The need for Sustainable Urban Mobility

Cities are engines of socio-economic development. Yet, in many developing and emerging economies, urban dwellers are facing increasing transport challenges. Widespread congestion and traffic gridlock have now become the norm in many cities, impacting urban life through negative externalities such as pollution, noise stress and accidents.

There is need for a paradigm shift towards more sustainable transport systems.

Objectives

» Orient decision-makers to develop an alternative paradigm for urban mobility in their city - that seeks to improve accessibility by introducing more efficient, inclusive, safe and innovative public transport integrated with active mobility modes;

» Facilitate exchange among decision-makers on best practices around sustainable urban mobility and land use integration;

» Foster discussions among urban practitioners, experts and system providers on innovative mobility solutions;

» Learn how to successfully embed innovative mobility solutions in mobility planning, policies & regulation;

» Be introduced to sustainable funding mechanisms, including the applicability of public-private partnerships;

» Build a knowledge base and partnership platform for continuous exchange on sustainable urban mobility.

The concept

The Academy provides a combination of classroom and web-based training linked with targeted study tours to La Paz, Bolivia, and Sao Paolo, Brazil. Successful applicants, will be given a pre-training preparation before the weeklong workshop which includes study visits. On return, participants are expected to put their learning into practice – and will be further benefitting from established partnerships, capacity building and technical advice. Continuous learning and sharing will be facilitated in the long-term through the AoSUM alumni network.

This course is aimed at decision-makers who wish to gain an advanced understanding of Sustainable and Innovative Urban Mobility Solutions. You are eligible to apply only if you are a representative of a local, regional or national government, transport operator or transport authority.

Application

Application Deadline: 22 January 2019
Send your Letter of Interest to stefanie.holzwarth@un.org

Date: 6th – 10th May 2019
Venue: La Paz, Bolivia & Sao Paolo, Brazil

All costs of the stay in Latin America will be covered by the organizers.

Flight costs should be covered by participants (subject to discussion)