

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP in MOSCOW SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF URBAN TRANSPORT: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

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in cooperation with the

Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Health and Social Development,
Ministry of Natural Resources, Ministry of Regional Development
of the Russian Federation, City of Moscow

and the

Scientific and Research Institute of Motor Transport (NIIAT)

INFORMATION NOTE

I. Objectives

1. The objective of the international THE PEP Workshop “Sustainable development of urban transport: challenges and opportunities” is to encourage transport, health and environment policymakers to work together in developing strategies and measures for sustainable and healthy urban transport. Participants will identify needs, challenges and opportunities to promote innovative policies and mobility management programmes that support environmentally friendly and healthy transport policies and improve urban livelihoods in Moscow and other large cities of the region. The overarching theme of the workshop is integrated policy approaches to sustainable urban transport in accordance with Priority Goal 2 of the Amsterdam Declaration.
2. Environment, transport and health sectors as well as other related sectors will be represented. Government officials, national and local authorities, representatives of private sectors, academia, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and international experts will come together to inform and learn from each other. Participants will have the opportunity to present successful experiences and discuss root causes of deficiencies.

II. Background

3. The workshop is organized under the auspices of the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP), that was established in 2002 by the Member States of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the World Health Organization, Regional Office for Europe (WHO/Europe). THE PEP aims to support healthier and more environmentally friendly transport in the Pan-European region through the implementation of integrated and concrete policy actions involving the transport, health and environmental sectors on an equal footing.
4. Following the workshop on Working together for sustainable and healthy urban transport held in Kiev (Ukraine), this event is the fifth region-wide meeting of the THE PEP staffete (relay race), one of the main mechanisms adopted by the Third High level Meeting.
5. The Government of the Russian Federation in collaboration with the city of Moscow hosts and leads this activity. Practical support to the organisation of the event is provided by the Scientific and Research Institute of Motor Transport (NIIAT).

III. Practical information

Registration, opening session and closure

6. Registration of participants will take place at the meeting venue from 08:30 on Thursday 7 June. The meeting will start at 09:30. It is expected that the meeting will close at 3.30 p.m. on 8 June 2012.

Language

7. The Workshop will be conducted in English and Russian; simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

Meals

8. Lunch and refreshments during short breaks at the morning and afternoon sessions will be provided for participants. There will be a social dinner on 6 June and a dinner reception on Thursday 7, organized by the Host.

Meeting venue

9. The workshop will take place at the Conference Hall of the Scientific and Research Institute of Motor Transport (NIIAT), 24 Geroev Panfilovcev st., Moscow.

Participation

10. The Workshop is open to experts from national and local authorities, practitioners, the private sector, academia, non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders from all UNECE and WHO/Europe member countries as well as for experts from international organizations.

11. Each participant should complete a registration form (see webpage: <http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=29677>) and return it to the secretariat (secretariat@thepep.org) as soon as possible, but not later than 10 May 2012.

Local transportation

12. Transfers of all meeting participants from the airport and back will be arranged by the host country. During the meeting days participants will collectively go to the Conference Hall by metro (From Hotel "Petr I" it takes about 40-45 minutes). You are kindly requested to provide the information regarding the date, time and flight numbers of your arrival and departure to Ms. Anna Stupina, e-mail: a.stupina@niiat.ru and Mr. Konstantin Terekhov, e-mail: terekhov@niiat.ru.

Accommodation

13. A block reservation for meeting participants has been made at the Hotel "Petr I" (<http://www.hotel-peter1.ru/eng/>) in the centre of Moscow, within walking distance from Red Square. Special price for the meeting participants is 5'760 RUB (approximately 150 euro) per night. If you wish to book the room in this hotel, please contact Ms. Anna Stupina, e-mail: a.stupina@niiat.ru and Mr. Konstantin Terekhov, e-mail: terekhov@niiat.ru, tel.: + 7 (905) 553 24 24, +7 (495) 496 57 10, fax: + 7 (495) 496 62 29.

Visas

14. Please check with your travel agent if Entry visa is required for your travel to Russian Federation. If so, please forward, as soon as possible your registration form, scanned copy of your passport to organisers in Moscow, to Ms. Anna Stupina, e-mail: a.stupina@niiat.ru and Mr. Konstantin Terekhov, e-mail: terekhov@niiat.ru and please provide your permanent address and the city where are you going to get a visa. The organisers will provide invitation letters and ensure the permission for issuing visa.

Insurance

15. Please make sure that you have adequate individual health, accident and travel risk insurance cover, they will not be covered by the organisers.

Further information and contacts

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us:

For registration and financial support:

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For local logistics, accommodation, visa, shipment of material and other practical questions:

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Up-to-date information, the registration form and relevant material are available on the following website:

<http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=29677>