Dear Guests,

Seamless transport is a powerful strategic vision for our future. Wherever people and goods move in highly connected ways, transport has proved a dynamic engine for growth and well-being. Seamless connections between cities and regions, notably through high-speed rail, have had huge impact on national and regional economies. Seamless access to transport improves citizens’ access to schools, universities, labour markets and leisure activities. Being able to move between geographic locations and transport modes with minimal impediments is a prime desire of all transport users.

Yet the structure of our transport systems with modal transfers, different ownership, international border crossings and security threats makes overcoming the inherent friction in our transport system a permanent challenge. How can we improve seamlessness? To what extent is complete connectivity ultimately feasible? What approaches should be taken politically, institutionally, and technologically?

These are the issues that transport leaders from government, public administration, business and academia will explore at the International Transport Forum’s Annual Summit on 2-4 May 2012 in Leipzig, Germany. Through your participation in this unique global platform, you can help shape the transport policy agenda and the future of transport. We cordially invite you to the 2012 Summit of the International Transport Forum on “Seamless Transport: Making Connections” held under the Presidency of Japan. We look forward to seeing you in Germany.
Sponsorship
Be in the programme and raise your company profile! Email itf.contact@oecd.org to be a sponsor.

Exhibition
Visit our exhibition in the Congress Center as well as our outside exhibition which offers many opportunities to delegates to participate in live demonstrations, including:
- Park4U Remote Parking by Valeo: Automatic parking using a Smartphone
- Ecodriving courses offered by FIA
- Ride & Drive sessions offered by Michelin in two advanced technology electric vehicles
- Gulliver’s Auto by Dekra: See how children perceive cars and understand the risks of this perspective

To be an exhibitor, or to offer a live demonstration, contact itf.contact@oecd.org.

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Share your next big idea, concept, research or successful project with a poster.

Networking at the Summit

The International Transport Forum’s Annual Summit is the leading global platform for debate on the future of transport. Networking activities are an essential part of the Summit programme:

- Presidency Reception hosted by Japan
- International Transport Forum Gala Dinner
- Technical tours to transport-related manufacturing or logistics sites
- Cultural tours

Technical and cultural programme tours are optional activities available to delegates. Cultural programme tours will incur a modest fee in addition to registration fees.

Note:
Technical tours with Toll Collect operate throughout the Summit programme. Book your demonstration at their exhibition stand.

How to Register
for the International Transport Forum’s 2012 Summit

Registration is now open via the online registration portal. Information about registration fees, visa assistance, accommodation and transport, as well as exhibition and sponsorship opportunities, media registration and other practical details for planning your participation at the 2012 Summit is also available on the website.

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Organised by the World Bank, Turku School of Economics, International Transport Forum

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Seamless Urban Freight Transport: The need for a new policy approach (Part 2)
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Transport of Life-saving Services and Goods: Optimising airlift capabilities to meet humanitarian needs
Organised by Airbus

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Best Practice at Border Crossings: A Trade and Transport Facilitation Perspective
Jointly organised by UNECE and OSCE
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