## Special Note of the Host Country on the Opening Ceremony and the First Plenary Session of the 2<sup>nd</sup> United Nations Global Sustainable Transport Conference

## To UN members, UN agencies and IGOs

## Excellencies,

With reference to the Note Verbale of the United Nations to all Permanent Missions in New York, we, as the host of the Conference, are very pleased to announce that the opening ceremony and the first plenary session of the 2<sup>nd</sup> United Nations Global Sustainable Transport Conference will be held in a hybrid format at 20:00- 21:10 on 14 October Beijing time. The State Leader of the People's Republic of China, the UN Secretary-General and some Heads of State and Government will attend and address the Conference.

We therefore sincerely invite transport ministers of UN Member States, officials of Specialized Agencies and related UN organizations, representatives of intergovernmental organizations to attend the two above-mentioned events online. We, as the host of the Conference, will initiate and provide technical guarantee for the on-line organization of the opening ceremony and the first plenary session.

In order to present universal representation of UN family on the Conference, please be kindly advised of the following important points:

- .1 the video images of virtual participants (ministers and/or heads of delegation) will be displayed on the screen in real time during the opening ceremony and the first plenary session. To this end, virtual participants (ministers and/or heads of delegation) are kindly requested to turn on the camera and keep the microphone muted throughout the proceedings.
- .2 Video link tests on 9 and 11 October Beijing time will be organized by us to ensure the smooth running of the Opening ceremony & first plenary session in so far as virtual participation is concerned.

- .3 On 14 Oct. 2021, technical support staff of virtual participants are required to log in to the video conference platform preferably 2 hours before the opening ceremony ( from 18:00 on 14 October Beijing time), to verify that the equipment is properly connected.
- .4 Remote or on-site technical support will be provided by us to virtual participants in need.
- .5 The virtual participants for the opening ceremony and the first plenary session of the Conference are kindly requested to fill out the following liaison officer registration form and send it back to <a href="mailto:cuixuelin@mail.transport-dev.org.cn">cuixuelin@mail.transport-dev.org.cn</a>. We will designate staff to directly contact the virtual participants in terms of arrangements, conference link tests and video conference support.

For further information or clarification, please contact: <a href="mailto:lifei@mail.transport-dev.org.cn">lifei@mail.transport-dev.org.cn</a>.

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