



11th Technical Committee on Road Safety

06 October 2022

TCT Secretariat Premises, Masarikova 5/9, Belgrade

Agreed Conclusions

1. The 11th Technical Committee on Road Safety took place in a hybrid format, virtually and in TCT Secretariat's premises, Belgrade on Thursday, 06 October 2022.
2. The agenda of the 11th Technical Committee meeting was adopted without any further comments.
3. Participants welcomed the speech of Ljuba Siljanoska, Deputy Director of Transport Community. She reiterated that the overall progress in the Second yearly progress report on the measures of the Road Safety Action Plan is moderate. Road Safety remains high on the political agenda of the Western Balkans region, and Global Plan is a guiding document to support the implementation of the Decade of Action for Road Safety 2021–2030 and its objectives. Regional Partners were encouraged to reflect the recommendations of the Global Plan in their new Road Safety Strategies and Action Plans that are currently being developed.
4. Sanja Čarapić, Ministry of Capital and Investments of Montenegro, welcomed the participants on behalf of the chair of the Technical Committee on Road Safety, Miroslav Mašić and wished a fruitful meeting.
5. Dr Katarina Folla, from the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA), presented the Greek National Road Safety Plan 2021-2030: Setting Priority Measures to meet Targets and Key Performance Indicators. Key principles of the Road Safety Action Plan, crash causes, targets for the reduction of road crash casualties and the way forward in setting priority measures were presented.
6. Veronique Feypell from International Transport Forum (ITF) presented Safe Systems Approach in Action. The scope of work of ITF was introduced, in particular the 17 key studies and 14 pilots which are being implemented worldwide in cooperation with other international organisations. A New Working Group on Advancing the Safe System was introduced. Regional Partners were invited to express their needs and interest concerning implementing safe systems in forthcoming weeks.
7. The draft Second Progress report on the Action Plans and EU Acquis was presented by Liljana Čela, Transport Community Secretariat and Technical Committee members reported the latest changes on the progress made during September 2022.
 - a. **Albania** is in process of finalizing the Terms of Reference for drafting the Road Safety Strategy. The Technical Assistance is supported by EU DEL in Albania. In the same project is foreseen the

restructure of the Authority of Roads of Albania. During the reporting period are approved: 1) "Instruction No 8 dated 12.04.2022 "on technical information needed for the technical control elements, the recommended control methods and the rules related to data format and the procedures for obtaining technical information regarding road vehicles and their trailers", which fully approximates the implementing reg. of the European Council 2019/621 of April 2019; 2) Instruction No. 17 dated 20.07.2022 "For the circulation permit of motor vehicles and their trailers", which is fully complied with the Directive 1999/37 of European Council of April 29, 1999 on the registration documents of road vehicles. Those will be reflected also in Annex. 1 of the Treaty.

- b. **Bosnia and Herzegovina** reported that started with the procedures to conclude the new Memorandum of Understanding between the United Nations Development Programme and the Ministry of Communications and Transport of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the area of road safety. Further, the project "*Building Back Better (BBB) road safety system based on in-depth analysis of road accidents in the post-pandemic period*" which include Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia, submitted by UNECE to the United Nations Road Safety Fund, was approved by the Steering Committee of the United Nations Road Safety Fund.
- Also, Bosnia and Herzegovina reported that the project "Road Safety Inspection (RSI) on selected roads and Road Safety Inspection and Road Safety Audit Training Course (RSI and RSA TC) successfully finished. The beneficiary of the project is the Public Company "Roads of Federation of BiH". As a result of the project, 446 km of roads in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina was subject to road safety inspections and 20 experts passed the training course related to conducting Road Safety Inspection RSI and RSA.
- c. **Kosovo*** drafted a Multimodal Transport Strategy and currently is in process of translation into official languages. Afterwards, the draft Strategy should undergo public consultation and it is expected to be adopted by December 2022. With the support of the EU Office Kosovo, it is engaged an international expert to identify the need for establishing a road traffic safety agency. The expert's report shall be completed by end of October 2022 and will be shared with Transport Community Secretariat for its comments.

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

- d. **Montenegro** will have the first RSI and RSA expert licensed by 20 October 2022. The Ministry of Capital and Investments is the authorised institution for issuing certificates. The outcome of this 9-month project has also provided new guidelines for RSI and RSA. In addition, Montenegro's representatives agreed to share with all members of the technical committee the finalised studies on protecting vulnerable road users and measuring Key Performance Indicators.
 - e. **North Macedonia** reported that during September 2022 clarification meetings with the stakeholders were held aiming to resolve their comments and make final adjustments to the draft law for establishing the Road Traffic Safety Agency. The adoption of the draft law is expected by end of 2022.
 - f. **Serbia** reported that the Ministry of Interior is conducting a study visit to Vienna in support of the implementation of Directive (EU) 2015/413 on facilitating the cross-border exchange of information on road-safety-related traffic offences. The study visit will take place 10-11 October 2022 and is supported by TAIEX programme. In addition, the Ministry of Construction, Transport, and Infrastructure drafted the proposal for the Regulation on the conditions and manners of implementing subsidized allocation of protective frames for used tractors which were adopted in September 2022. It is planned that the subsidized allocation of frames lasts for 3 years.
8. The latest reported updates will be included in the draft Second Progress Report of the Action Plans. All regional partners are invited to submit in writing the latest updates latest by 10 October. The Second Progress Report on the action Plans and EU Acquis shall be adopted at the next Regional Steering Committee meeting on 14 November 2022 and endorsed by Ministerial Council on 15 November 2022.
 9. Technical Committee member from North Macedonia proposed that each Regional Partner who applies to participate in the TAIEX training shall inform Transport Community Secretariat about the application, who will distribute it among other Regional Partners and potentially negotiate to expand the scope of the project to the whole Western Balkans region. Transport Community Secretariat will facilitate this process by contacting DG NEAR, European Commission.
 10. Through discussions between Technical Committee members, it was identified the need for gaining experience from the EU Member States in the implementation of Directive (EU) 2015/413 on facilitating cross-border exchange of information on road-safety-related traffic offences. It is suggested that the example of Serbia to be followed and use the TAIEX Programme for having a site visit in one of the EU Member States.
 11. North Macedonia supported the idea of Montenegro implementing the MAIS3+ system and suggested that would be a good idea to have a joint application with them or jointly with other interested Regional Partners if the Ministry of Health agrees. Discussions shall continue among interested Regional Partners

who shall notify the TC Secretariat to organise joint meetings with them. Once the project idea is finalised, the TC Secretariat shall consult with WHO and ask for its technical support.

12. Recognition of RSA and RSI licensing systems among regional partners should be a topic for future discussions for the expert and high levels. This idea shall be pushed by TC Secretariat at high-level meetings, ministerial or bilateral meetings with the prerequisite of having the consent of the interested regional partner (s).
13. Miroslav Djerić, Ministry of Communications and Transport of Bosnia and Herzegovina informed Regional Partners about TAIEX Regional Workshop on Safety Requirements for Tunnels, which will take place on 18-19 October in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. The workshop will be led by Italian and French experts with a focus on the implementation of Directive 2004/54. The workshop will gather 23 participants from Bosnia and Herzegovina, 5 participants from Montenegro, 4 from Kosovo, 5 from North Macedonia, and 5 from Serbia. Albania reported that they will send their nominations to TAIEX as soon as possible.
14. The detailed structure of CADaS protocol explaining detailed variables about the crash, road, traffic unit and person was presented by Dr Katarina Folla, from the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA).
15. Ms Heike Martenesen, VIAS Institute presented the Guidelines for conducting Road Safety Data reviews. The guide was prepared by the World Bank and the International Transport Forum (ITF). One way to understand possible sources of under-reporting and misreporting, and therefore improve road safety management, is to conduct a review of the road safety data. These guidelines will help to harmonize road safety data reviews across countries and regions, and the results of these reviews will support the work of regional road safety observatories. The case of data review undertaken in Serbia was presented and recommendations based on the findings were explained.
16. Mr David Cliff, CEO of Global Road Safety Partnership (GRSP) gave a presentation on the overall work, Grants programmes and global outreach of GRSP. He highlighted the imperative need for enforcement, as this is a key component of the Safe System approach to improving road safety. Additionally, he spoke about the importance of appropriate protective equipment, drunk driving policing and speed limits.
17. Road Safety Key Performance Indicators used in PIN programme and suggestions ETSC has made for European Commission's road safety KPIs about how they could be enhanced were presented by Ms Jenny Carson, ETSC. Monitoring of KPIs remains crucial in measuring performance in road safety.
18. The capacity buildings foreseen in the three-year work plan of WBRSO which are having specific topics for transport, health and police sectors are going to be decided case by case in future meetings.



19. WBRSO data collection for 2021 is not yet completed. TC Secretariat will send the state of play to all members.
20. The next meeting of the Technical Committee on Road Safety is suggested to be held on 06 December in Brussels, back-to-back with the WBRSO meeting.