



UITP MOSCOW DECLARATION

"Public transport – the moving force for the economic development of cities"

- *Public transport* represents one of the important parts of the local economy of any city. Without it life in cities would be paralyzed. Not consideration of its importance for the life of the society, lacking attention to problems concerning its protection and development are cost expensive for the society.
- *Public transport* does not only solve transport functions. It also solves serious social functions in the interest of all members of society. For this reason the protection and development of public transport lays in the interest of all, and even of those using public transport rarely preferring his own car from public transport
- *Public transport* represents the locomotive of development of cities. In many cities public transport undertakings are the largest employers. Investments in public transport generate four times more jobs than investments in roads and highways.
- *Public transport* plays an important role in improving the environmental situation of cities. Development of public transport lines and the creation of more modern and comfortable transportation means causes a decrease of traffic congestion and greenhouse effect by diminishing emissions from individual automobiles protecting from consequences of global warming.
- *Public Transport* needs for its normal functioning and development a up-to-date normative legal basis. The lack of such basis distancing public transport from the actual requirements of urban development leads to the loss of prioritization of public transport in the life of the city and consequent forthcoming degradation. .
- *Public transport* cannot be developed without an adequate financing in sufficient volumes, but with the help of attracting financial means from credits or projects of private-public partnerships. For this public transport undertakings of all forms of ownership have to be given clear and transparent contractual relationships with authorities acting in the framework of the up-to-date and responding to the challenges of the time legislation.
- *Public transport*, as also other places of mass concentration of people attract terrorists and person of anti-social behavior Assuring security in public transport has to be the main task not only of the undertakings, but of authorities of all levels.
- The world-wide UITP strategy for *public transport* aims at doubling the modal share of public transport by 2025. With regard to the Eurasian region, our strategy today should be focused on maintaining those volumes of public transport that we presently have and not allowing its further degradation, with the overall goal to reach, step by step, those strategic targets as planned by the world public transport community.

The participants of the first UITP Eurasian Congress call on authorities of all levels responsible decisions on mobility in cities to undertake all possible measures to maintain the present-day public transport share in city mobility with further development of public transport networks, and do it now not leaving the problem for future generations.

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