

Transport for under two degrees: The way forward?

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The transport sector is the fastest growing source of greenhouse gas emissions at present. It accounts for approximately one quarter of global greenhouse gas emissions and hence figures prominently in efforts to transform the energy economy and protect the climate. Only through a scaled-up global mitigation effort will it be possible to reach the climate targets of the Paris Agreement.

The Covid-19 pandemic has shown that there is potential for swift systemic change within the mobility sector whilst at the same time highlighting certain weaknesses of the transport system.

How can a decarbonisation of the global transport sector be reached and how can international efforts be orchestrated successfully?

This event will present fresh results from the new foresight study “Transport for under two degrees: the way forward” commissioned by the German Federal Foreign Office and implemented by the deutsche Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Agora Verkehrswende, and the World Economic Forum. About 300 international experts participated to give a rich depiction of necessary action and untapped potential to decarbonise transport and transform the transport system to become more sustainable and inclusive.

Joining the perspectives of the international, national, and local level, experts will comment the results and showcase best practices from their areas to jointly examine the necessary steps to create the mobility sector of the future.

14:00 – 14:05 **Welcome**

Ambassador Hinrich Thölken, Director for International Climate and Energy Policy and Digital Transformation

14:05 – 14:20 **Setting the scene**

The role of international cooperation for a global transformation of transport:

- *Tanja Gönner, Chair of the Management Board, Deutsche Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH*
- *Achim Steiner, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme*
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14:20 – 14:50 **Key insights for the decarbonisation of transport.**

Results from “Transport for under two degrees: the way forward”.

- *Mike Enskat, Head of Section for Energy, Water and Mobility, Deutsche Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH*
- *Christian Hochfeld, Director, Agora Verkehrswende*
- *Christoph Wolff, Global Head of Mobility, World Economic Forum*

14:50 – 15:45 **Expert Statements and Discussion**

1. *Els de Wit, Programme Manager, Ministry of Transport, Public Works, and Water Management, Netherlands*
2. *Monica Araya, Transport Lead, Climate Champions*
3. *Om Prakash (O.P.) Agarwal, CEO, World Resource Institute, India*
4. *Salma Mousallem, Programme Officer, UN-Habitat Egypt*
5. *Peter D. Norton, Associate Professor of Science, Technology, and Society, University of Virginia, USA*

Q&A

with the Experts and the Audience

The event will be moderated by Johannes Uhl, Policy Advisor, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH.