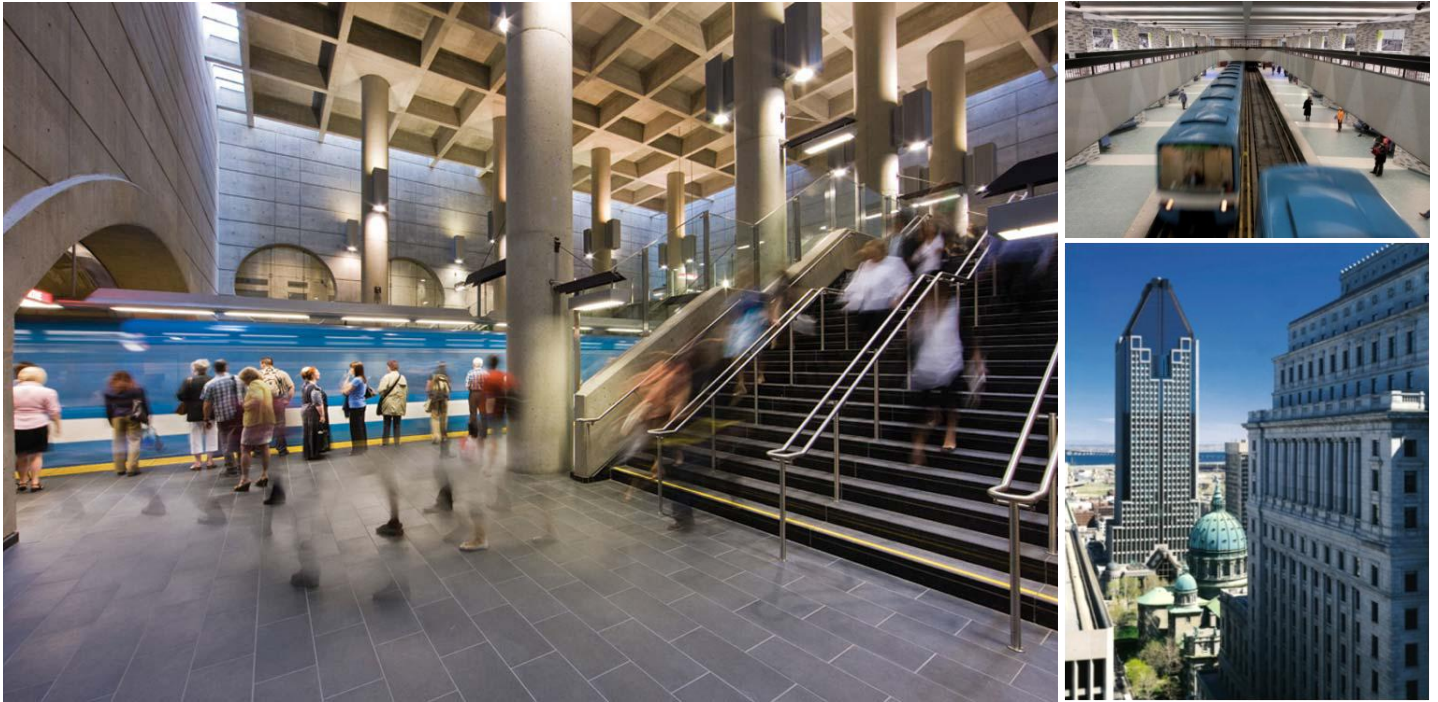


89TH METROPOLITAN RAILWAYS ASSEMBLY MONTREAL, 17-19 OCTOBER 2012



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REGISTRATION

The Assembly is exclusively reserved for metro operator members of UITP and invited guests only. Please contact Corentin Wauters (contact details below) if you would like to be considered.

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AGENDA PREVIEW

Metros & urban mobility in North America (sessions 1 & 2)

Complementing our local host presentation on Montreal, its mobility and its metro network, two dedicated sessions will draw the general urban mobility landscape in North America, followed by a close-up on metro systems in Canada and the US.

Metro Division work programme (session 3)

Subcommittee Chairmen will report on the work of the 5 technical Subcommittees and the Observatory, including detailed presentations on the following recent studies:

- Management of in-station dwell time (Operations SC)
- Asset Life Assurance covering for Infrastructure and Train (EISS SC)
- Design of metro stations & systems to meet legal requirements (Fixed Installations SC)
- 2012 Atlas of automated metro lines (Observatory of Automated Metros)

World metro developments (session 4)

A tour of the most recent metro developments and hot topics in Europe, MENA, Latin America and Asia Pacific.

Should you be interested in presenting the latest developments in your network, please contact miryam.hernandez@uitp.org before 31 July – speaking slots are limited!

The Capacity Challenge (session 5)

This session will present a range of options available to metro operators facing capacity problems – from operational strategies to cope with increased demand, to maximizing capacity per train, including a reflection on the full potential of automation technologies, and, for more extreme cases the significant expansion of metro networks.

Financing - finding the right balance (session 6)

The long-term economic balance of metro systems depends increasingly on the ability to diversify revenue streams. Is it possible to find a right formula, combining government funding, fare revenue and private investment? This session will present reflections on the use of earmarked funding, fare adjustment and the necessary conditions to run successful PPP projects in complex legal environments.

PROGRAMME FOR MEMBERS

Wednesday 17 October 2012 – 89th Metropolitan Railways Assembly

19:30 – 21:00 Networking reception at Hotel Omni Mont-Royal (official hotel)

Thursday 18 October 2012 – 89th Metropolitan Railways Assembly

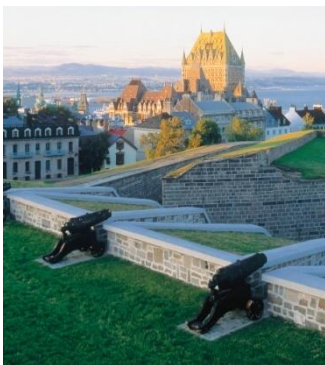
09:00 – 10:30 Metro Assembly – Working Session 1
 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break
 11:00 – 12:30 Metro Assembly – Working Session 2
 12:30 – 14:00 Lunch (buffet)
 14:00 – 15:30 Metro Assembly – Working Session 3
 15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break
 16:00 – 17:30 Metro Assembly – Working Session 4
 19:30 – 22:00 Official dinner – “A celebration of Montreal's creative spirit” (location tbc)

Friday 19 October 2012 – 89th Metropolitan Railways Assembly

09:00 – 10:30 Metro Assembly – Working Session 5
 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break
 11:00 – 12:30 Metro Assembly – Working Session 6
 12:30 – 14:00 Lunch (buffet)
 14:00 – 17:00 Technical visit (New metro control centre, Fire prevention training centre, Youville workshops)
 17.00 Back to the official hotel.

End of the official programme

OPTIONAL VISIT* – Saturday 20 October 2012



08:00 – 19:00 Visit to Québec City

Québec City is a historical city and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Before entering the historic centre, you will have the chance to visit the Parc de la Chute-Montmorency and its 85-meter waterfall. You will then experience the charms of Vieux Québec: local produce, the Château Frontenac, the Place Royale and the special ambiance of these places. The visit includes transport by luxury coach, lunch and the guided tour by foot and coach. For more information on Québec City and region, visit <http://www.quebecregion.com/en>

* Cost 203 CAD including taxes (approx. 157€) per person, including lunch and transportation (confirmation of the optional visit is subject to reaching a minimum of 20 participants, otherwise this activity may be cancelled. Participants who select this activity will be informed mid-September and receive an invoice if the activity is confirmed.)

PROGRAMME FOR ACCOMPANYING PERSONS

Wednesday 17 October 2012

19:30 – 21:00 Networking reception at Hotel Omni Mont-Royal (official hotel)

Thursday 18 October 2012

12:00 – 15:30 Walking guided tour in the historical centre of Vieux-Montréal, followed by tea-time at Birks Café

19:30 – 22:00 Official dinner – “A celebration of Montreal's creative spirit” (location tbc)

Friday 19 October 2012

10:00 – 14:00 Visit of underground Montreal and tour of artworks of the Montreal metro, follow by snack at Café of the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts

15:00 – 17:00 Choice of visit of the Museum or free afternoon <http://www.mbam.qc.ca/en/>

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Registration to the Assembly

The Assembly is exclusively reserved for metro operator members of UITP and invited guests only. Please contact Corentin Wauters (contact details in first page above) if you would like to be considered.

Registration to the Assembly is now open and closes on 10 September 2012. Failure to meet this deadline may result in a different rate and conditions at the official hotel.

Your stay in Montreal

The Assembly will be held in the **Hôtel Omni Mont-Royal**. This Montreal hotel is located in the heart of downtown's Golden Square Mile, at the foot of Mount Royal.

Hôtel Omni Mont-Royal

Address: 1050 Sherbrooke Street West
 Montreal, Quebec H3A 2R6
 Phone: +1 514 284-1110, Fax: +1 514 845-3025

Single room: 243,95 CAD (approx. 186 €)
 Double room: 260,61 CAD (approx. 198 €)
 (breakfast and taxes included)

*Anyone wishing to extend their stay in Montreal can enjoy the same hotel rates for October 13 – 15 and October 21 – 23, subject to room availability.



Delegates are responsible for making their own hotel reservations. The hotel has set up a special web page for the Metro Assembly. Please book your room directly through the following site: <http://www.omnihotels.com/FindAHotel/MontRoyal/MeetingFacilities/STM2012>.

If you can't make your registration on the web page, download the hotel registration form you will find in the Assembly registration page and send it by fax (+1 514 845-3025). **The hotel registration deadline is 10 September 2012.**

Visa Formalities

Please note that it is the responsibility of each delegate to check and fulfill any visa requirements to enter Canada. Please see the information provided the Canadian government:

<http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/index.asp>

If you need a visa invitation letter, please send the request you will find in the Assembly registration page to Ms Alexandra Ouimet at STM's "Direction principale des affaires publiques", by e-mail: alexandra.ouimet@stm.info. **The deadline to send the visa letter request is 7 September 2012.** After this date, our local host cannot guarantee that you will receive in time the documentation to apply for a visa.

Delegates should send this information as soon as they register to the Assembly and within the indicated deadline. UITP cannot stress enough the importance of registering early to the Assembly and starting visa application procedures as soon as possible.

ABOUT MONTREAL



Montreal is the largest city in the Québec Province and is also its economic and cultural capital. Surrounded by the Saint-Laurent River, the city is well-known for its mix of tastes, customs and languages. Montreal is considered as the world's second-largest French-speaking city after Paris and is North-America's only French-language metropolis, with a population of 1,650,000 (4 million counting the metropolitan area). One of the city's original features is the underground network located under the centre: 33 kilometers of passageways, squares and intersections that make it one of the largest underground cities in the world. Metro, suburban rail and bus lines all converge there, 500,000 people use it every day and an increasing number of shops can be found. Montreal is most colourful in the autumn and temperatures are mild; usually around 8-10°C in October. For more information on Montreal, visit

<http://www.tourisme-montreal.org>.

MEET THE HOST

Société de transport de Montréal (STM)

The STM is a public-owned and managed transport company which operates an integrated bus and metro network. The metro network comprises 68 metro stations and 4 lines covering a total distance of 77 million kilometers per year. The STM employs more than 9,000 people. In the last five years, major investments made by Québec's government and the city of Montreal have lead to a considerable service level increase, major infrastructure renovations and a new state-of-the-art control centre. New metro cars will also be in service in 2014. At year-end 2011, the STM broke a historic ridership record by completing some 405 million passenger rides and it achieved unparalleled customer satisfaction results. In 2010, the STM was recognized by APTA as the best public transportation system in North America. Imperial College London has also established the Montreal metro as the most productive among 27 other metro systems worldwide for the last three consecutive years.

