

Press Invitation

4th International Conference on Future Urban Transport – A conference about transport in future cities

How should we view transport in the cities of the future?

During the past century, economic growth, urbanization and rising standards of living have resulted in increased travel and an ever-increasing pressure on our cities' transport systems. In meeting this need, we have constructed increasingly larger, wider and faster infrastructures. Mobility and speed have been purchased with energy and concrete.

However, a new, more sustainable viewpoint is required today – particularly from an environmental perspective.

On April 20-21, leaders of cities, in business and research are meeting to present their visions and strategies for future transport systems. Arranged by the City of Göteborg, Volvo and Volvo's research foundations (VREF), the conference targets decision-makers, business leaders and transport researchers. More than 30 countries and nearly 100 cities will be represented at the conference.

The conference is being opened by **Anneli Hulthén**, Chairman of the Göteborg City Council, **Leif Johansson**, Volvo's President and CEO, and **Arne Wittlöv**, Chairman of VREF.

Speakers include:

André Navarri, President, Bombardier Transportation

Wang Kouzhu, Deputy Mayor, City of Changsha, China

Kulveer Ranger, Director for Transport Policy, Greater London Authority

Cyrille du Peloux, CEO, Veolia Transport

Ulf Svahn, CEO, The Swedish Petroleum Institute

Ulrika Francke, CEO, Tyréns

Elisabeth Deakin, Professor, University of California, Berkeley

Paul Gustavsson, Vice President Business Development, Volvo Car Corporation

Anthony May, Professor, University of Leeds

Ingvar Nilsson, CEO, Schenker North

Prior to the conference, an Academic Workshop will be held at which the latest research findings in the field of urban transport will be presented.

The program and additional information is available at www.fut.se

Time and location: The conference is being held at Elite Park Avenue Hotel, Kungssportsavenyn 36-38, Gothenburg, Monday, April 20, 9:00 am – 5:20 pm and Tuesday, April 21, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. The conference starts with an Academic Workshop on Sunday, April 19, 9:30 am – 6:00 pm.

RSVP not later than Sunday, April 19 to: fut2009@fut.se

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