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**20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
METRANS TRANSPORTATION CENTER**

Deliveries of goods and services in urban areas have been recognized by the Volvo Research and Educational Foundations (VREF) as one of the most important areas of knowledge and capacity building in urban transportation. Since 2013, VREF has invested in the MetroFreight Center of Excellence, lead by the METRANS Transportation Center, as a strategically important research and educational actor in the field of urban freight internationally.

Under the leadership of Professor Genevieve Giuliano, METRANS through its MetroFreight Center of Excellence has been one of the most significant and scientifically excellent members of the international academic urban freight community. METRANS has contributed highly to moving forward the state-of-the-art in urban freight research, and with its international partnership of universities and institutes from Europe, Asia and North America it is one of the leading actors in the field, in the US as well as globally.

VREF joins the other METRANS partners in celebrating the progress and accomplishments METRANS has reached during its 20 years of operation, and the contributions of METRANS to urban and regional transportation.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Torbjörn Holmström".

TORBJÖRN HOLMSTRÖM  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD