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THE MEF ROUNDTABLE SERIES ON SUSTAINABILITY In Partnership With THALES

**Wednesday, 23rd November 2011
Paris**

**THEME:
'FUTURE CITIES: URBAN MOBILITY'**

VENUE:
THALES Headquarters
45, Rue Villiers 92200
Neuilly-sur-Seine, Paris
FRANCE

TIME:
2.00pm – 6.00pm

BACKGROUND

More than half the world's population now lives in urban areas; that proportion is forecast to reach 70% by 2050, so building more sustainable cities is critical to the future of every country in the world. Many cities are dysfunctional already - traffic gridlock, uncoordinated services, outdated infrastructure, and planning silos are just some of the challenges they face. Finding solutions in the face of a more populous future is an urgent requirement.

A smart, sustainable economy promotes efficient use of resources to create and maintain growth. In a national context, it is successful and vibrant cities that form the primary pillar of a strong, sustainable economy. They provide a focal point for businesses and talent, and fuel continuing economic and social progress.

Following the successful hosting of a roundtable focusing on renewable energy in Vienna in May 2011, the Malaysia-Europe Forum will now be embarking on a roundtable series, in 3 different European cities (Madrid, Paris and London), in November 2011.

Malaysia-Europe Forum (MEF) continues to organise and host The MEF Roundtable Series on Sustainability as a high-level platform for the exchange of ideas, debate and discussion between Malaysian and European stakeholders. Representatives from private, public and academic institutions will be invited to participate in these roundtables to propose suggestions, conceive collaborations and also seek solutions on the way forward for Malaysia.

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PROGRAMME

- 1:30 pm: Registration
- 2.00pm: **Welcoming Remarks & Introductions**
Ms Natasha Zulkifli
Executive Director, Malaysia-Europe Forum (MEF)
- 2.05pm: **Opening Remarks by Moderator**
Mr Jonathan Steel
Member of the Board of Trustees, Malaysia-Europe Forum (MEF)
- 2.10pm: **Presentation by Panellists**
- 1. Mr Jean-Marc Janailac**
Executive Vice President Development, RATP Group
Chief Executive Officer, RATP Development
"What are the challenges for the public transport operator?"
 - 2. Mr Jean-François Janin**
Manager, Intelligent Transport Systems Task Force,
French Ministry of Transport
"Future cities: Urban mobility, How ITS can help"
 - 3. Mr Gabriel Colceag**
Vice President, Rail Signalling for Urban Lines THALES
"Building Smart Cities"
 - 4. Mr Mohamad Nur Ismal Kamal**
CEO, Land Public Transport Commission (SPAD), Malaysia
"Malaysia: The way forward for urban transport"
- 3.10pm: Coffee Break
- 3.30pm: Roundtable continues
- 5.30pm: Wrap-up and conclusions by moderator

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