

JOINING THE INTERNATIONAL FORUM FOR RURAL TRANSPORT AND DEVELOPMENT

The International Forum for Rural Transport and Development (IFRTD) is a global network of individuals and organisations working together to improve access, mobility and economic opportunity for poor communities in developing countries.

Joining the IFRTD network is easy, free and has many benefits (details overleaf).

BENEFITS OF JOINING IFRTD

Forum News

Our newsletter, *Forum News*, is circulated free of charge to everyone in the IFRTD network, available in Spanish, French or English. It is produced three times a year, highlighting different areas of our work. Recent issues explore the rural transport and climate change debate, children's mobility constraints in Africa and the role of rural transport in access to healthcare provision.



Network News

Network News is our monthly electronic bulletin, featuring the latest rural transport and development news plus events, resources and opportunities from across the IFRTD network and beyond. All members automatically receive *Network News*, an easy way to stay connected with us and up-to-date with current issues.

Participation in email discussion lists

All members can join in the email discussion lists – IFRTD manages several topical and regional lists including the Gender and Transport Community of Practice ('GATNET'); 'Waterways and Livelihoods', focusing on rural water transport; and the IFRTD 'Latin America' and 'West and Central Africa' regional discussion lists, held in Spanish and French respectively.

The network is actively involved in the 'Rural Transport and Development' discussion list, established by IFRTD members in 1998.

Join these email discussion lists at the IFRTD website: www.ifrtd.org

OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Browse the IFRTD website: www.ifrtd.org

The IFRTD website offers all the latest news, features and a wide range of resources (including back issues of *Forum News*), details of training programmes and job vacancies, contact information and networking opportunities. The site can be viewed in English, French or Spanish.



Visit other IFRTD websites

Our website has links to other related sites, including those of the Waterways and Livelihoods, Mobility and Health and Makete Tree organisations.

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Join a National Forum Group in your country

National Forum Groups (NFGs) are networks that subscribe to the Vision, Mission and principles of IFRTD, with members from a wide range of organisations and disciplines. If you would like to join an NFG in your country, please visit www.ifrtd.org or contact the coordinator for your region (details above).

Blog with IFRTD

Follow and contribute to the stimulating blogs written by our members, providing an opportunity to engage in important debates on rural transport and development issues. To follow IFRTD's blog, visit: <http://www.ruraltransport.blogspot.com/>

 <p>Follow IFRTD on Twitter. To join the conversation visit: www.twitter.com/ifrtd</p>	 <p>Visit www.facebook.com to become a friend of IFRTD's and communicate with other individuals and organisations interested in rural transport and development.</p>
 <p>Take a look at IFRTD's videos: www.youtube.com/ifrtd</p>	 <p>View IFRTD's rural transport and development photo gallery: www.flickr.com/ifrtd</p>

TO JOIN THE IFRTD NETWORK

Joining IFRTD is simple and free of charge. Just choose one of the following ways:

- visit the membership pages of the IFRTD website and fill in a brief online form: www.ifrtd.org/membership, or
- email: membership@ifrtd.org, or
- send your name, address, email address and areas of interest to Membership, IFRTD, CAN Mezzanine, 49-51 East Road, London N1 6AH, UK.

When you join IFRTD, you will receive an introductory membership pack, regular issues of *Forum News*, the monthly electronic newsletter Network News and the opportunity to participate in our activities.