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Andrew Bata is with UITP. As a passionate champion of sustainable urban mobility, UITP is internationally recognized for its work to advance the development of this critical policy agenda. UITP has a long history to its name, and is the only worldwide network to bring together all public transport stakeholders and all sustainable transport modes. UITP's Vision is to work to enhance quality of life and economic well-being by supporting and promoting sustainable transport in urban areas worldwide.

Prior to his current position, Andy retired from MTA New York City Transit, where he served as Chief Officer, Strategic Improvements and Best Practice in the Office of the President, New York City Transit. He was responsible for the planning and conceptual design of advanced systems that promote state-of-the art passenger service with emphasis on real-time information and intermodal coordination for enhanced customer service. He was on a Vice President level, reporting directly to the President of the agency. MTA New York City Transit is the world's largest urban transportation system.

He developed strategic plans to ensure that the technologies that are to be deployed are well coordinated in terms of user and systems requirements as well as integrated with existing and future software and hardware architecture. He formulated strategic initiatives designed to improve the efficiency, cost-effectiveness and operations of the subway and bus network. He represented the agency in all international venues.

He oversaw a number of Intelligent Transportation Systems and Social Media projects that introduced a number of innovations for real time travel information and launched venues that promote constructive dialogue with the public. Key recent examples of his innovations are real time electronic train arrival signs and the station "help points".

Previously for New York City Transit he was the Chief of Strategic Technology Planning for the Chief Engineer and before that Senior Director of Service Planning.

Andy was President of ITS-NY and serves currently as member of its Board. He is widely traveled professionally and is considered to be an expert regarding the characteristics and operations of transit systems worldwide.

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