In 2019, the United Nations Secretary-General (UNSG) called on all leaders to come to New York in September for the Climate Action Summit with concrete plans in line with reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 45 percent over the next decade, and to net zero emissions by 2050. On this occasion, for the first time, over 100 organisations came together in a bold, multi-pronged commitment to accelerate the decarbonisation of transport worldwide.

The Action Towards Climate-Friendly Transport Initiative - ACT Initiative, is the world’s largest global coalition aiming to catalyse transport as an enabler of sustainable development in line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement. ACT is delivering results and works through four components, each with its own nuanced goals and approaches.

ACT delivers on its goals by connecting innovative approaches with integrated, long-term planning, speeding up the deployment of electric vehicles, creating a mass market for zero-emission freight vehicles, and fostering global dialogue arenas with and among the private sector.

This event has a targeted approach to multi-stakeholder engagement and synergies, focused on the policy and proposals needed to advance progress. It brings a focused and effective approach to sustainable transport policymaking from stakeholders around the world,
delivering on the conference’s call for global action to further advance sustainable transport worldwide.

Welcome: Shivam Ghai, Policy and Advocacy Officer, SLOCAT Partnership (7 min)

Opening remarks: Dr. Heike Henn, Commissioner for climate policy and climate financing, German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) (5 min)

Panel Discussion (40 min):
Moderator: Shivam Ghai

Nancy Vandyke, Programme Manager, Transport Global Practice, World Bank | Sustainable Mobility for All (SuM4ALL) Secretariat (TBC)

Dr. Bruno Reis, Mayor, City of Salvador de Bahía, Brazil | TUMI E-Bus Mission (TBC)

Cristiano Façanha, Director, CALSTART Drive to Zero (TBC)

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Closing (5 min):
Respondent: United Nations Climate Action Team (TBC)