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International Air Transport Association's (IATA) director general and chief executive, Giovanni Bisignani, at the 2009 G8 Summit in L'Aquila, Italy

"Commercial aviation is the first global industry to commit to a carbon-neutral growth target by 2020. We have a solid track record of meeting our targets."

Transport Secretary Lord Adonis, justifying the UK Government's plan to replace short-haul domestic flights with a high-speed rail network in an interview with the Guardian on 5 August 2009

"For reasons of carbon reduction and wider environmental benefits, it is manifestly in the public interest that we systematically replace short-haul aviation with high-speed rail."

Achim Steiner, Executive Director of UNEP, referring to the Global Trends in Sustainable Energy report released in June 2009

"There have been many milestones reached in recent years, but this report suggests renewable energy has now reached a tipping point where it is as important – if not more important – in the global energy mix than fossil fuels."

Aimee Gauthier of Access Africa commenting on the importance of broadening the transport options available to South African women

"Poverty complicates mobility and lack of transport options complicates poverty... Transport costs put a lot of financial pressure on households where financial pressures already exist."

Stef Van Dongen, Director of Enviv, the Rotterdam-based environmental think tank behind the low-emissions rickshaw/tuktuk designed to replace highly-polluting auto rickshaws found in Thailand, India and other countries in Asia

"I used auto-rickshaws a lot and was astonished by the amount of smoke. By helping to create a hybrid rickshaw, we saw a huge opportunity to improve the environment and also to improve the life of the rickshaw drivers."

Energy analyst, Chris Nelder speaking at the 2009 Offshore Technology Conference in Houston, Texas on 4 May 2009

"Renewables are clearly the long-term answer, as is an all-electric infrastructure that runs on its clean power. However, it will likely take over 30 years for renewables to ramp up from a less than 2% share of primary energy today to 20% or more."

numbers

90

Percentage of American adults willing to choose a hybrid if they were to buy a new vehicle. — **EV World Insider**

6

Billion dollars, the amount the Chinese electric bicycle industry is worth — **The Australian**

1/2

Amount by which the global auto industry and governments pledged to slash emissions from cars by 2050 — **50by50 Campaign**

6

Number of tonnes of transport-related CO₂ emitted by North Americans each year, contrasting with **0.1** tonnes emitted by Tanzanians each year — **CIA - World Factbook 2007**

20,000

Number of passengers per hour that buses travelling at 27km/h can move on highways with exclusive bus lanes — **Global Urban Development Volume 2**

15

Percentage of global greenhouse gas emissions attributable to transportation — **PNAS - Climate forcing from the transport sectors**

87

Percentage increase of EU's commercial flights greenhouse gas emissions between 1990 and 2007 — **British Airline Pilots' Association**

30

Percentage of aviation fuels that biomass-to-liquid fuels could account for by 2050 — **International Energy Agency (IEA)**