

MEDIA ADVISORY

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ITF brings transport policy expertise to COP22 climate conference

Global transport policy think tank contributes to more than half a dozen expert events in Marrakech

The International Transport Forum (ITF) will highlight the role of transport in reducing CO₂ emissions and combating climate change in more than half a dozen events at the COP22 climate change conference starting in Marrakech (Morocco) today.

A particular focus of ITF will be the presentation of its “Decarbonising Transport” project in two side events on 11 and 12 November.

Here is an overview of events with ITF involvement during COP22.

Friday, 11 November

09:00-12:30 | Bab Ighli site, Blue Zone, Moroccan Pavillion

Les secteurs de l'équipement, du transport et de la logistique au Maroc: Engagement au pluriel pour un développement durable

Mary Crass, ITF's Head of Institutional Relations and Summit, speaks at the side event organised by the Moroccan Ministry of Equipment, Transport and Logistics.

11:15-13:00 | Palmeraie Golf Palace

Accelerating global climate efforts and reporting for a sustainable, low-carbon and energy-efficient future

ITF Transport Analyst Vincent Benezech will speak during this panel of the 10YFP Sustainable Tourism Programme International Symposium, organised by the UN Environment Programme (UNEP), the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) and the governments of France and Korea.

13:15-14:45 | Bab Ighli site, Blue Zone, Room Bering

Charting Pathways to Decarbonise Transport

In order to successfully decarbonise the transport sector, challenges in all transport modes must be addressed. This event will focus on developing new pathways and closing the gaps between national commitments and delivery on climate mitigation for different transport modes

- ▶ José Viegas, ITF Secretary-General
- ▶ Alain Flausch, Secretary-General, International Association of Public Transport (UITP)
- ▶ Jean-Pierre Loubinoux, Director General, International Union of Railways (UIC)
- ▶ Jane Hupe, Deputy Director, Air Transport Bureau, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
- ▶ Edmund Hughes, Head of Air Pollution and Energy Efficiency, International Maritime Organization (IMO)
- ▶ Mohamed Rabie Khlie, Chairman, UIC African Region and CEO, Moroccan Railway ONCF
- ▶ Amadou Ba, President, Executive Council of Urban Transport in Dakar (CETUD), Senegal

This side event is organised by ITF, UITP and UIC.

16:00-18:30 | Bab Ighli site, Blue Zone, African Pavillion

Ministerial Roundtable

José Viegas, ITF Secretary General will be speaking at a Ministerial Roundtable organised by the Ministry of Equipment, Transport and Logistics.

Saturday, 12 November

16:30–18:00 | Bab Ighli site, Blue Zone, Area D, European Union Pavillion, Room Bratislava

Transport Models as Climate Policy Evaluation Tools

The development of strong linkages between transport models and climate change mitigation measures is critical to the successful reduction of global carbon emissions. Transport, energy and climate change modelling experts will share their insights from a range of models that have been developed to help policy makers evaluate different types of mitigation measures for the transport sector. The presentations will be followed by a panel discussion that will address the role of transport models in evaluating climate policies.

- ▶ Jari Kauppila, Head of Statistics and Modelling, ITF
- ▶ Sudhir Gota, Partnership on Sustainable, Low Carbon Transport (SLoCaT)
- ▶ Sonia Yeh, Chalmers University of Technology, Sweden
- ▶ Tristan Smith, University College London, UK (tbc)
- ▶ Yoshitsugu Hayashi, Chubu University, Japan

This side event is organised by ITF.

10:00-10:30 | Bab Ighli site, Blue Zone, Atlantic Room

The need for transformative action to tackle climate change in the transport sector

ITF Secretary-General José Viegas will speak during the opening session of the Global Climate Action Event on Transport, organised by the Paris Process on Mobility and Climate.

Sunday, 13 November (“Transport Day Marrakech”)

10:45-12:00 | Es Saadi Gardens Resort and Palace

Modelling of 1.5 Degree Scenarios Transport Pathways

Wei-Shiuen Ng, ITF Transport Analyst, will speak at Transport Day’s breakout session 1A

Tuesday, 15 November

17:00-18:00 | Bab Ighli site, Blue Zone, Atlantic Room

Low Carbon Freight and Shipping

ITF Transport Analyst Vincent Benezech will moderate this session of the Low Emissions Solutions Conference, organised by the Government of Morocco, the UN Sustainable Solutions Development

Network (SDSN), the World Business Council on Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and the International Council for Local Environment Initiatives (ICLEI).

Official venue information: <http://newsroom.unfccc.int/cop22marrakechinformationhub/cop-22cmp-12cma-1-information-hub-venue-and-logistics>

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Who we are

The International Transport Forum is an intergovernmental organisation with 57 member countries. It acts as a think tank for transport policy and organises the Annual Summit of transport ministers. The ITF is the only global body that covers all transport modes. The ITF is administratively integrated with the OECD, yet politically autonomous.

What we do

ITF works for transport policies that improve peoples' lives. Our mission is to foster a deeper understanding of the role of transport in economic growth, environmental sustainability and social inclusion and to raise the public profile of transport policy.

How we do it

ITF organises global dialogue for better transport. We act as a platform for discussion and pre-negotiation of policy issues across all transport modes. We analyse trends, share knowledge and promote exchange among transport decision-makers and civil society. The ITF's Annual Summit is the world's largest gathering of transport ministers and the leading global platform for dialogue on transport policy.

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