

PRESS RELEASE

ON RESULTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE “SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS OF SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT AND PEACE” AND THE GOLDEN CHARIOT AWARD CEREMONY

The first international transport and environmental conference “Sustainable Development Goals Of Sustainable Transport And Peace”, which brought together guests and participants from 30 countries around the world, was held at the UN Palace of Nations in Geneva on 12-13 April 2017. The Conference was held under the auspices of the International Association of Peace Foundations (led by the world chess champion Anatoly Karpov) and the Organizing Committee of the International Transport Award "Golden Chariot" with Albert Zhukov as its chairman.

The fact that the opening of the Forum coincided with the International Cosmonautics Day was quite symbolic. The Astronauts who were working on the orbit offered their congratulations to all the Forum attendees, and that marked a great start of the Conference.

The Forum agenda was represented by the following topics:

- The use of innovative technologies in terms of tackling the environmental challenges of today and tomorrow as an effective tool of sustainable transport development.
- Environmental initiatives and industry programs. Research and innovation: what is the best way to make transport more eco-friendly? Best practices (examples of use, reducing costs and emissions). Practical solutions for implementation of sustainable transport development.
- IT development as a cost reducing factor and an opportunity to lower environmental impact. Use of innovative technologies in course of sustainable transport development.

The entry list of the Forum and the Award Ceremony comprised representatives of public authorities, UN experts, leaders of the world transport associations, such as the Organization for Cooperation of Railways (OSJD), the International Air Transport Association (TIACA), International Union of railways (UIC), Coordinating Council on Trans-Siberian Transportation (CCTT), the non-profit association FERRMED, the Committee on International Transport (CIT), the International Road-Transport Union (IRU), the International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA), BRICS-PED and other heads of the world's largest industry companies.

The Conference and the Golden Chariot Award Ceremony embraced notable participants: Joan Amoros, President FERRMED; Victor Zhukov, Deputy Chairman of the Organization for Cooperation between Railways, Rodrigo Dora, Organization promoting the economic development of the BRICS countries, CEO, Arbitration Chamber; Gennady Bessonov, Coordinating Council on Trans-Siberian Transportation, General Director; Erik Evtimov, Deputy Secretary General CIT; Vladimir Zubkov, Secretary General TIACA; Anne Sandretto, IT Working Group, FIATA; Ning Bin, Rector of Beijing Jiaotong University; Professor Boris A.Lievin, Rector of Moscow State University of Railway Engineering etc.

The end of the conference was marked by awarding the world's best environmentally responsible transport companies. It is noteworthy that this event was first held on the UN platform. The Awards were received by:

1. **RUSSIA** - Moscow State University of Railway Engineering (MIIT), the nomination «Achievements in Transport Science and Education»
2. **MONGOLIA** - IFFC - International Freight Forwarding Center of Ulaanbaatar Railway, the nomination «Achievements in Global Logistics Services Provision»
3. **CHINA** - CRRC, the nomination «Excellence in Railway Transport»
4. **CANADA** - Stanley G. Wraight, the nomination «Outstanding Contribution to Transport Industry Development»
5. **CROATIA** - EKomobilis, the nomination «Most Innovative Navigational Support in Transport Industry»
6. **POLAND** - TINES, the nomination «Achievements in the Sphere of Transport Construction Project»
7. **GEORGIA** - TV-Radio Company TRIALETI, the nomination «Contribution to Popularization of the Transport Industry in mass media»
8. **ITALY** - Forum of the Cities of the New Silk Road, the nomination «Achievements for Strengthening International Relationships in Transport Sector»
9. **INDIA** - Kale Logistics, the nomination «Project of the Year in the Transport Industry»
10. **CZECH REPUBLIC** - Aurora Engineering, the nomination «Small and Medium sized business of the Year»
11. **LUXEMBOURG** - CFL multimodal S.A., the nomination «Achievements in Global Logistics Services Provision»
12. **BRASIL** - METRO DF, the nomination «National Transport Company of the Year»
13. **UKRAINE** - State Administration of Railway Transport of Ukraine «Ukrzaliznytsia» the nomination «Excellence in Railway Transport»
14. **MALI** - Sadio Baba Invest Ltd, the nomination «Most Effective Investment in Transport Industry»
15. **AUSTRALIA** – ADGEX Limited, the nomination «Excellence in the Environmental Sustainability»

The merits of the member of the Presidium, TIACA General Secretary Vladimir Zubkov were rewarded by the Golden Chariot Award and the Diploma in the nomination "For Strengthening International Relations in Transportation".

The award was also received by Dr. Renu Singh Parmar, Senior Adviser of the Ministry of Civil Aviation (India) for the development of the national air cargo system (ACS) in the nomination «Project of the Year in the Transport Industry».

It is especially worth noting that the international conference “Sustainable Development Goals Of Sustainable Transport And Peace” and the Golden Chariot Award Ceremony held in Geneva

became the first Transport and Ecology Forum that brought together representatives of almost all segments of the industry. The guests and participants of the conference specifically outlined this fact.

Following the results of the conference, all the participants adopted the Resolution, according to which a number of proposals would be forwarded to the UN Secretary General Antonia Guterres:

- the implementation of a program to achieve the goals of sustainable development in transport, with the support of non-state international industry associations and organizations;
- the possibility of including in the List of official United Nations holidays "International Day of Sustainable Development of World Transport".

The Presidium, the experts and the organizers of the International Transport Award Golden Chariot sincerely thank all the guests and participants of the conference “Sustainable development goals of sustainable transport and peace” for constructive work and congratulate the best representatives of the international transport community.

The Organizing Committee expresses gratitude to the partners and sponsors of the conference and the ceremony: State Cooperation “ROSCOSMOS”, The Organization for Cooperation between Railways and personally to the Chairman of OSJD Tadeusz Szozda; the leader in the field of innovative technologies in the field of transport and ecology, Australian company ADGEX Limited and its founder Victor Uzlov.

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