

**Meeting Minutes**

**TRB’s Committee on Accessible Transportation and Mobility**

**Subcommittee on Policy and Practice ABE60**

**Judy Shanley, Subcommitee Co-Chair, Easterseals, National Center for Mobility Management**

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| **Name** | **Organization** | **Member-Friend** |
| Aline Alavet | IFSTTAR | Member |
| Melissa Anderson | Cole | Friend |
| Billie Louise (Beezy) Bentzen | Accessible Design for the Blind | Member |
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| Katherine Knapp | City of Evanston, IL | Friend |
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| Daniel Mo Yiu Wing | Hong Kong Management College | Friend |
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| Tom Rickert | Access Exchange International | Member |
| Lilian Salazar | Tech de Monterrey University | Member |
| Richard Schultze | RLS and Associates, Ohio | Member |
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| Anabela Simoes | Lusofona University, Portugal | Friend |
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| Helena Titheridge | University College London | Friend |
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| Mohammed Yousuf | U.S. Department of Transportation, DC | Member, Co-Chair, ABE60 Technology Committee |

**Mary Crass, Subcommittee Co-Chair, International Transport Forum,**

**Meeting Agenda and Notes**

**Welcome:** 8:00 -- 8:10 – Mary Crass and Judy Shanley

**Introductions** by subcommittee members: name, organization: 8:10 - - 8:20

**Discussion of New Subcommittee Purpose and Goals** – Mary and Judy, 8:20 - - 9:00

**Policy and Practice Subcommittee Mission**

To sustain a vibrant international forum to share research, experience, and practice related to accessible mobility options for people with disabilities and older adults in order to facilitate the replicability of evidence-based practices across member countries.

**Guiding Principles**

* Members will explore opportunities, challenges, and solutions related to policy to practice accessibility topics through trusted and respectful forums.
* Member forums will seek opportunities to inform and learn from international events such as TRANSED.
* Forum agendas, communications, and materials will reflect inclusive perspectives from broad and diverse subcommittee stakeholders.
* Content of the subcommittee will align with the mission and purposes of ABE60 and its research and technology committees, as well as with, the TRB organizational principles and agenda.

Meeting Discussion

* Committee discussed the potential of developing a curriculum for university faculty on accessibility. It was discussed that first an environmental scan must be done to ensure that work is not duplicative. Several committee attendees offered resources, and suggested opportunities to test the materials through a pilot study.
  + Ensure that the materials address urban versus rural topics.
  + Topic of high tech versus low tech solutions to accessibility was raised (incorporate into curriculum/materials).
  + Discussed the incorporation of content related to universal design.
  + Attendees discussed a need for a focus on emergency preparedness and resilience.
* Any work that the subcommittee conducts should be aligned with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) recommended by the [United Nations.](http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/) There is a knowledge gap in how goals can be enforced.
* Importance of connecting our work with other ABE60 Subcommittees, including research and technology.
* Discussion about organization an invited session next year at TRB.

**Discussion of Cross-Country Disability Legislation and Policy** – All; 9:00 - - 9:30

Consider legislation/policy such as that put forth by the [European Disability Forum](http://cms.horus.be/files/99909/MediaArchive/2nd%20Meeting%20EP%20Groups%20Leaders-EDF%20-%201%20December%202016%20-%20Final%20Declaration.pdf) or the [European Accessibility Act](http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=1202).

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* Ensure our work is integrated with the UN SDGs.

**Wrap-up and Next Steps** - - Mary and Judy; 9:00- 9:45

* Meeting attendees who are interested in becoming official friends of the subcommittee must update their information through TRB.
* The Policy and Practice Subcommittee will establish a quarterly meeting schedule for the full subcommittee.
* Send Mary and Judy ideas for invited session for the 2018 TRB meeting.
* If there are any materials, pictures, etc. that the subcommittee wants to share via My TRB, please send.
* Send ideas regarding Webinar topics (Do we want to do something around UN SDG)?