



Invitation for the International Seminar on 24-25 April, 2018 on

“Switching to Sustainable Intermediate Public Transport”

The Namma Auto Project Consortium invites you for the first International Exchange Seminar on **“Switching to Sustainable Intermediate Public Transport”** from 24 -25 April, 2018 Bangalore, India. This seminar is organized under the EU Switch Asia Project – Switching to Sustainable Auto-Rickshaw System funded by European Union. The event is convened as a part of identification and exchange of best practices in IPT sector and emphasizes the value of environmentally, socially and economically sustainable urban transportation models and aid in sensitizing a wide number of stakeholders.

The informal transport sector plays an important role in meeting the mobility and livelihood needs of a large section of urban population. However, the sector is largely unregulated and hence poses challenges with respect to safety, security and pollution. Therefore, it becomes important to study and understand the applicable regulations and their compliance by the informal transport modes.

The Energy and Resources Institute’s research on **“Best Practices for sustainable urban transport initiatives”** and **“Estimation of carbon footprint for Bangalore”** compiled as a publication shall be released during this event. Both the research studied different types of informal transport systems, like, auto-rickshaws, tata magics, shared tempos, etc. plying in Indian cities, examine their role, significance, and issues related to their operations. The best practice study also highlights some case studies which have managed to innovate informal public transport in Indian cities.

To deepen our common knowledge about the informal transport sector we believe in learning, exchanging and activating synergic collaborations among relevant players who have developed sustainable urban transportation best practices. Policy makers and stakeholders from countries around South East Asia (where auto rickshaws are used) are invited to share their experiences in the area of sustainable urban transport for the International Seminar.

We look forward to your presence and participation in the seminar.

Kindly acknowledge your participation by sending an email to sugandha.pal@teri.res.in

Encl: Agenda and venue details

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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