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**The UITP Global Public Transport Summit concludes
to great success...
as the Road to Stockholm is complete**



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The UITP Global Public Transport Summit 2019 has concluded and we wrap the defining event in the sector with our biggest edition yet.

The world of urban mobility came to Stockholm, Sweden (9-12 June 2019) to discover...

474 exhibitors from **46 countries**

53 Congress sessions featuring **300 speakers**

2,718 attendees from **81 countries** and over **15,000 single-entry Exhibition visitors**

Almost 170 press and media delegates from almost **40 countries**

Held under the theme **“The Art of Public Transport”**, attendees were shown what an exciting and positive time it is for public transport.

Beginning with our outstanding keynote, [artist and animator Christoph Niemann](#), showing how a true love of public transport can bring **culture, ownership** and **opportunity** throughout our cities. With this, the **creative vision for urban mobility** continued throughout.

Our Congress programme included numerous sessions and side-events, as this year saw the Special Plenary [“Redefining Public Transport”](#) take centre stage with our series of mini-documentaries, produced by [BBC StoryWorks](#), arriving on screen. The series will launch to the world this week.

With an exhibition larger than ever before, the international reach of UITP was on full display as our **473 exhibitors** showcased their work and new products, allowing **innovation** to take **centre stage**. Thanks to our [strong collaboration with our exhibitors](#), their news was more visible than ever before.

Diversity also played an important role in the 2019 proceedings, with a moving side event on [women’s employment in public transport, our #PT4ME campaign](#) and UITP holding firm on the promise to **advance female voices** in the programme with **126 women** representing **42% of all speakers** - more than double the figure of the 2017 Summit.

“The UITP Summit is always a special event. This was my first Summit as UITP Secretary General and I know from the level of congratulatory messages I have received that it has been our most successful yet! The hard work and dedication of the entire UITP team has resulted in a Summit which is the largest ever in size, more than just size however, it was the quality of the content, innovations and diverse activities in the programme, the atmosphere, and the stunning exhibition which has resulted in the positive impact on participants. On a personal level I am proud of what UITP has achieved alongside our members for Stockholm 2019 – and on a professional level, I am convinced that this Summit is a turning point in the way we’ll talk about public transport from now on. I look forward to the next steps.”

Mohamed Mezghani
UITP Secretary General

It is clear from the success of the UITP Summit 2019 that the creativity and forward-looking vision of all stakeholders is putting public transport in a leadership position.

Our attendees discovered that the sector is imposing itself as the preferred choice in political decisions, and its focus on people is being embraced and implemented: **It is the People’s Transport**.

And it seems from the success of the UITP Global Summit 2019, that the people found inspiration in **“The Art of Public Transport”** everywhere!

Missed the 2019 UITP Summit? Then catch up with our daily news highlights!

[Sunday 9th June](#) / [Monday 10th June](#) / [Tuesday 11th June](#) / [Wednesday 12th June](#)

The **UITP Global Summit** is a unique gathering for professionals from across the sector – at almost **130 years old** and at **64 editions**, the 2019 Summit was held at the Stockholmassan venue alongside **co-host SL**, the public transport authority for Stockholm.

Stay tuned to [our newsroom](#) for our final Summit 2019 wrap-up report!

[Join the journey from the beginning on our dedicated Summit website](#)

(UITP) The International Association of Public Transport works to enhance quality of life and economic well-being by supporting and promoting sustainable transport in urban areas worldwide. As a passionate champion of sustainable urban mobility, UITP is internationally recognised for its work to advance the development of this critical policy agenda. With more than **1700 members** in almost **100 countries**, UITP has a long history to its name, and is the only worldwide network to bring together all public transport stakeholders and all sustainable transport modes.

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