

Second Global Sustainable Transport Conference

Questions & Answers

1. What is the second Global Sustainable Transport Conference?

1. Can I travel to Vienna for the Conference? What is the quarantine requirement for conference participants?

For the latest information on quarantine requirements in Vienna for international travellers, please check the website or contact the respective Embassy or the Consulate General in your home country. According to the current policy, all international travellers to Vienna are subject to up to 21 days of mandatory quarantine upon arrival. All registered participants should comply with the most stringent measures and travel restrictions and are responsible for their own travel arrangements. The United Nations is not in a position to facilitate or assist with international or domestic travel for any registered participants.

2. How can Member States inscribe to the speakers' list for the plenary?

Detailed information for both in-person and virtual participants regarding guidance to inscription to the speakers' list will be included in an information note, which will be shared with the permanent missions and posted on the website shortly. Member States will be offered the opportunity to inscribe to deliver their statements in one of the three plenary sessions. (To deliver their statements, Member States can choose between addressing them delivered in-person by a representative in Vienna or by making a live virtual statement through the Zoom platform or by submitting a pre-recorded statement to the Secretariat in advance.)

3. Are there substantive background information for the Conference?

The Conference will be informed by an inter-agency report, prepared by UN DESA, in close collaboration with other UN agencies, including IAEA, ILO, UNCTAD (AD, UNCTAD, UNCTAD B, UNCTAD C, UNCTAD D), UNCTAD E, UNCTAD F, UNCTAD G, UNCTAD H, UNCTAD I, UNCTAD J, UNCTAD K, UNCTAD L, UNCTAD M, UNCTAD N, UNCTAD O, UNCTAD P, UNCTAD Q, UNCTAD R, UNCTAD S, UNCTAD T, UNCTAD U, UNCTAD V, UNCTAD W, UNCTAD X, UNCTAD Y, UNCTAD Z, UNCTAD AA, UNCTAD AB, UNCTAD AC, UNCTAD AD, UNCTAD AE, UNCTAD AF, UNCTAD AG, UNCTAD AH, UNCTAD AI, UNCTAD AJ, UNCTAD AK, UNCTAD AL, UNCTAD AM, UNCTAD AN, UNCTAD AO, UNCTAD AP, UNCTAD AQ, UNCTAD AR, UNCTAD AS, UNCTAD AT, UNCTAD AU, UNCTAD AV, UNCTAD AW, UNCTAD AX, UNCTAD AY, UNCTAD AZ, UNCTAD BA, UNCTAD BB, UNCTAD BC, UNCTAD BD, UNCTAD BE, UNCTAD BF, UNCTAD BG, UNCTAD BH, UNCTAD BI, UNCTAD BJ, UNCTAD BK, UNCTAD BL, UNCTAD BM, UNCTAD BN, UNCTAD BO, UNCTAD BP, UNCTAD BQ, UNCTAD BR, UNCTAD BS, UNCTAD BT, UNCTAD BU, UNCTAD BV, UNCTAD BW, UNCTAD BX, UNCTAD BY, UNCTAD BZ, UNCTAD 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4. What does the Conference hope to achieve?

Apart from offering mutual learning and knowledge exchange, the Conference will provide a platform for identifying sustainable solutions and forging partnerships and launching initiatives to advance sustainable transport objectives. (The Secretary-General would like to encourage Member States, UN system entities, civil society and the private sector to launch voluntary commitments, partnerships and initiatives that seek to raise ambition on sustainable transport and to share related information, including by registering them through the dedicated online platform on the Conference website: <https://www.un.org/en/conferences/transport2021/commitments>.)

3. What will be the outcomes of the Conference?

The outcomes of the Conference will be a summary report of the Conference itself, a list of voluntary commitments made, as well as a concise, forward-looking, visionary statement calling for global action to further advance sustainable transport world wide*

The draft of the non-negotiated forward-looking statement is under preparation by the Secretariat, and will be shared with all Conference participants in due course*. In the meantime, interested Member States and other stakeholders are welcome to bring to our attention any relevant reports/studies/statements/initiatives/commitments that they may deem appropriate, including key elements of their forthcoming statements/contributions for the Conference, so that these could be taken into account, as appropriate, as well as posted on the Conference website*

14. What will be discussed?

All modes of transport—road, rail, aviation and waterborne—will be addressed, and recent scientific and technological advances deliberated*. Some of the issues to be addressed at the Conference include sustainable transport, poverty eradication, livelihoods and economic recovery, sustainable transport and regional development, sustainable transport and connectivity, sustainable transport and green development, policies for sustainable transport, the role of science, technology, innovation and the private sector for sustainable transport, and sustainable transport and sustainable cities*. The concerns of vulnerable groups, such as women, the youth, the elderly, persons with disabilities, and the poor, and of many developing countries, including least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States, will receive particular focus*. Key transport objectives, such as access for all, climate leading no one be left behind, green mobility, efficiency, safety and resilience will be discussed*

11. Will there be side events?

Side events sponsored by Member States, UN system entities and other eligible stakeholders on themes related to the Conference will be organized on the margins of the official meetings of the Conference* (the side events will allow additional informal space for sharing experiences and provide alternative opportunities for dialogue* (they will be coordinated and managed by the Conference Secretariat*). Deadline for applications is 2+ September 2021. I apply here; <https://www.un.org/en/conferences/transport2021/side>* A full list of approved side events and their connection details will be made available on the Conference website*

12. Why is an international Conference on sustainable transport necessary?

Presently, truly sustainable transport is more aspiration than reality and adequate sustainable transport systems are lacking in many parts of the world. While the economic, social, and environmental benefits can be large, many countries have yet

to transition to modes and technologies of transport " ic " ould ma!e systems truly sustainable* A lac! of transport options and mobility c allenges fre5uently contribute to persistent po#erty, ine5uality, and depri#ations across t e " orld increasing t e ris! of people being left be ind* In addition, megatrends, including population gro" t and demograp ic s ifts, epidemiological trends, globali4ation, urbani4ation, and digitali4ation, as " ell as related c anging consumption patterns and gro" ing trade policy uncertainty, pose many cross'cutting c allenges as " ell as opportunities for ac ie#ing sustainable transport and de#elopment* In order to meet t e increasing and c anging transport demands " ile preser#ing t e planet for current and future generations, " e " ill a#e to c ange t e " ay " e plan, de#elop and use transport modes and systems, as " ell as t e public space in " ic t ey operate, " ile ta!ing into account t e c allenges and needs of #ulnerable groups* -ur response to t e)-OID'11 pandemic can pro#ide #aluable lessons in t is regard* (e)onference oCers a uni5ue opportunity for diCerent sta!e olders to discuss t ese issues and come up " it inno#ati#e and #iable solutions*

13. What is sustainable transport?

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