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Metro to be Guest of Honor at European Mobility Exhibition in Paris in June 2018

The Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) has accepted an invitation to be the “Guest of Honor” at the next European Mobility Exhibition in Paris in June 2018.

“As we continue our transportation revolution in L.A. County – embarking on construction of 40 major mobility projects in the next 40 years – we have so much to share with the transportation community around the world,” said Metro Board Chair John Fasana. “It’s an exciting time for public transit, as the world recognizes its importance to quality of life. We look forward to exchanging ideas with our compatriots in Europe and the U.S., as together we plan for a positive future.”

The event is organized by GIE Objectif Transport Public, which has formed a partnership with the American Public Transportation Assn. to forge closer ties between the transit industry in France, the rest of Europe and the United States. The exhibition is designed to encourage the sharing of mobility best practices, develop innovation and tackle the transition from private vehicles to sustainable mobility, especially in major cities.

“France and the U.S. have many common challenges and opportunities for the development of our public transportation systems,” said APTA Chair Doran Barnes. “The cooperation with GIE allows us to exchange best practices and innovative solutions and continue to learn from each other.”

These topics will feature prominently at the APTA Expo Oct. 9-11, 2017, in Atlanta and the European Mobility Exhibition June 12-14, 2018 in Paris.

“International collaboration is of paramount importance to the delivery of innovative and comprehensive mobility services to all of our communities,” said Los Angeles Metro CEO Phillip Washington. “We are thrilled to share best practices with our colleagues so that we can provide universally excellent user experiences to the world’s population.”

GIE and Metro have established a long-term partnership between public transportation agencies in Paris and Los Angeles to promote collaboration and learning between transit agencies around the globe in pursuit of sustainable mobility systems. GIE will feature Metro’s work and accomplishments at the European Mobility Exhibition.

About Metro

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is unique among the nation’s transportation agencies. Created in 1993, Metro is a multimodal transportation agency

that transports about 1.3 million passengers daily on a fleet of 2,200 clean air buses and six rail lines. The agency also oversees bus, rail, highway and other mobility-related building projects and leads transportation planning and programming for Los Angeles County.

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About APTA

The American Public Transportation Association (APTA) is a nonprofit international association of more than 1,500 public and private sector organizations, engaged in the areas of bus, paratransit, light rail, commuter rail, subways, waterborne services, and intercity and high-speed passenger rail. This includes: transit systems; planning, design, construction, and finance firms; product and service providers; academic institutions; transit associations and state departments of transportation. APTA is the only association in North America that represents all modes of public transportation. APTA members serve the public interest by providing safe, efficient and economical transit services and products.

About GIE Objectif Transport Public

GIE Objectif Transport Public brings together the French Transportation Authorities Group (GART) and the Public and Rail Transport Association (UTP), representing elected officials and mobility operators. Its mission is to promote public passenger transport and raise awareness of sustainable mobility issues among professionals and the general public. More info can be found at www.objectiftransportpublic.com

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