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Press briefing on Sustainable Urban Mobility

A *Call for Action* for national governments to implement the necessary national policies to deliver the transformation of urban mobility set out in the New Urban Agenda.

Quito, 18th October 2016 @ 14:00

WHAT: A Call for Action from a wide range of transport and development stakeholders to

national governments throughout the world to provide the national urban mobility financing and enabling frameworks necessary to allow cities to deliver on the vision of

urban mobility set out in the New Urban Agenda.

WHEN: Tuesday 18th at 14:00

WHERE: Habitat III - Press Conference Room

WHY: On a number of occasions e.g. the Sustainable Development Goals (2015) and the Paris

Agreement on Climate Change (2015), the UN Member States have taken decisions that

will require a fundamental transformation of transport patterns.

The New Urban Agenda sets out an ambitious vision for urban mobility - but now needs

to be implemented.

The transport and development community are organised and ready to play their role however, they now need national governments to provide the necessary funding and enabling framework necessary to stimulate the transformation of urban mobility.

We need concerted and comprehensive action to cope with the additional 2.3 billion people expected to be living in urban areas by 2050. A rapid **expansion and transformation to urban mobility systems** based on walking, cycling and public transport is required. Without action urban transport systems will suffer from growing congestion, road deaths/injuries, air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

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RESOURCES:

A Press Pack with a variety of resources, announcements and contacts – will be distributed at the Press Briefing.

For an **overview of transport activities at Habitat III**: http://www.ppmc-transport.org/sustainable transport-events-at-habitat-iii/

The Press are invited to the Transport Day, Quito – 19th October: http://www.ppmctransport.org/transportdayquito/

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