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**Side  
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## **UNRSC SIDE EVENT**

### **Halving Road Deaths and Injuries by 2030: The UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2021-2030**

**15<sup>th</sup> October 16:15 – 17:30 CEST**



#### **Background**

The [UN Decade of Action for Road Safety 2021-2030](#) has been proclaimed by UN Resolution A/RES/74/299 with a target to reduce road traffic deaths and injuries by at least 50% by 2030. Member States are tasked with implementing policies and programmes that will achieve these reductions and will be supported by other stakeholders and partners including international and national agencies, civil society organizations, foundations, academia and the private sector. The Decade of Action is underpinned by a Global Plan which is the guide for governments to implement their road safety strategies at national level.

#### **Why this side event?**

With the launch of the UN Decade of Action Plan for Road Safety now officially scheduled on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2021, this side event will help create momentum for the launch and provide important background and focus on the role of reduced road trauma in supporting Sustainable Transport and Sustainable Development. The event will be structured around the 12 Global Road Safety Performance Targets in alignment with the Thematic Session 5 on Policies for sustainable transport. A specific focus on financing of safe and sustainable transport will also be included as an important enabler of action in support of the 12 Targets.

#### **Format**

Two hours online event hosted on zoom platform. The event will feature short presentations followed by Q&A sessions with the audience for each the blocks/topics addressed.

#### **Date & Time**

15<sup>th</sup> October from 16:15 to 17:30 CEST

#### **Event page**

<https://irfnet.ch/event/second-United-nations-global-sustainable-transport-conference-beijing-china/>

## Registration

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_mjbgcz8WTDObUa4dTdUOng](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mjbgcz8WTDObUa4dTdUOng)

## Organisers

This is an event of the [United Nations Road Safety Collaboration \(UNRSC\)](#) being coordinated by the [International Road Federation \(IRF\)](#) and the [International Road Assessment Programme \(iRAP\)](#)

The UN Road Safety Collaboration (UNRSC) was established in 2004 following the UN General Assembly (GA) resolution 58/289 inviting WHO, working in close cooperation with the UN regional commissions, to act as coordinator on road safety issues across the UN system.

The UNRSC is an informal consultative mechanism whose goal is to facilitate international cooperation and strengthen global and regional coordination among UN agencies and other international partners to implement UN General Assembly Resolutions on road safety.

The UNRSC brings together representatives from Members States, UN agencies, Development Banks, and other global road safety stakeholders from NGOs, academia, philanthropic foundations and private sector.

## The link between road safety and the SDGs

**HOW UNSAFE STREETS IMPACT THE SDGs**


The infographic features a central circular wheel with 17 segments, each representing an SDG. Surrounding the wheel are 17 text boxes, each detailing the impact of unsafe streets on a specific SDG:

- 1 NO POVERTY:** The poor bear the hardest burden of road crashes.
- 3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING:** 1.3 million are killed and millions more injured each year in road crashes.
- 4 QUALITY EDUCATION:** Every day thousands of children and youth lose their right to an education through road traffic death or injury.
- 5 GENDER EQUALITY:** Poorly lit, unsafe streets are often places where women feel unsafe.
- 7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY:** Toxic pollutants from vehicle emissions cause ill health.
- 8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH:** Road traffic injuries are a drain on economies, costing countries billions of dollars.
- 10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES:** Unsafe streets where the vulnerable are at risk, are a visible legacy of elitist or overtly racist planning policies.
- 11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES:** Underfunding of public transportation in cities fuels further car dependency.
- 13 CLIMATE ACTION:** Making streets safer engenders more zero-carbon walking and cycling.
- 17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS:** Through the Child Health Initiative, and Advocacy Hub, we are supporting partnerships for safe and healthy streets for children, young people and the Climate in cities worldwide.

Logos at the bottom include: FIA FOUNDATION, CHILD HEALTH INITIATIVE, DECADE OF ACTION, THIS IS MY STREET, and 30 KPH/H.

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## TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

Topic	Presentations	Invited Speakers
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The global road trauma burden</li> <li>▪ The MDBs commitment: the Joint Statement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ WHO</li> <li>▪ EIB</li> </ul>
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 45%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>1</b> 2020</p> <p>Target 1: By 2020, all countries establish a comprehensive multisectoral national road safety action plan with time-bound targets.</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 45%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>2</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 2: By 2030, all countries accede to one or more of the core road safety-related UN legal instruments.</p> </div> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The UN Decade of Action Plan</li> <li>▪ Commitment and Accountability</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ UNECE</li> <li>▪ Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety</li> </ul>
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 45%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>3</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 3: By 2030, all new roads achieve technical standards for all road users that take into account road safety, or meet a three star rating or better.</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 45%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>4</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 4: By 2030, more than 75% of travel on existing roads is on roads that meet technical standards for all road users that take into account road safety.</p> </div> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 3-star or better standards for new roads</li> <li>▪ The Ten Step Plan for Safer Road Infrastructure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ iRAP</li> <li>▪ International Road Federation (IRF)</li> </ul>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: auto;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>5</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 5: By 2030, 100% of new vehicles or products and used vehicles meet high safety standards, such as the International Safety UN Regulations, Global Technical Regulations, or equivalent recognized national performance requirements.</p> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No Zero Star Cars</li> <li>▪ Improving vehicles' inspections and standards in Africa</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Towards Zero Foundation</li> <li>▪ CITA</li> </ul>
<div style="display: flex; flex-wrap: wrap; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 30%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 6: By 2030, halve the proportion of vehicles travelling over the period speed limits and achieve a reduction in speed-related injuries and fatalities.</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 30%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>7</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 7: By 2030, increase the proportion of motorcycle riders correctly using standard helmets to close to 100%.</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 30%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>8</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 8: By 2030, increase the proportion of motor vehicle occupants using safety belts or standard child restraint systems to close to 100%.</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 30%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>9</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 9: By 2030, halve the number of road traffic injuries and fatalities related to drivers using alcohol, and/or achieve a reduction in those related to other psychoactive substances.</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 30%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>10</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 10: By 2030, all countries have national laws to restrict or prohibit the use of mobile phones while driving.</p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 30%;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>11</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 11: By 2030, all countries have strict regulations for driving time and rest periods for professional drivers, and/or accede to international regional legislation in this area.</p> </div> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The critical legislation needed for safer road use</li> <li>▪ Safer and healthier streets: the 30km/h campaign</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ AIP</li> <li>▪ FIA Foundation</li> </ul>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: 100px; margin: auto;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>12</b> 2030</p> <p>Target 12: By 2030, all countries establish and achieve national targets in order to minimise the time interval between road traffic crashes and the provision of first professional emergency care.</p> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The golden hour</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ FIRE AID/EASST</li> </ul>
<h3>Financing the Decade of Action</h3>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mobilising Private Sector Finance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ World Bank</li> </ul>