

WORLD BICYCLE DAY – 3rd JUNE



On 12th April 2018 , the United Nations approved **3rd June as an official World Bicycleday** of creating awareness about the multiple societal benefits of using the bicycle for transport and leisure . The main message is to show that the bicycle belongs to and serves all of humanity.

The key personalities behind the Bicycle day declaration movement were Prof Leszek Sibilski (Professor of Sociology at Montgomery College, Maryland, USA) for the sustained campaign, Mr Aksoltan Ataeva, Permanent Representative of Turkmenistan to the United Nations for moving the resolution with support of 56 countries and Mr.

Isaac Feld and Professor John E. Swanson for designing the logo. The objective of celebrating 3rd June as World Bicycle Day, the same is reproduced herein under for general awareness / awakening.

OBJECTIVES OF 3rd JUNE AS WORLD BICYCLE DAY - UN ASSEMBLY

- *Acknowledging the uniqueness, longevity and versatility of the bicycle, which has been in use for two centuries, and that it is a simple, affordable, reliable, clean and environmentally fit sustainable means of transportation, fostering environmental stewardship and health, the General Assembly decided to declare 3rd June World Bicycle Day.*
- *It encouraged stakeholders to emphasize and advance the use of the bicycle as a means of fostering sustainable development, strengthening education, including physical education, for children and young people, promoting health, preventing disease, promoting tolerance, mutual understanding and respect and facilitating social inclusion and a culture of peace.*
- *The Assembly welcomed initiatives to organize bicycle rides at the national and local levels as a means of strengthening physical and mental health and well-being and developing a culture of cycling in society.*