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THE PEP 2021

Monday 17 May 2021 at 10:00 Tuesday 18 May 2021 at 13:30

Online,

Past event

Information / Description:

The Fifth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (5HLM) will bring together ministers and high-level officials from the governments of 56 Member States of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the WHO European region, along with representatives of international, intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations, academia, the business community and other key stakeholders in the fields of transport, health and environment.

The meeting is hosted by the Government of Austria and takes place under the auspices of WHO/Europe and UNECE through the Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP). THE PEP, a joint programme of UNECE and WHO/Europe, provides a unique intersectoral policy platform that seeks to encourage transport policy-makers and urban planners to consider the health and environmental impacts of transport and address these through shared policy approaches.

The conference will discuss the effect of the crisis on urban mobility and transport systems, and the immediate and long-term actions that governments at different levels and across sectors need to take at the nexus between housing, urban planning, and transport and mobility, in working towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, protecting health and the planet, and reducing health inequalities.

Member States are expected to adopt the Vienna Declaration, with its ambitious vision of transitioning to clean, safe, healthy and inclusive mobility and transport systems for all. It is also expected that the first Pan-European Master Plan for Cycling Promotion will be adopted. The overall target of the Master Plan is to significantly increase cycling in every country and to double cycling in the pan-European region as a whole by 2030.

The conference starts on **Monday, May 17 at 10:00 CET** with a special session of THE PEP Steering Committee. The high-level meeting starts on the same day at 15:00 CET with an official opening, followed by the first two Ministerial Sessions. Following another two Ministerial Sessions on Tuesday, starting at 10:00 CET, the conference ends on 18 May at 13:00 CET with the adoption and virtual signing ceremony of the Vienna Ministerial Declaration and the first European Master Plan for Cycling Promotion.

In parallel, a permanent virtual exhibition, as well as networking opportunities with exhibitors and other participants of the conference, will be available throughout the entire conference week.

For more information on the conference and to register, please visit the [event website](#).

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