

MOBILITY FOR ALL

A Manifesto of Local Government Leaders of Asia

Our Duty for the Welfare of All - Building Sustainable Cities

We, local government leaders of Asia, are committed to the advancement of our constituent's welfare and development. We strive to build cities and communities where people can live safely, healthily, and happily, and to achieve this, we recognize the crucial role of mobility. We believe that people are entitled to accessible, inclusive, safe, efficient, equitable, and sustainable transportation options in order to enjoy quality and prosperous lives in the city. We therefore declare mobility as an essential public good.

Urgent Action for Mobility for All

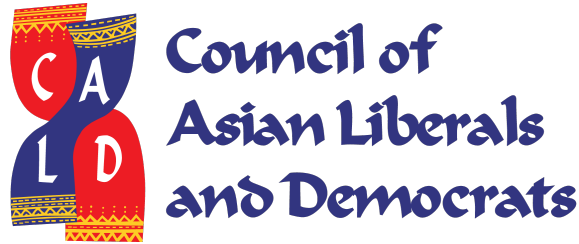
We acknowledge that our cities today continue to face challenges stemming from unequal access to mobility; a pressing concern for our constituents as our cities grow and become denser. We also acknowledge that many other social and urban issues are deeply intertwined with mobility. Addressing present mobility gaps will help improve people's access to vital basic services, employment, and other social opportunities. Consistent with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 11, we recognize the urgency to radically reform transportation toward building sustainable cities and communities.

Mainstreaming Mobility for All – Our Call to Action

To that end, we believe in building urban and rural mobility systems that put people at the heart of the solution. We commit to making this a reality by taking the following actions:

Mobility as a Right – we declare mobility as a right of each and every individual. We assert that mobility is integral to other policy areas such as climate change, housing, and inclusive economic development.

Environmental Sustainability and Decarbonization - we commit to developing urban and rural mobility systems that move towards lesser use of fossil fuels and overall lower carbon footprints.



Public Transportation as a Backbone of Mobility Services - we shall prioritize public transportation and will allocate the necessary space, resources, and legal and fiscal support to provide quality services for our constituents.

Building Safe and Walkable Residential Neighborhoods - we shall develop vibrant neighborhoods that promote walking, cycling, and other non-motorized modes. As such, we will invest in the requisite infrastructure and amenities towards this end. We will take steps to reduce dependency on private automobiles and motorcycles to improve air quality and reduce traffic fatalities.

Judicious Use of Digital Technology - we shall make the most out of digital technology to improve our mobility systems and make transaction platforms more inclusive while making sure that the user's right to privacy is never compromised.

Closing Statement

As leaders, we hold ourselves accountable to ensure the implementation of this 5-point action plan into concrete and contextualized policies, programs, and investments within our respective jurisdictions. We are committed to articulating measurable outcomes as a way to make clear our goals and track our progress in delivering our promise of a sustainable and more livable city for our constituents. We commit to ensuring that people are properly consulted and engaged in the process of improving their cities and communities.

We believe progressive cities are ones where people from all walks of life are afforded access to high-quality public transportation and not cars. Only then can we truly achieve Mobility for All.