

## Kathmandu Declaration 2013 for establishing Kathmandu as a Cycle City by 2020

**Realizing** the importance of cycling in promoting sustainability mobility, environmental improvement, and a people-friendly city,

**Appreciating** the efforts of the Government of Nepal and other organizations in promoting sustainable mobility,

We the participants of the “Workshop on **Cycling in Nepal: Challenges and Opportunities**” commit ourselves to and urge all stakeholders on Kathmandu’s urban development to:

1. Develop and implement a strategy for promoting cycling in Kathmandu and making Kathmandu a cycle-friendly city by 2020.
2. Immediately include the provision of cycle lanes and related infrastructure in the roads that are being expanded and interlink cycle lanes to create a network of cycle tracks in a planned manner
3. Engage local people and stakeholders in promoting people-centric mobility such as cycling in a participatory manner
4. Implement vehicle-free zone in the core area of Kathmandu before the end of 2013
5. Introduce car-free Saturdays in Kathmandu
6. Do not use public funds for vehicle parking and establish parking facilities for bicycles at various locations particularly at business centres and office areas
7. Launch campaigns to encourage more youth involvement in cycling and develop a cycling culture so that all people can ride with pride
8. Promote economic instruments and mobilize financial resources from pollution tax and other sources for promoting cycling.
9. Effectively implement Decade for Action on Road Safety 2011-2020 so as to improve road safety for cyclists and reduce overall road fatalities by 40% by 2020.
10. Encourage key government officials and opinion makers to ride cycles on a regular basis

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