

**8th Technical Committee on Road Safety
October 6, 2021, via Video Conference**

Agreed Conclusions

1. The 8th Technical Committee on Road Safety took place virtually on Wednesday, 6th October 2021.
2. The agenda of the 8th Technical Committee meeting was adopted without any further comments. The main topics of the meeting will be progress made by Regional Partners after one year of adoption of Road Safety Action Plan, as reflected in TCT Secretariat's Action Plan Progress Report, as well as exchanging of the best practices with regards to the Baseline project in producing values for Road Safety Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) in EU Member States.
3. Participants acknowledged the information provided by Mr Peter Whitten, DG MOVE, EC, on development of common methodology for KPIs in the European Union, allowing international comparison and benchmarking. Strong support for KPIs was recognised in the Report recently adopted by the European Parliament, showing the new approach to EU Road Safety Policy for the decade 2021-2030. Guidelines for 6 out of 8 KPIs were developed. Two more KPIs are expected to be developed.
4. Participants welcomed presentation on Common Methodology¹ for the Collection of Key Performance Indicators for Road Safety in the EU Members States, given by Mr Peter Silverans, VIAS Institute.
5. TCT Secretariat invited all Regional Partners to incorporate new methodology for the collection of KPIs when drafting the new road safety strategies.
6. Regional Partners presented their **progress in the implementation of the Road Safety Action Plan made in the period from October 2020 to October 2021.**
 - **Albania** has sent the progress to TCT Secretariat in written. Albania has prepared Terms of Reference for project financed by World Bank. RSA and RSI licensing system of experts is established from 2018 year.
 - **Bosnia and Herzegovina** presented two updates from October 2020: last year, Ministry adopted Rulebook on procedure for data collection of traffic road crashes; prepared draft Road Safety framework Strategy and Action Plan for 2021-2025 and submitted it to Road Safety Council for opinion.
 - **Kosovo*** had slower progress due to change of Government. Coordination body is established by the decision of Government and has held one meeting during 2021. Changing of the law is needed prior to establishing road safety agency. Kosovo has established working group for preparation of Road safety strategy and Action Plan.
 - The establishment of the Road Safety Agency in **North Macedonia** will require amendments of several laws and proposing the new law in this regard. The new law is prepared and most likely will be proposed to Government in October 2021. Guidelines on road safety audits and inspections are updated. Procedures for adopting guidelines in government and drafting of bylaws needs further

¹ <https://baseline.vias.be/>

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 (1999) and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

discussions. With regard to CaDaS protocol, the Ministry of Interior is running a project on data collections and has defined the variables with high importance since 01 January 2020. The full implementation is expected to be completed in Phase II of the project. The detailed design for road section Bitola-Prilep is in final stage of independent audit by the civil engineering faculty.

- **Montenegro** has finalised several studies in road safety and has adopted the Law on Roads. In 2021, Terms of Reference is prepared for development of database in line with CaDaS protocol and trainings of the police officers were conducted. Last year Montenegro developed methodology for measuring road safety KPIs, based on the EC road safety policy framework 2021-2030. Directive on road infrastructure safety management is partially transposed: all bylaws will be drafted by the end of 2021 year and after their adoption, the Directive will be fully transposed. Measures for protection of vulnerable road users are proposed in study that was completed last year.
 - A new Road safety coordination body is established in **Serbia**, which will be led by Ministry of Interior. Financial resources for preparation of road safety strategy are secured. This issue will be considered by newly established Coordination body. Serbia is collecting KPIs since 2013 in line with previous methodology SafetyNet. They will consider the latest development on the new EU methodology for collecting KPIs. On the legislative level, Serbia has adopted 5 bylaws related to the transposition of the Directive Road Infrastructure Safety Management. Besides, during 2021 training of RSA and RSI experts is carried out. Serbian Road Safety traffic agency is issuing licenses for auditors and road safety inspectors.
 - In February 2021, **CONNECTA** have finalised **detail designs for 10 high-risk sections** (on Core and Comprehensive network) with an approximate length of 300 km. The projects have reached their maturity level and are ready for investments. TCT Secretariat together with the EU Commission (DG NEAR) are currently discussing the potential financial modalities that will support the works for improvement of these high-risk sections.
 - **Western Balkans Road Safety Observatory (WBRSO)**² is established, and its inauguration took place at the Ministerial Conference of TCT Secretariat on July 5 in Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia. The first Kick of Meeting of the WBRSO was held on 8 July 2021.
7. Reviewed version of the Road Safety Action Plan with all incorporated comments will be shared with all regional partners. A joint Progress Report, consisting of four Action Plans will be submitted to Regional Steering Committee for adoption on 21 October, and to Ministerial Council³ on 22 October to be held in Pržno, Montenegro.
 8. TCT Secretariat invited participants to look at amendments of Directive for road infrastructure safety management, Directive (EU) 2019/1936 has entered into force from December 16, 2019. With regard to transposition of Directive 2008/96/EC, some definitions and procedures are missing in the regional partners' legislations.
 9. Serbia has sent to TCT Secretariat nominated representatives from Ministry of Construction, Traffic and Infrastructure, Ministry of Interior and Traffic Safety Agency that will participate in Pilot project for joining EU CARE database.

² [About WBRSO - Transport Community \(transport-community.org\)](https://transport-community.org)

³ https://www.transport-community.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Presidency-Conclusions-4.-Ministerial-Council-of-the-Transport-Community_Brdo-pri-Kranju-050721.pdf



10. TCT Secretariat announced potential workshops to be organised in the future in order to present amended EU social legislation, as part of Annex I, namely Regulations 2020/1054, 2020/1055 and 2020/1057. Workshop is foreseen to be organised for all regional partners by TCT Secretariat with Road Transport Inspection authority from one of the EU Member States. Further details will follow in forthcoming months.
11. TCT Secretariat shared information on forthcoming Road Safety Events in the period October - December 2021: iRAP Innovation Workshop on 7 and 14 October 2021, Capacity Building in support of WBRSO (date tbc), and 2nd Global Network Road Safety Observatories 31 Nov, 1 December and 2 December 2021. The links for the online participation will be shared by TCT Secretariat.
12. Next meeting will take place in person if situation permits. Date and time will be defined in due course.

