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UITP CO-ORGANISING HIGH-LEVEL SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT EVENT ON EVE OF UN CLIMATE SUMMIT

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On the eve of the upcoming UN Climate Summit in New York, Alain Flausch, UITP Secretary General and Gunnar Heipp, Chair of the UITP Sustainable Development Commission will convene with other high-level stakeholders to discuss the role of sustainable transport as a solution to climate change.

‘On track for green & clean transport’ is a joint event supported by UITP and will take place in New York on September 22, the day before the Summit. Co-organising the event are the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA), International Union of Railways (UIC), Amtrak and the Partnership for Sustainable Low Carbon Transport (SLoCaT).

The event will examine the role that railways can play as the backbone of sustainable transport systems as well as the climate change mitigation potential of the transport sector in the context of the commitments to be presented at the Summit.

More than 100 other events about climate change will take place during the Climate Week NYC (22-28 September). Climate Change NYC’s events will bring together heads of state, business leaders and civil society representatives to encourage climate action and discuss low carbon solutions.

Find out more about UITP’s role at the forthcoming UN Climate Summit: http://bit.ly/1BLteEI

NOTE TO EDITORS

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