



TUMI Conference 2026

People, Cities and Corridors: Integrating Transport for Sustainable and Resilient Regions

21 September 2026, GlZ Repräsentanz, Berlin

Time	Title	Speaker
09:00 – 10:00	Registration	
10:00 – 10:10	Welcome	• Thorsten Schäfer-Gümbel, Chair of the Management Board, GlZ GmbH
10:10 – 10:25	Opening	• Birgit Pickel, Director General Sustainable Development and Climate, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) • Christian Krämer, Member of Management Committee at KfW Development Bank
10:25 – 11:00	10 years of TUMI – How can we create impact? The value of partnership	• Maureen Ava Mata, Disability Rights Advocate, Move as One Coalition • Felipe Ramírez Buitrago, Director, Urban Mobility, WRI Ross Center for Sustainable Cities • Berenice Cubides, Head of Strategic Mobility, Cuenca • Vishwajeet Chaudhary, Chief Executive Officer, Gurugram Metropolitan City Bus Limited
11:00 – 11:15	Celebrating 10 Years of TUMI & Introducing the New Chapter	
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee Break	

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11:30 – 12:30	Connecting People, Cities and Markets through Economic Corridors	• Sergio Oliete Josa, Head of Unit, DG INTPA, European Union • Gustavo Gardini, Head of Global Partnerships & Sustainable Investments, DB E.C.O. Group • Elizabeth Jones, Senior Transport Advisor, UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) • Madina Anet, Business Development Director, Semurg Invest • Flory Okandju, Executive Secretary, Central Corridor Transit Transport Facilitation Agency (CCTFA)
12:30 – 13:45	Lunch Break	
13:45 – 14:45	Technical Session 1: One Corridor, Many Voices: Defining the Role of Cities in Corridor Governance	• Dr Philipp Rode, Executive Director, LSE Cities • Eng. Zaituni Nakonde, Director of Infrastructure Development, Central Corridor Transit Transport Facilitation Agency (CCTFA) • David Niyonsenga, Team Leader, Transport and Mobility Division at African Union • Lisa Eifert, Project Manager, GIZ
13:45 – 14:45	Technical Session 2: Nature-Positive Infrastructure: Rethinking Urban Mobility and Transport Corridors	• Evan Freund, Senior Director, Sustainable Infrastructure, Forests, WWF (GRID) • Lucie Anderton, Director of Sustainability and North America Coordinator at UIC – International union of railways • Pablo Quiñonez, Deputy Mayor of Loja • Theodore Gerard Wong, Research and Project Associate, WRI • Andrea Goertler, Advisor, GIZ

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13:45 – 14:45	Technical Session 3: Data, Digitalization and AI for the Next Decade of Sustainable Transport	• Mark Major, Senior Strategy Director, Kuehne Climate Center • Dr. Charles Adams, Associate Professor, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), Kumasi • Felipe A Ramirez Buitrago, Director, Urban Mobility, WRI Ross Center for Sustainable Cities • Mercy Edna Manyasa, Urban Mobility & Data Science Specialist • Kunal Raj Barua, Associate Director, Aapti Institute
14:45 – 15:15	Coffee Break	
15:15 – 16:15	Panel Session 3: People First: Dialogues Across Time	• Carolina Martinez, Founder, La Rolita • Dana Elhassan, Principal Regional Gender Specialist, Gender and Women Empowerment Division, African Development Bank • Khadija Jallouli, CEO, Hawkar
16:15 – 16:30	Launch of magazine Celebrating Remarkable Feminist Voices in Business: Moving Transport and Infrastructure Forward	• Mahak Agrawal, Head of India of Riding Sunbeams, India • Carolina Martinez, Director General of La Rolita, Colombia • Khadija Jallouli, CEO, Hawkar • María Paulina Romo, President, Grupo Entregas • Tamara Nerima, Sustainability Director, Scania East Africa • Sartaj Lamba, Founder and CEO, Buddy Mobility Care
16:30 onwards	Closing & Reception	