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**THE HIGH-LEVEL 15<sup>TH</sup> REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT (EST)  
FORUM IN ASIA**

The High-Level 15<sup>th</sup> Regional Environmentally Sustainable Transport (EST) Forum in Asia was hosted by the Ministry of Transport Malaysia (MOT) and co-organized by the Ministry of the Environment Japan, the Asian Development Bank and the United Nations Centre for Regional Development of Division for Sustainable Development Goals / United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs from 24 – 26 October 2023 in Kuala Lumpur.

With the theme “Investing in Sustainable Transport: Catalyzing Economic and Social Development in the SDGs Era”, this three-day Forum focused on four objectives, namely:-

- i. the economic, social, and environmental benefits of the implementation of the Aichi 2030 Declaration;
- ii. implementation plan of the Aichi 2030 Declaration towards better alignment of Asia's transport policy and planning, programme, institutional arrangements and infrastructure development in line with the objectives of SDGs and Paris Agreement on climate change;
- iii. bounce-back strategy for transport in Asia following the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- iv. Call for international actions and support for the implementation of the Aichi 2030 Declaration.

The Honorable Loke Siew Fook, Minister of Transport extended Malaysia's commitment in adopting cleaner and more energy-efficient technologies by improving the accessibility of public transportation, investing in infrastructure to reduce congestion and pollution, and also embracing innovative solutions that prioritize the well-being of the citizens.

MOT believes through joint efforts and collaboration from participating countries and international partners, the Goals of the Aichi 2030 Declaration and along with them, the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement's transportation-related ambitions can be achieved.

**MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT**  
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#### **About MOT:**

The Ministry of Transport Malaysia has determined to be the leader of an integrated, efficient and secure transportation system by empowering technology-based transportation systems as the catalyst for national development.

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