

Over 950 Registrations from 27 Countries as TTC2026 Brings Global Community Together to Rethink the Future of Transport

LONDON , UNITED KINGDOM, August 15, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The [Transformative Transport Conference 2026 \(TTC2026\)](#) brought together an international community of researchers, policymakers, practitioners, industry professionals, and emerging scholars to explore how transport can be reimagined as a service that improves people's lives.

Convened by TRATSEDI, TTC2026 took place on 12–13 August 2026 through a two-day hybrid format combining face-to-face engagement with an online conference.

More than 950 people from 27 countries registered, demonstrating growing international interest in transport conversations that extend beyond infrastructure and efficiency to consider accessibility, sustainability, technology, dignity, user experience, and well-being.

The conference theme was “Reimagining Transport as a Service for Inclusive, Sustainable Futures.”

Across four keynote presentations, six thematic tracks, and a panel discussion, TTC2026 enabled participants from different countries, disciplines, and sectors to exchange research, experiences, and practical perspectives on contemporary transport challenges.

Four Perspectives on Transformative Transport

The interdisciplinary character of TTC2026 was reflected in its four keynote speakers, whose contributions examined transformative transport through technology, human behaviour, global



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platforms, and transport justice.

Dr Samuelson Appau, Associate Professor of Marketing at Melbourne Business School, Australia, delivered “When Global Transport Platforms Meet Local Realities,” focusing on Uber in Ghana. He examined how transport innovations designed in one context interact with infrastructure, regulation, and established mobility practices in another.

Pete Dyson, co-author of Transport For Humans and PhD researcher at the University of Bath, United Kingdom, challenged participants to put human behaviour and experience at the centre of transport decision-making in “Transport For Humans: Are We Nearly There Yet?”

Dr Gail Jennings, Transport and Mobility Consultant at the Centre for Mobility, Access and Public Space (MAPS), South Africa, discussed how South African transport policy has addressed justice, redress and rights, and how these concepts can provide a practical framework for transport planning.

Folarin Olulana, Co-Founder of T40 Technologies, Nigeria, joined Dr Emmanuel Mogaji in a panel discussion on “Transforming Transport Through Transformative Service Technologies, exploring how the digitisation of intercity mobility can improve passenger experiences and modernise transport services.

Together, these contributions reinforced a central proposition: transforming transport requires more than new infrastructure and technologies. It requires understanding people, places, inequalities, and the different contexts in which mobility takes place.

Putting People at the Centre

A key message from TTC2026 was the need to look beyond traditional measures of transport performance and consider how mobility systems affect everyday experiences and opportunities.

Discussions covered inclusive mobility, accessibility and disability, sustainable transport, technology and digitalisation, electrification, informal mobility, public transport, service innovation and the wider social consequences of transport systems.

Dr Sudhanshu Bhatt of Sanjivani University, India, Conference Chair of TTC2026, said:

“TTC2026 convened an international community of researchers, practitioners, and policymakers to rethink transport beyond infrastructure and efficiency. As Conference Chair, I was struck by our shared belief that mobility should be designed around people.

> Discussions on sustainability, technology, accessibility, and invisible disabilities highlighted that while transport can create opportunity, poor design can also reinforce exclusion.

The conference raised a critical question: not just how efficiently we move people, but who is

able to move, who is left behind, and why. Transformative transport must make mobility safer, more inclusive, and more dignified for all.”

The conference’s international reach enabled participants to compare challenges and innovations across geographical contexts, recognising that questions of access, inclusion, sustainability and service quality cross national boundaries.

Growing a Global Community

TTC2026 builds on the continuing development of the Transformative Transport Conference as an annual international platform connecting research, policy and practice.

Dr Emmanuel Mogaji of Keele University, Conference Secretary of TTC2026, said:

“Over 950 registrations from 27 countries show that there is an international community interested in thinking differently about transport. What matters to us is not simply the number of people involved, but the diversity of perspectives that they bring.

TTC provides a space where researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and communities can learn from each other and ask difficult questions about the transport systems we are creating. We want to continue building a conference where ideas can move across countries and sectors and ultimately contribute to better transport experiences.”

Olawale Olalekan of TRATSEDI said:

“TTC is about building a community around a shared ambition for better transport. The conference brings people together, but the real opportunity is what happens afterwards: new collaborations, research partnerships, knowledge exchange, and practical initiatives.

We are keen to work with universities, transport organisations, businesses, public bodies, professional organisations and communities that share our commitment to sustainability, inclusivity and responsible use of technology in transport.

TTC2027 Confirmed for 11–12 August 2027

Following the international response to TTC2026, TRATSEDI has confirmed that the Transformative Transport Conference will return on 11–12 August 2027.**

TTC2027 will retain the hybrid two-day approach:

Wednesday, 11 August 2027 — Face-to-face conference

Thursday, 12 August 2027 — International online conference

Planning will build on lessons and feedback from TTC2026 while maintaining the conference’s

commitment to international participation and accessibility.

TRATSEDI is inviting collaboration, partnership, and hosting enquiries for TTC2027. Universities, research institutions, transport organisations, public authorities, businesses, professional bodies and other organisations are invited to explore opportunities to collaborate with TTC and potentially host the face-to-face component.

About TRATSEDI

TRATSEDI is an international research and engagement platform advancing transformative transport services through three interconnected priorities: Sustainability, Inclusivity, and Technology.

TRATSEDI brings together researchers, practitioners, policymakers, industry stakeholders, and communities to generate research, facilitate knowledge exchange, and support practical initiatives aimed at creating transport systems and services that better respond to people's needs.

The Transformative Transport Conference is TRATSEDI's annual international conference, providing an accessible platform for sharing research, developing collaborations, and connecting perspectives from different countries and sectors.

Notes to Editors:

Conference: Transformative Transport Conference 2026 (TTC2026)

Dates: 12–13 August 2026

Format: Hybrid — face-to-face and online

Registrations: More than 950

Countries represented: 27

Theme: Reimagining Transport as a Service for Inclusive, Sustainable Futures

Wednesday, 11 August 2027: Face-to-face

Thursday, 12 August 2027: Online

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