**Side event:** Sustainable transportation and sustainable urban development under the new normal in Asia

**Concept Note:**

After the epidemic, General Secretary Xi pointed out that "mankind is experiencing the most serious global public health emergency since the end of the Second World War." The World Health Organization convened a meeting and proposed six measures to deal with the epidemic. Among them, it mentioned the development of cities that incorporate health into all aspects of urban planning, from sustainable transportation systems to healthy housing. In other words, sustainable transportation systems and sustainable urban development are important aspects of responding to the epidemic.

Xianyuan ZHU, the interim East Asia Director of ITDP as the host of the event will discuss in depth how the urban transportation system can be diversified in the post-epidemic era through a dialogue with the guests. The pattern of value recognition, mutual trust, and cooperation between the subjects realizes the people's needs of "justice and fairness; livable and suitable for work; sense of gain, happiness, and security". Specifically, how does urban traffic return to the origin of serving people, matching people's sustainable mobility, shifting from focusing on traffic capacity to improving travel accessibility, fairness and sustainability, and paying more attention to the integration of multiple travel modes with the improvement of the travel environment, through the provision of fair and inclusive city services, it is ensured that everyone enjoys basic transportation services, especially the elderly, children, the disabled, and low-income groups, providing personalized travel services.

Discussion topics will include but are not limited to 15-minute neighborhood, cycling return, e-bike grooming and management, street space optimization, child-friendly cities/communities, zero-elevation cities, shared mobility, customized public transportation, Maas, electrification of buses, oil cap, low-emission zone and etc.

The speakers will share their experience and projects focus on Asian cities, especially Chinese cities, like 15 minutes neighborhood plan in Tianjin, street quality improvement in Guangzhou, the victory of the electric bus revolution and lesson learned from Shenzhen, child-friendly city of Changsha, E-bike development and management lessons from Nanning, parking reform of Beijing, low-emission zone in Jinan

**Moderator:** Xianyuan ZHU, ITDP, Interim East Asia Director
**Time and Format:**
15 October: 8:00 - 9:30 AM (CST, GMT+8)
The initial planned duration of this side event is 1.5 hours. The event will take the form of relaxed interviews.

**The Organizer:**
The Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (ITDP)

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