The world is evolving unevenly!

Industrialised countries-1 billion. of the population, it is **15%** of the population of the planet! Developing countries – 6.4 billion. of the population, that is **85%** of the inhabitants of the planet. And their number is increasing dramatically!



Program BETTER CITIES FOR BETTER LIFE

..is a program of shared responsibility of mayors for the quality of life of the inhabitants, not only of their cities, but also those of others.



The international award - GOLDEN DECIBEL - Décibel d'Or

In Paris, the French Ministry of Environment, Sustainable Development, Transport and Housing grants since 1991. In Prague the Czech Republic's Parliament, together with National noise Observatory Czech Republic grants since 2006.

The announcement of the results of international contest GOLDEN DECIBEL – Décibel d'Or, Prague 2012.



The complete presidential table of the gala evening GOLDEN DECIBEL – Décibel d'Or, Prague 2012. The Gala was attended by representatives from 11 European countries and Israel, headed by **Mr. Pascal Valentin**, the General Manager of the Physical Risks, Risk Prevention Directorate General of the French Ministry of Environment, Sustainable Development, Transport and Housing.



Mr. Ivo Vaněk informing the General Manager ITU-D, **Mr. Brahima Sanou**, about the intentions of the conference.

Welcoming the delegation from **Jakarta** at the airport of Vaclav Havel, headed by the Mayor of North Jakarta, **Mr. Yose Rizal**, who was a former Governor of Jakarta and today's President of **Indonesia**, **Mr. Joko Widodo**, commissioned to represent Jakarta in Prague.

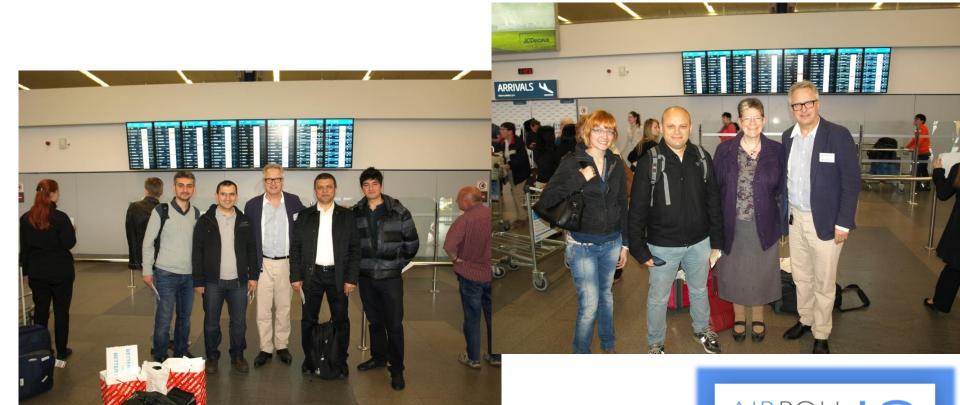






Welcoming the delegation of **Istanbul**, capital of **Turkey**, at the airport of Vaclav Havel, composed of **Mr Veysel Turkel**, head of international projects, **Mr Emre Alioğlu**, Director of Data Analysis, BELBİM, and **Mr Col Dilek Yilmaz**, Technology Specialist, BELBİM, mandated by the mayor of Istanbul Mr Kadir Topbaş represent Istanbul in Prague.

Welcoming the representatives of **Jerusalem**, **Ms. Naomi Tsur**, former Vice-Mayor of Jesusalem, the President of Green Pilgrim Jerusalem, and **Tel Aviv-Jaffa**, capital of **Israe**l, **Mr. Ladijanski Roberto Reuven**, Councilman, Commissionr for green infrastructure and government relations, at the airport of Václav Havel.



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The atmosphere was very friendly. On the photograph welcome the Deputy Chairman of the Parliament of the Czech Republic, **Mr.Vojtěch Filip**, with the Mayor of **Baghdad**, capital of **Iraq**, **Mr. Naema Abaob Alkaabi** (right). In the middle is

Irag's ambassador of Prague, Mr. Saleh Majeed Hussain Mualla.

In the front is **Ms. Egle Randyte**, Director of Energy Divison, Vilnius, and **Ms. Natalja Šliachtič**, Vice-Mayor of **Vilnius**, **Lithuani**. Behind **Ms. Ioana Suteu**, Director of quality management of environment **Buchares**t, and **Ms Marina Beatrice Stanciu**, Director of Green Cities Bucharest, **Romania**.

Secretary of **Delhi** Governor, **Ms. Ram N. Sharma**, Deputy of Delhi Governor for the environment and forests, **Mr. Sanjiv Kumar**, capital of **India**.







Mayor of **Islamabad**, **Mr. Maroof Afzal**, during the presentation of urbanization of **Pakistan's** modern capital in a friendly conversation with the former Minister of Transport of the Czech Republic and Vice-Rector of the Czech Technical University of Prague, **professor Petr Moos**, who presented the urbanization of **Prague**, a city with a thousand-year history.

Mr. Dr. Faisal Al Hamati, Council of Embasy of Yemen, owner of Company GULF OF ADEN Ltd, Muscat, Oman.







In the front **Mr. Luis Felipe Delpin Aguilar**, Deputy President of the Association of Towns and Municipalities of **Chile**, and Mayor of **Santiago** – La Granja, **Mr. Vugar Aghamaliyev**, Head of the Investment Programmes, **Baku**, **Azerbaijan**, in the back **Mr. Qiao Zheng**, Deputy Mayor **Xi´an**, Mr. Wang Zhiqiang, Expert on the Mayor Xi´an Cabinet, **China**.

Ms. Mirian Rosa Rivarola Torres, Deputy Mayor of **Asuncion, Paraquay**, is giving President of the conference Mr. Ivo Vaněk an invitation to organize the 2nd year of the conference in Asuncion in May 2016.

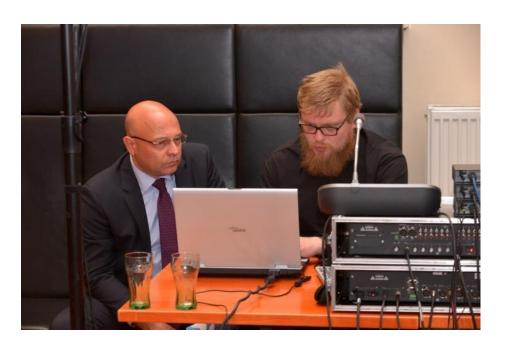






Mr. Khaled Abdel Rahman Hassan, Minister plenipotentioanry of *Egyptian government*, prepares presentation of expansion project of the Suez Canal.

Ms. Polina V. Zakharova, President of the national environmental organisation SEPI Mosecomonitoring, Moscow, Russian Federation.







Vice-Mayor of **Budapest, Mr. Miklos Csomós**, presents a program of low-emission zones in Budapest, capital of **Hungary**.

Mayor of **Baghdad**, **Mr. Naemm Abaob.Alkaabi**, did not participated in the 2nd day of the conference due to his deteriorated state of health. His presentation of environmental programs was introduced by **Mr. Hussein Adulridha Mezban**, Deputy General Manager of **Baghdad** Mayor's Cabinet.







Strategic plan of environmental programs of **Prague**, capital of **Czech Republic**, introduced **Mr. Arch. Petr Štěpánek**, Member of the managing committee of Strategic plan of Prague.

Ms. Naomi Tsur during the prezentation of program Green *Jerusalem*, a sustainable future...for an ancient city!







Ms. Massoumeh Ebtekar, Vice-President of the Islamic Republic of Iran in charge of Environment and the Head of Organization of Environment Protection of Iran had at Tehran airport a car accident. On the conference represent her Mr. Gholam Reza Derikvand, Chargé d'affaires or Islamic Republic of Iran (in dark glasses).

Mr. Lautaro Sandino Montes, Ambassador of Nicaragua in Brussels, represented the Mayor of Managua. She helps

people affected by recent earthquake.





Ms. Franki Verwey, Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa, on her right Mr. Luzlim Basha, Mayor of Tirana, capital of Albania.

Director of Regional Health Corporation, joint-stock Company, **Usti nad Labem**, introduced a border monitoring project of nanoparticles in the air, reviewed and tested on the territory of North Bohemia with the Saxon Ministry of Environment, Agriculture and Geology, **Dresden, Germany**.







Mr. Jaromír Marušinec, Chairman of Association of electrical mobile industry of the Czech Republic, and Mr. Jan Bezděkovský, Minister Councillor, Ministry of Transport of the Czech Republic.

Mr. Hussein Adulridha Mezban, Deputy General Manager of Baghdad Mayor's Cabinet, is giving to President of the conference Mr. Ivo Vaněk a gift from the Mayor of Baghdad, Mr. Naemm Abaob Alkaabi, and an inivitation to organize the 2nd year of the conference in Baghdad in 2016.







Mr. Zdeněk Žák, Mayor of National association of the electric mobility and support of modern technologies, former Minister of Transport of the Czech Republic, present his conception of Smart Cities for Czech Republic.

Mr. David Horký, Senior Manager of Central and East Europe **THOMSON REUTERS**, presented at the conference a program "Thomson Reuters Research Data & Services is a high-value assessment and decision support ressource".







Mr. Jan Klenka, Commercial Manager of NEXTBIKE, Leipzig, Germany, presented a program bikesharing.

Mr. Bojan Pavčnik and Ms. Darja Goltnik, Leaders of Slovenia company ELPA, d.o.o., Velenje, presented at the conference a program reducing noise from rail.







Mr. Vladimír Přikryl, General Manager of **German** company CompuGroup Medical Ltd, **Koblenz**, informed the delagates about the most advanced technology of hospital management.

At the conclusion of the Conference was the draw of received contributions to the **Blue-Green Book**, Roadmap of successful solutions for 2014. The main price - **Blue-Green Star** received the City of Asunción, Baghdad, Casablanca, Islamabad and Jerusalem.

The next prices will choose the international professional jury.









Mr. Ivo Vanek used the opportunity, that the unveiling of the monument in Prague - Nikola Tesla, was also attended by the **Mayor of Zagreb**, **Croatia**, **Mr. Milan Bandić**, and agreed with him a cooperation in further continuation of the program **BETTER CITIES FOR BETTER LIFE**. Nikola Tesla is a verbatim icon for the program, because he initiated today so rapidly expanding SMART CITIES.

A big supporter of the program BETTER CITIES FOR BETTER LIFE is also Director of Protocol and Foreign Relations

Office of the Mayor of New York, Ms. Leslie Slocum.









WONDERFUL LIFE Lowering transportation noise Lowering industrial air pollution Lowering industrial noise Lowering transportation air pollution Lowering air pollution from other sources Lowering municipal noise Lowering apartment noise Lowering water pollution Lowering noise from other sources Elimination of environmental disasters herapeutic instruments in medicine and pharmac Smart Cities and Smart Cities and Smart Cities and energy transportation safety Smart Cities and logistics Smart Cities and Urban mobility Information and communication technologies in environmentalism and medicine Healthy lifestyle in cities public tender for public tender for lowering public tender for lowering water lowering noise air pollution pollution other public private tender for private tender for lowering environmental lowering air noise tenders pollution private tender for other private call to eliminate lowering water environmental environmental disaster pollution tenders

What it is SLoCaT?

Multidomain partnerships of about 90 global organizations from around the world.

The aim is to achieve sustainable development of low-emission transport.







Mr. Cornie Huizenga, Secretary General of SLoCaT, during High Level Event on Transport and Climate Chance "On Track for Clean and Green Transport". New York, September 22, 2014, Farley Post Office Building.



Ms. Porie Saikia-Eapen AIA, FCIOB, Chartered CM, Director, Sustainability & Environmental Compliance Metropolitan Transport Authority HQ during her speech in the section of Transport and the Secretary General's Climate Summit.





After the end of the conference day during the closing reception it was also time for a friendly photo.

On Tuesday, September 23, 2014, came the most important day of the year for everyone, who is involved in the remedying of climate change on the planet.







8.30 am began at **Mr. Ban Ki-moon** UN Headquarters an extraordinary climate summit CATALYZING ACTION, at which UN Secretary General, invited for the first time in history, beside the heads of state and government, also municipal politics, representatives of the most advanced technological companies, investors and active representatives of civil companies.

The only participant in the nonprofit sector from the Czech Republic was present at the UN, in the most important climatic day of the year. It was the president of the program **BETTER CITIES FOR BETTER LIFE**, **Mr. Ivo Vaněk**. In the the meeting room C has been actively involved in the discussion on sustainability of transport in relation to CO2 emissions.







Next to the main conference hall was an extraordinary climate summit in all the side halls and all other workrooms in United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The whole world wanted to be there!

Noah's Ark at UN Headquarters is due to the state of the climate on the planet more than symbolic!





According to estimates, for seven days during **Climate Week of NY°C**, New York visited by over 4 million of active supporters of axles climate change.

The SLoCaT Partnership actively contributed to the Climate Summit, first and foremost through its members, especially UIC, UITP, UN-Habitat, FIA Foundation and Clean Air Asia, who either were leading, or actively involved in one of the Transport Commitments. The SLoCaT Secretariat worked with UN-DESA in organizing the Transport Action Area in the Summit and had a lead role in the planning and facilitation of a Policy Session on Transport in the morning of 23 September with stakeholders supporting one of the transport commitments.







Director Sustainability Initiatives Metropolitan Transportation Authority of New York, **Mr. Projjal K. Dutta, AIA, LEED, AP** (right) greeting the other participants, before the meeting of the group for sustainable low-emission transport.

Group for sustainable low-emission transport under the leadership of Mr. Cornie Huizenga in the meeting room C.







Mr. Ivo Vaněk, president of BETTER CITIES FOR BETTER LIFE, Mr. Michael Replogle, Managing Director of Global Policy & Funds Institute for Transport and Development Policy (ITDP), Mr. Andreas Mehlhorn, Head of Infrastructure & town, SIEMENS Germany, Mr. Knut Sauer, Vice President of Siemens Switzerland, and Mr. Cornie Huizenga, Secretary General of SloCaT.

Mr. Sean Kidney, Chief Executive Officer of the Climate Bonds Initiative, introduces participants with the situation of issuance of tradeable permits.

This is for Europe, so a bit of a throwback to medieval indulgences, Is'nt it?





United Nations

We believe, that the moral commitment to the signatories of the Paris Protocol on climate change will not allow to continue in increasing air pollution, and will lead to the axles even the others.

"When we look at the climate change negotiations, on sustainable development objectives, the Ministry of Transport will rarely participate in these negotiations. One of the things that we need to concentrate to "Paris" is how to prove to speak to the Ministry of transport and Ministers, who are making a crucial decision.

Mr. Cornie Huizenga, New York, UN HQ, September 23, 2014



Thank you for your attention.

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