Draft Successor of Bangkok 2020 Declaration (2020-2030) aligning with the SDGs

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The Bangkok 2020 Declaration

- The Bangkok 2020 Declaration (2010-2020) was adopted by the 5th Regional EST Forum in Asia held in Bangkok in 2010
- It includes twenty time-bound EST goals and an extensive set of monitoring indicators (to assess progress in meeting them) embedded within an 'Avoid-Shift-Improve' framework.
- The Declaration was the first regional declaration on the strengthening of environmentally sustainable land transport in developing Asia.

Recommendations 12th EST Forum regarding new 2030 Declaration (1)

- The Bangkok 2020 Declaration (2010 to 2020) is a unique regional initiative encouraging country commitment and action, as well as a coordination mechanism on sustainable transport globally
- The Forum expressed strong support for a successor to the Bangkok 2020 Declaration, given the ongoing need for Asian countries to improve accessibility and sustainability of their transport systems.

Recommendations 12th EST Forum regarding new 2030 Declaration (2)

- A successor to the Bangkok 2020 Declaration would need to be aligned with a number of global agreements, including the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Climate Agreement, with the opportunity for streamlining of reporting and capacity building efforts.
- It was recommended that the scope of such a successor Declaration be focused on a short list of goals (< 10) supported by appropriate set of measurable indicators and simplified reporting to enhance collection of information and knowledge sharing.

Preamble 2030 Declaration

- **Emphasizing**, the key role passenger and freight transport + transport systems for urban and rural areas + no one is left behind principle.
- *Recognizing,* the need for greater action on sustainability of transport systems in Asia..
- Acknowledging, global and regional agreements since 2010 that have a direct relevance for the transport sector in Asia.
- **Acknowledging**, the impact that health pandemics, such as COVID-19, have on the provision of transport services in developing Asia and the ensuing need to strengthen the resilience and preparedness of the transport sector to respond swiftly and comprehensively.
- *Agreeing,* developing Asia is still in many parts underserved with both passenger and freight transport infrastructure and services.
- **Recognizing,** the progress made on sustainable transport through the adoption and implementation of: (a) the Bangkok 2020 Declaration; (b) the Kyoto EST Declaration For Cities and, (c) the Vientiane Declaration on rural transport.
- Welcoming, the integration of these three separate Declarations into one new, integrated Declaration on Sustainable Transport in Asia.
- **Agreeing**, increased emphasis on the implementation of sustainable transport through more coordinated action by all stakeholders in transport in Asia.

Resolution

- We, the governmental participants of the 14th EST Forum in Asia express our intent to voluntarily develop and implement integrated and sustainable transport policies, programs, and projects, aligned with the 2030 Declaration
- We welcome the support of other EST stakeholders for the goals of the 2030 Declaration and we are calling on all these other organizations, including those that were not able to take part in this 14th EST Forum to align their transport activities also with the objectives of this 2030 Declaration

Common Vision

 We agree that in support of sustainable development in its three dimensions environmental, social and economic, passenger and freight transport systems in Asia should provide safe, clean and affordable access to essential services and goods; such access should be equitable for both genders and all income groups and support the call of the UN "to leave no one behind".

Six Goals

- Goal 1 Environment sustainability (low carbon, resilience, air pollution)
- Goal 2 Road safety
- Goal 3 Economic sustainability
- Goal 4 Rural access
- Goal 5 Urban access
- Goal 6 National access and connectivity

Goal 1 Environment sustainability

- By 2030, improve the environmental sustainability of transport in Asia for the following areas:
 - ➤ Goal 1a Low-Carbon: By 2030, reduce carbon dioxide emissions in the transport sector (SDG 7.2, 9.1, 13.2)
 - ➤ Goal 1b Resiliency: By 2030, promote resilient and adaptive transportation to climate change related disasters and infectious diseases such as COVID-19. (SDG 13, Paris Agreement and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030)
 - ➤ Goal 1c Air pollution: By 2030, mitigate the adverse effects of pollution and contamination caused by traffic, including PM2.5, other air pollutants and noise. (Based on SDG 3.9, 11.6)

Goal 2: Road Safety

 By 2030, realize 50 per cent reduction in fatalities and serious injuries on the roads of Asia and the Pacific compared to 2020 (based on SDG 3.6 and second UN Decade of Action on Road Safety 2021 – 2030, Stockholm Declaration on Road Safety)

Goal 3: Economic Sustainability

 By 2030 strengthen the availability and costeffectiveness of passenger and freight transport infrastructure and services in a manner that fully incorporates environmental and social impacts, as well as predictability and reliability of transport in determining the economic impacts of transport policies and investments (SDG 8.4, 12.1 and 12.c)

Goal 4 Rural Access

 By 2030 secure accessible, inclusive, safe, affordable, and resilient rural transport infrastructure and services, thus facilitating improved access to markets, basic utilities and services including health and education by the rural poor, farmers, agricultural workers, girls and women, youth, and physically disabled and vulnerable groups (SDG 2 and SDG 9.1)

Goal 5 Urban Access

• Goal 5 - Urban access: By 2030, provide access to accessible, inclusive, safe, affordable, and sustainable transport systems for all, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, urban poor, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons (SDG 11.2)

Goal 6 National Access and Connectivity

 By 2030 facilitate inclusive national development and regional connectivity by the provision of sustainable multi-modal freight and passenger transport infrastructure services. (SDG 9.1)

Implementation 2030 Declaration through Avoid, Shift, Improve + Cross cutting strategies

Avoid:

- 1. Land-Use planning
- 2. ToD
- 3. ICT

Improve:

- 8. Zero emission vehicle targets
- 9. EV Charging infrastructure
- 10. Fuel quality and efficiency standards + vehicle emission standards
- 11. Inspection and Maintenance
- 12. ITS
- 13. Improved Freight Efficiency

Shift:

- 4. Public Transport
- 5. Walking and Cycling
- 6. Travel Demand Management
- 7. Rail and Inland Water Transport

Cross Cutting:

- 14. Institutional capacity and structure
- 15. Social equity
- 16. Informal transport
- 17. Road safety campaigns
- 18. Health pandemic preparedness
- 19. Air quality and noise
- 20. Fuel subsidies
- 21. Information and awareness

Attribution ASI-C strategies to goals 2030 Declaration

Strategies	Goal 1: Environmental sustainability	Goal 2: Road Safety	Goal 3: Economic Sustainability	Goal 4: Rural Access	Goal 5: Urban Access	Goal 6: National Connectivity
Land-use, logistics and transport planning	S	М	S	М	S	S
2. Mixed-use development, Transit-Oriented Development	М	М	S	W	; S	W
Smart Information and Communications Technology	М	w	М	М	М	М

Strong	Medium	Weak	None	
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Implementation 2030 Declaration: Communities of Interest

- Communities of interest, around the goals of the 2030 Declaration consisting of EST supporting organizations
- Roles Cols:
 - a) share knowledge and create best practice examples,
 - b) developing and implementing capacity building programs,
 - c) where relevant develop and implement pilot programs and projects,
 - d) reach out to the multilateral and bilateral development community to assist them in aligning development assistance to the transport sector in Asia increasingly with the objectives of the 2030 Declaration.
- Facilitated by EST Secretariat and coordinated with Asian Transport Outlook, coordinated by ADB

Tracking the 2030 Declaration

Detailed discussion on tracking to take place in 2021 AFTER initial consensus has been reached on structure of 2030 Declaration in 13th EST Forum

- Tracking 2030 Declaration to distinguish in:
 - Status transport infrastructure and services and sustainability impacts – assessed through Asian Transport Outlook
 - Developments in institutional structures, policies and financing frameworks — assessed through country reporting and Asian Transport Outlook
- Tracking implementation of 2030 Declaration to make use of Tier 1 and Tier 2 SDG indicators
- Tracking of 2030 Declaration can serve as regional reporting on implementation of SDGs in transport sector in Asia

Scope ATO

ATO Data Categories	ATO No of Indicators		
INFRASTRUCTURE	57		
TRANSPORT ACTIVITY & SERVICES	123		
ACCESS & CONNECTIVITY	12		
ROAD SAFETY	13		
AIR POLLUTION & HEALTH	38		
CLIMATE CHANGE	85		
SOCIO-ECONOMIC	69		
MISCELLANEOUS	30		



ATO Scope – 51 Countries

Indicative approach for joint EST-ATO annual status report 2030 Declaration

Timing	Activity	Involved stakeholders	Comments
6 Months before EST Forum	Defining scope of annual status report	EST Forum Secretariat and ATO teamCommunities of interest (Col)	- Discussion on the detailed impact and process indicators to be included
5 Months before EST Forum	Analysis of available information in ATO	- ATO team	 This will result in overview of available information and where the gaps are
4 Months before EST Forum	Outreach to Col's with request to indicate what additional information can be provided	 EST Forum Secretariat and ATO team 	 This based on information analysis in previous step
3 Months before EST Forum	Outreach to EST member countries with request to: - Comment on impact indicators as collected by ATO team and Col's - Provide information on process indicators with focus on past 12 months	- EST Forum Secretariat and ATO team	 Countries will receive templates to use in reporting, which already contain available information and the sources from where information was collected
1 Month before EST Forum	Draft Status report formulated and circulated to countries for comments	EST Forum Secretariat and ATO teamCol's	 Countries will be requested to endorse report or propose changes No comments received will mean that countries agree
EST Forum	 Draft Status report presented in EST Forum Countries invited to make final comments 	- EST Forum Secretariat and ATO team	 Countries are given 7 days after the EST Forum to raise final comments
Two weeks after EST Forum	Finalization and public release of Status report	- EST Forum Secretariat and ATO team	 Final status report released together with formally edited version of Chairman Summary of the meeting

Next steps in developing 2030 Declaration

- Development of new draft following the 13th EST Forum, which will incorporate:
 - a) Discussions during the 13th EST Forum as these will be documented in the Chairman Summary
 - b) Initial comments received from EST experts and supporting organizations to the EST Forum, as documented in the comments matrix
- Consultation process 2021 (will be influenced by COVID-19 status):
 - a) Formal written comments by countries based on new post 13th
 Forum draft
 - b) Online consultation meetings
 - c) In country meetings conducted by EST Secretariat, with possible ADB support
 - d) Side events to discuss new Declaration at other 2021 transport events
- Formal draft Declaration for adoption by 14Th EST Forum