



MOSCOW HAS GOT ONE OF GLOBAL PUBLIC TRANSPORT AWARDS 2017

Moscow got one of Global Public Transport Awards of the International Union of Public Transport (UITP). Awarding the team of the Government of Moscow took place on May 17, 2017 in Montreal (Canada).

The Special Recognition award was handed to Moscow for achievements in development of urban transport and transport infrastructure over the past six years.

Handing of the Global Public Transport Awards took place within the framework of the 62nd Global Public Transport Summit, which was held from 15 to 17 May 2017 in Montreal. To be nominated for Awards, projects must have been implemented between 2015–2017. An international jury selected the 24 finalists from over 230 applications. The jury decided to award Moscow with a single award for several projects that were recognized as the best. The experts called the results of the development of public transport in the capital city among the best in the world.

«This year, the «Special Recognition» award, unlike other nominations, is awarded not to the project, but to the city for the successful implementation of Moscow's ambitious and integrated urban transport strategy. For the first time, Moscow became the winner, thus proving that in recent years it has completely changed the approach to development of urban transport. We were shown tremendous achievements – the creation of a unified parking space, completion of the Moscow Central Circle, as well as the overall strategy for development of Moscow's transport», said Alan Flausch, Secretary General of the International Union of Public Transport (UITP).

«No metropolis can show such a scale of positive changes in transport in such a short time ... In Montreal we demonstrated an integrated approach to development of public transport, as well as MCC and other achievements. These projects were first noted so highly by the International Union of Public

Transport», said Maxim Liksutov, Deputy Mayor of Moscow for Transport, Head of the Department for Transport and Development of Road Infrastructure of Moscow.

Experts noted the important transformations in the capital city, which have been implemented over the past six years. So, special attention was paid to the main project in the field of urban transport development in Russia and Europe over the last few years – the Moscow Central Circle (MCC). The daily passenger traffic here is about 350 thousand people, by now MCC has transported more than 62 million passengers.

Also over the years, the fleet of the city land carrier Mosgortrans has been renewed by 75 percent – 5660 buses, 529 trolleybuses and 191 trams have been purchased. And Moscow Metro has purchased 1600 modern coaches.

Another important achievement was the increase in speed of traffic. For six years, it has grown by 13 percent. At the same time, the number of road accidents has decreased by 46 percent. The improvement of the traffic situation, in particular, was influenced by development of the parking space.

For reference: UITP is an international non-profit association that unites the entire sector of public transport and all its modes. It is one of the oldest public organizations – it was founded in 1885. The UITP has members from more than 90 countries, including Sweden, Austria, the USA, France, Italy, Brazil and others. UITP HQ are located in Brussels. Every two years UITP conducts the Global Transport Forum and an exhibition, where transport businesses and organizations from all over the world meet together. The summit participants exchange opinions on new technologies in the public transport market, discuss important issues with world experts and identify new business opportunities.

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