



INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT FORUM IN LEIPZIG

On May 31, 2017 Minister of Transport of Russia M. Sokolov spoke at the ministerial round table «Transport and Climate». The ministers of transport of Argentina, the Republic of Korea, Sweden, Tunisia and Ukraine also took part in the round table.

Maxim Sokolov informed his colleagues that the year 2017 in Russia was declared the year of ecology. A strategic approach to the solution of the climate problem is being implemented – the Climate Doctrine of the Russian Federation, national programs, legislative and regulatory acts, and administrative procedures have been adopted. In this context, measures are being taken to reduce pollutant emissions, apply the project management approach, introduce new energy efficient vehicles, improve fuel quality, develop electric and non-motorized transport.

Both federal and municipal authorities are taking measures to update the vehicles' fleet and rolling stock. For example, the Government of Moscow is currently implementing a program of large-scale renovation of the tram fleet – about 100 three-sectional cars are put into operation annually.

The Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation and the United Nations Development Program with the assistance of the Global Environment Facility have been implementing the project «Reducing Emissions of Greenhouse Gases from Road Transport in Russian Cities» since 2012. The project aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by improving urban planning and management by creating effective monitoring and promotion systems for environmentally friendly modes of transport.

On the same day, on the margins of the forum, M. Sokolov held a number of bilateral meetings. In particular, he met with Minister of Roads and Transport of Mongolia Ganbat Danga, Minister of Transport of Argentina Guillermo Dietrich, Minister of Transport of Latvia Uldis Augulis, Minister of Transport of the People's Republic of China Li Xiaopeng and Director of the UNECE Transport Division Eva Molnar, Director of the ESCAP Transport Division Yuwei Li.

Deputy Minister of Transport of the Russian Federation Nikolay Asaul took part in the plenary session «Transport Management in the Global Digital Economy». He said that the Ministry of

Transport of the Russian Federation pays particular attention to development of new forms, informatization and operation of transport infrastructure facilities, introduction of innovative developments and technologies, and improvement of the regulatory framework governing these processes. At the same time, digitalization of the transport industry is actively developing, changing business models. The trend of digitalization of the industry includes such basic directions of development as «Internet of things», big data and mobile digital interaction with the client.

Since 2007, work has been initiated to establish an industry-specific public system for monitoring and managing the transport complex. Technical introduction of the system took place on January 1, 2017. According to the deputy minister, its full implementation will increase the effectiveness of the management of the regulatory process.

One of the priority directions is creation of intelligent transport systems in urban agglomerations and federal highways, and this is one of the target indicators of the Transport Strategy of the Russian Federation. Creation and development of individual services increase the efficiency and safety of cargo and passenger transportation and creation of technologies, enable the integration of various stand-alone services and resources into a single information space – the ITS area.

For reference: The OECD International Transport Forum is an intergovernmental organization with 56 member countries. It acts as a strategic think tank to help formulate transport policies at the global level and promote economic growth, environmental protection, social integration and preservation of human life and well-being.

In carrying out its mission, the International Transport Forum collects statistics, conducts joint research programs and organizes an annual summit that brings together ministers and leading representatives of industry, civil society and academia to participate in the targeted debate on tomorrow's transport development strategy.

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