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Report of the High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment and of the special session of the Steering Committee of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme

Corrigendum

1. Paragraph 4

For the existing text substitute

The Fifth High-level Meeting was attended by representatives of the following member States: Armenia, Austria (represented by the Federal President of the Republic of Austria, Mr. Alexander Van der Bellen, the Federal Minister for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology and the Federal Minister for Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection), Azerbaijan (represented by the Minister for Transport, Communications and High Technologies), Belarus, Belgium (represented by the Minister for the Climate, the Environment, Sustainable Development and the Green Deal and the Minister for Mobility), Canada, Croatia (represented by the State Secretary of the Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure), Cyprus (represented by the Minister for Transport, Communications and Works), Czechia (represented by the Deputy Minister for Transport and the Deputy Minister for the Environment), Denmark (represented by the Minister for Transport), France, Georgia (represented by the Minister for Environmental Protection and Agriculture), Germany (represented by the Federal Minister for Transport and Digital Infrastructure), Greece (represented by the Minister for Environment and Energy), Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel (represented by the Minister for Environmental Protection), Italy (represented by the Minister for Sustainable Infrastructure and Mobility), Kazakhstan (represented by the Vice-Minister for Industry and Infrastructure Development), Kyrgyzstan, Latvia (represented by the Minister for Transport), Lithuania (represented by the Minister for Health and the Vice-Minister for Transport and Communications), Luxembourg (represented by the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Sustainable Development and the Minister for Mobility and Public Works), Malta (represented by the Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects), Netherlands (represented by the Minister for the Environment), North Macedonia (represented by the Minister for Health and the Minister for Environment and Physical Planning), Norway, Portugal (represented by the Secretary of State for Mobility), Republic of Moldova (represented by the State Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development





and Environment), Romania (represented by the Secretary of State of the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure), Russian Federation (represented by the Deputy Minister for Transport), San Marino, Serbia (represented by the Minister for Construction, Transport and Infrastructure and the State Secretary of the Ministry of Environmental Protection), Slovakia (represented by the Minister for Transport and Construction and the Minister for the Environment), Slovenia (represented by the State Secretary of the Ministry of Infrastructure, responsible for sustainable mobility), Spain (represented by the Minister for the Ecological Transition and the Demographic Challenge, the Minister for Health and the State Secretary General for Transport and Mobility), Switzerland (represented by the Deputy Director of the Federal Office of Public Health and the Deputy Director and Head of Policy Division of the Federal Office of Transport), Tajikistan (represented by the Deputy Minister for Transport), Turkey (represented by the Minister for Environment and Urbanization), Ukraine (represented by the Minister for Infrastructure), United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (represented by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Department for Transport) and United States of America (represented by the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs).

2. Paragraph 5

For the existing text substitute

5. Representatives of the European Commission (represented by the European Commissioner for Transport), the European Environment Agency (EEA), the European Investment Bank, the International Finance Corporation, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), the Permanent Secretariat of the Transport Community, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and the World Bank participated in the High-level Meeting.

3. Paragraph 6

For the existing text substitute

6. In addition, numerous organizations, observers and private companies were represented at or attended the High-level Meeting or the side events, a list of which can be found in annex I to the present document. Overall, 46 ministers, deputy ministers, State secretaries and high-level ministerial representatives attended the High-level Meeting. In total, more than 850 participants from 42 countries registered for the High-level Meeting, side events and exhibition online.

4. Paragraph 22

For the existing text substitute

22. Interventions from the floor were made by the Minister for the Ecological Transition and the Demographic Challenge of Spain, the Vice-Minister for Transport and Communications of Lithuania, the Secretary of State of the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure of Romania, the Executive Director of the European Federation for Transport and Environment (Transport and Environment), Pro Senectute (Switzerland) and the Executive Director of the Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia (see annex III to the present document for a full list of panellists and intervenors for each panel discussion held during the ministerial segment).

5. Paragraph 27

For the existing text substitute

27. Interventions from the floor were made by the Minister for Environment and Energy of Greece, the Minister for Sustainable Infrastructure and Mobility of Italy, the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Sustainable Development of Luxembourg, the Minister for the Environment of Slovakia, the Minister for Infrastructure of Ukraine, the State Secretary of

the Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment of the Republic of Moldova, the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs of the United States of America, the Chief Executive Officer of the Partnership on Sustainable, Low Carbon Transport, the Director General of the International Union of Railways, the Director of the Permanent Secretariat of the Transport Community and the Director of the Regional Environmental Centre for the Caucasus.

6. Paragraph 30

After paragraph 30, insert four new paragraphs reading

30 bis. Member States were also committing to developing a comprehensive pan-member State European strategy on transport, health and the environment, including a clear pathway for its implementation, to achieve the agreed vision and guide the further work of THE PEP. Different legal options to give effect to the vision and strategy would be analysed and draft proposals elaborated. Member States supported the implementation of mobility management programmes and committed to ensuring that transport, health, the environment and spatial planning were considered together to achieve policy coherence with regard to reducing urban sprawl and agreed to promote the mobilization of financial resources, including from international financial institutions. They also decided to accelerate the introduction of electromobility and increase the share of renewable energy powering transport.

30 ter. As a cornerstone, member States adopted the first ever Pan-European Master Plan on Cycling Promotion (see annex III to present document) and committed to achieving (by 2030) a significant increase in cycling and walking in every country, thus contributing to the overall target of doubling cycling in the region as a whole; an extension and improvement of infrastructure for safe cycling and walking; the development and implementation of national cycling and walking policies, supported by national cycling and walking plans, strategies and programmes; a significant improvement in the safety of cyclists and pedestrians; the integration of cycling and walking into health policies, as well as transport infrastructure and land-use planning.

30 quater. Member States acknowledged cycling and walking as equal modes of transport contributing to sustainable and resilient livelihoods. ECE was requested to establish, based on the Pan-European Master Plan, a trans-European cycling network. The Partnership on Cycling Promotion would be extended to a Partnership on Active Mobility that should develop a pan-European master plan on active mobility and a pan-European competence centre for active mobility.

30 quinquies. The importance of THE PEP for fostering the transformation to achieve the vision, in particular through THE PEP Partnerships, relay race and Academy, was highlighted in the final part of the Declaration. New partnerships on active mobility, child- and youth-friendly mobility and sustainable tourism mobility would be established. The initiatives of France, to host an event marking the twentieth anniversary of THE PEP in 2022, and of the Russian Federation, to host the Sixth High-level Meeting in 2025, were welcomed.

7. Paragraph 32, line 6

For State Secretary for Infrastructure and Water Management read Minister for the Environment

8. Paragraph 35

For the existing text substitute

35. Interventions from the floor were made by the Federal Minister for Transport and Digital Infrastructure of Germany, the Minister for Health of Lithuania, the Minister for Health of Spain, the Minister for Environment and Urbanization of Turkey, the Deputy Minister for Transport of Tajikistan, the State Secretary of the Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure of Croatia and the Deputy Director of the Federal Office of Public Health of Switzerland. Statements were also made by the General Manager of the Confederation of the European Bicycle Industry and by the President of the European Cyclists' Federation. Speakers underscored that cycling was a clean, safe, healthy, resilient and inclusive mode of

transport that contributed to promoting active, healthier lifestyles, reducing air and noise pollution, and increasing social cohesion and equity. Efforts needed to be made to provide incentives for people to buy and repair bikes and e-bikes and to increase cyclists' safety. Improved cycling infrastructure and dedicated cycling lanes could pave the way for the creation of new jobs, including in the burgeoning cycling tourism industry.

9. Paragraph 38

For the existing text substitute

38. Interventions from the floor were made by the Minister for Transport of Denmark, the Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects of Malta, the Minister for the Environment of the Netherlands, the Minister for Health of North Macedonia, the Minister for Construction, Transport and Infrastructure of Serbia, the Minister for Transport and Construction of Slovakia, the State Secretary General for Transport and Mobility of Spain and the Director of the Zweirad-Industrie-Verband (German bicycle industry).

10. Paragraph 47

After paragraph 47, insert a new paragraph reading

47 bis. Ms Leonore Gewessler thanked all participating ministers, State secretaries, delegations of member States, ECE, WHO and representatives of international organizations, NGOs and youth representatives for their active participation, inspiring contributions and great support for the adoption of the Vienna Declaration and its annexes, in particular the first Pan-European Master Plan for Cycling Promotion. She also thanked the Austrian conference team, the technical support team and interpreters. Subsequently, she thanked the Chair of THE PEP, Mr. Robert Thaler, for his commitment, enthusiasm and efforts and closed the High-level Meeting. Lastly, a short farewell video on the host cities of the High-level Meetings of THE PEP was shown.

11. Annex III, table "List of panellists and intervenors for each panel discussion held during the ministerial segment", Panel 3, "Vienna Declaration and its annexes, in particular the first ever Pan-European Master Plan on Cycling Promotion", column "Panellists and intervenors", line 1

For Moderator read

Keynote speaker and moderator

12. Annex III, table "List of panellists and intervenors for each panel discussion held during the ministerial segment", Panel 3, "Vienna Declaration and its annexes, in particular the first ever Pan-European Master Plan on Cycling Promotion", column "Panellists and intervenors", line 11

For State Secretary for Infrastructure and Water Management read Minister for the Environment

13. Annex III, table "List of panellists and intervenors for each panel discussion held during the ministerial segment", Panel 3, "Vienna Declaration and its annexes, in particular the first ever Pan-European Master Plan on Cycling Promotion", column "Panellists and intervenors", line 23

After line 23, "Mr. Murat Kurum, Minister for Environment and Urbanization of Turkey", insert a new line *reading*

Ms. Saidmurodzoda Shoista, Deputy Minister for Transport of Tajikistan