Press Release

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International Award to Reward Funding Transport Solutions

Call for Applications for 2013 Transport Achievement Award

The 2013 Transport Achievement Award Call for Applications was launched in Paris as part of the run-up to the International Transport Forum's 2013 Summit on "Funding Transport". The Award will be officially presented at the Summit on 22-24 May 2013 in Leipzig, Germany, in the presence of Transport Ministers from around the globe.

The 2013 Transport Achievement Award will honour an initiative, project, or service/product that through innovative pricing and funding arrangements addresses one or more of today's transport focal issues:

- Quality infrastructure or service
- Congestion
- Safety
- Environmental protection
- Enhanced accessibility

The Award challenges transport operators, service providers, authorities, suppliers and manufacturers from the rail, road, maritime or aviation sectors.

"There is a long tradition of funding transport primarily from public monies. But as those funds available for transport become more scarce due to increasing pressure on government budgets, new and innovative ways to fund transport are being sought across the globe," said José Viegas, Secretary General of the International Transport Forum.

"Adequate response to transport needs requires continued investment and expenditure to ensure ongoing infrastructure and service quality, reduced environmental impact, accessibility, safety, and security," said Viegas.

Applications for the Award are open to all modes of transport: operators, service providers, authorities, suppliers and/or manufacturers from member countries of the International Transport Forum. The International Transport Forum at the OECD is offering this prestigious award with the support of several key industry organisations.

For more details or to apply for the Award, go to: 2013.internationaltransportforum.org/awards

About the International Transport Forum

The International Transport Forum is a strategic think tank for the transport sector. Each year, it brings together Ministers from the Forum's 54 member countries, along with leading decision-makers and actors from the private sector, civil society and research, to address transport issues of strategic importance. An intergovernmental organisation at the OECD, the Forum's goal is to help shape the transport policy agenda, and ensure that it contributes to economic growth, environmental protection, social inclusion and the preservation of human life and wellbeing.

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