4-6 May 2009
- **58th UITP World Congress** and City Transport Exhibition, Vienna, Austria, 7-11 June 2009
- **2nd MENA Congress & Showcase**, Doha, Qatar, 24-27 October 2009