

The general manager of FGC chairs the 93rd Assembly of the Metro Division of the UITP

- Part of the programme for the event focuses on the effects of the Rio Olympics on public transport in Rio de Janeiro
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The general manager of Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya (FGC), Pere Calvet, chaired the 93rd Assembly of the Metro Division of the International Association of Public Transport (UITP), held in Rio de Janeiro from 5th to 7th October.



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The programme for this year's edition, in which fourteen countries took part, focused on the recent Rio Olympics. Those present were able to find out at first-hand about the details of the Olympic experience of MetrôRio and the start-up of a new metro line for the occasion, to discuss the latest news and trends on Latin

American metro systems and to take part in a programme of visits to see the development the Olympics brought to public transport in Sao Paulo and Rio.

The assembly also offered an overview of the work done in recent years by UITP members, providing key data on risk management on metros and the role of metro systems in urban development and presenting the latest developments in metro transport at global level.

The UITP Metro Division

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The assembly is the ruling body of the UITP Metro Division, the most important of the five divisions into which the association is divided. Apart from the Metro Division, there are divisions for bus, tram, regional rail and river transport. The Metro Division was set up in 1957 and currently brings together a majority of the world's metro operators, representing a forum for pooling professional experience between experts in the sector, as well as a tool for producing reports and benchmarking studies.

A platform for cooperation across more than 90 countries

The International Association of Public Transport (UITP) was set up in 1885 and today is one of the most influential international bodies in mobility-related matters. It is organised as an international platform for cooperation between its members, as well as running campaigns to promote public transport, carry out studies and analyses, organise technology and training seminars and publish analytical documents.

The UITP currently brings together 1,400 companies in 96 countries, including transport operators, authorities, technical and research institutions and industrial and service concerns. Its headquarters are in Brussels and it has offices in Abidjan, Bangalore, Canberra, Dubai, Hong Kong, Istanbul, Johannesburg, Moscow, Rome, Sao Paulo and Tehran.

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