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60th UITP World Congress & Exhibition highlights worldwide movement for more and better public transport

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The 60th edition of the biennial UITP World Congress & Exhibition ended yesterday with figures that show that the global movement for sustainable mobility is gaining significant ground. 2097 participants from 78 countries came to Geneva to learn from each other and share innovative solutions that will help transform urban mobility in the years to come.

The number of participants represents a 34% increase compared to the 2011 edition in Dubai. The Mobility & City Transport Exhibition – running alongside the Congress – received some 25,000 visitors across the 30,000m² of exhibition space and also saw a considerable increase in the number of exhibitors: 326 in Geneva, almost 30% more than in Dubai.

“The fact that 2097 people from 78 countries came together in Geneva shows not only that sustainable mobility is a rapidly expanding industry but that it’s also a motor for economic growth and job creation,” said UITP Secretary General, **Alain Flausch**. “A further 7 million jobs in public transport operating companies alone could be created all over the world if we achieve our objective of doubling the market share of public transport by 2025. The figures from Geneva are thus greatly encouraging for the whole sustainable mobility industry”.

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In Geneva, UITP also launched the worldwide ‘**Grow with Public Transport**’ action which will take place from 16-22 September 2013. UITP members all around the world will all display the same ‘Grow with Public Transport’ message (on trams, buses, metro stations, websites...) at the same time to

show that there is a united world movement to make cities better places to work and live. 240 applications from over 40 countries for the first **Grow with Public Transport Awards** in Geneva illustrated the momentum already behind the movement.

The next stop for the global sustainable mobility movement is Italy. In Geneva, UITP officially handed over the UITP flag to Milan where the 61st edition of the event will take place in June 2015.

For more information and photos of the 60th UITP World Congress and Mobility & City Transport Exhibition in Geneva: www.uitpgeneva2013.org

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The International Association of Public Transport (UITP) is the international network for public transport authorities and operators, policy decision-makers, scientific institutes and the public transport supply and service industry. It is a platform for worldwide



cooperation, business development and the sharing of know-how between its **3,400** members from **92** countries. UITP is the global advocate of public transport and sustainable mobility, and the promoter of innovations in the sector. Visit our website www.uitp.org

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Geneva Public Transport (TPG) is the benchmark public transport operator in the Geneva region. Its objective is to contribute to the management of mobility in the region, proposing a quality service with respect for sustainable development. In serving the community, TPG aims for excellence in all of its activities. TPG works within the framework of a contract allowance, negotiated every four years with the State of Geneva.

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Swiss Association of Public Transport (APT) is the national umbrella organisation of public transport companies. It counts **143 passenger and freight traffic companies**, 11 associated members who directly participate in the making of public transport and 178 commercial and industrial companies as amicable members. APT has (amongst others) the following duties: to represent its members' shared interest in relation to politicians, authorities and third parties; to inform the public and authorities about the importance and the concerns of public transport; to organise the formation of opinion within the public transport sector and to promote training and further education of employees of all levels.



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