











STREETS FOR LIFE: FOR PEOPLE AND PLANET.

On our streets, worldwide, where we walk, play and live, we call for action on speed. Low speed, liveable streets are essential and urgent.

Urgent because low speeds save lives.

Urgent for public health, by making walking and cycling safer and more accessible, enabling and encouraging healthy lifestyles. Liveable streets are more crucial than ever as we respond to COVID-19.

Urgent for the Global Goals and for our climate, as a key that unlocks a virtuous cycle of zero carbon active travel, shifting from car dependence, enabling thriving public transportation, cleaner air and lower CO₂ emissions.

Urgent for social and racial equity, as it is lower income and minority communities who are most exposed to high-speed traffic, and the road danger, environmental hazard and social exclusion it causes. Urgent for the rights of people with disabilities; for the elderly; for all who are vulnerable.

Urgent for our children and youth, and vital for their wellbeing. They are most at risk on the streets where they live, play and travel to school. Every day 3000 children and young people are killed or seriously injured on the world's roads. A child hit by a car at 30 km/h (20 mph) can survive. Hit at 80 km/h (50 mph), most will die. Speed kills.

The 2020 Stockholm Declaration, adopted by governments worldwide, calls for a focus on liveable streets and, in line with available evidence, a maximum road travel speed of 30 km/h where vulnerable road users and vehicles mix. Commitment to this approach must be at the forefront of the new Decade of Action for Road Safety to achieve the Global Goals.

Now is the time to urgently deliver on this call to action by reducing, designing and enforcing traffic speeds that are safe for everyone, everywhere, prioritising low speed streets in all residential areas and near schools.

Streets for health. Streets for climate. Streets for people. We must act together to create #StreetsForLife.





