



# **PRESS RELEASE**

# UITP AND UIC PARTNER WITH UNFCCC: AGREEMENT REACHED FOR COP23

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UITP is pleased to announce the approval of our partnership with the UNFCCC alongside the International Union of Railways (UIC) to raise awareness of sustainable transport to climate action at COP23.

Specifically, the partnership will promote sustainable public transport options during the UN Climate Change Conference such as the 'Clean Shuttle Service' that was launched at the opening of COP 23.

A poster campaign has also been launched at throughout the city. The campaign led by UITP and the International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) highlights the economic benefits of taking climate action on public transport

This first ever agreement between the UNFCCC, UITP, UIC further enhances the credibility of the sustainable transport sector.

By promoting sustainable transport as a solution to climate Change through the Marrakesh Partnership to Climate Action – a framework designed to support partnership and cooperation – it can help to scale up action by bringing countries and other stakeholders closer together.

The <u>UITP Declaration on Climate Leadership</u> will feature as a key transport collaborative initiative under the UNFCCC Marrakesh Partnership Transport Day on 11 November, where key initiatives will be highlighted that can help countries be more ambitious on sustainable transport.





"We can take the opportunity to fight climate change or lose it and with the UITP Declaration, the public transport sector is here to work with Parties to help the development and implementation of low carbon solutions with quality public transport. That will be the key to meeting the 2 degree goal". UITP Secretary General, Alain Flausch.

Visit the <u>UNFCCC website</u> for more on the Paris Agreement and the full <u>UNFCCC</u> <u>COP23 website</u> for all you need to know about the activities in Bonn.

To see more on UITP's involvement in Bonn please visit our dedicated <u>news site</u> and official <u>twitter page</u> for daily updates.

#### NOTE TO EDITORS

The International Association of Public Transport (UITP) is a passionate champion of sustainable urban mobility and is the only worldwide network to bring together all public transport stakeholders and all sustainable transport modes. We have 1,500 member companies giving access to 16,000 contacts from 96 countries. Our members are public transport authorities and operators, policy decision-makers, research institutes and the public transport supply and service industry. Visit our website <u>www.uitp.org</u>. Follow us on Twitter: <u>@UITPpress</u>

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