



ROAD SAFETY: the European Union Policy



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Towards a European Road Safety Area: Policy orientations on road safety 2011-2020

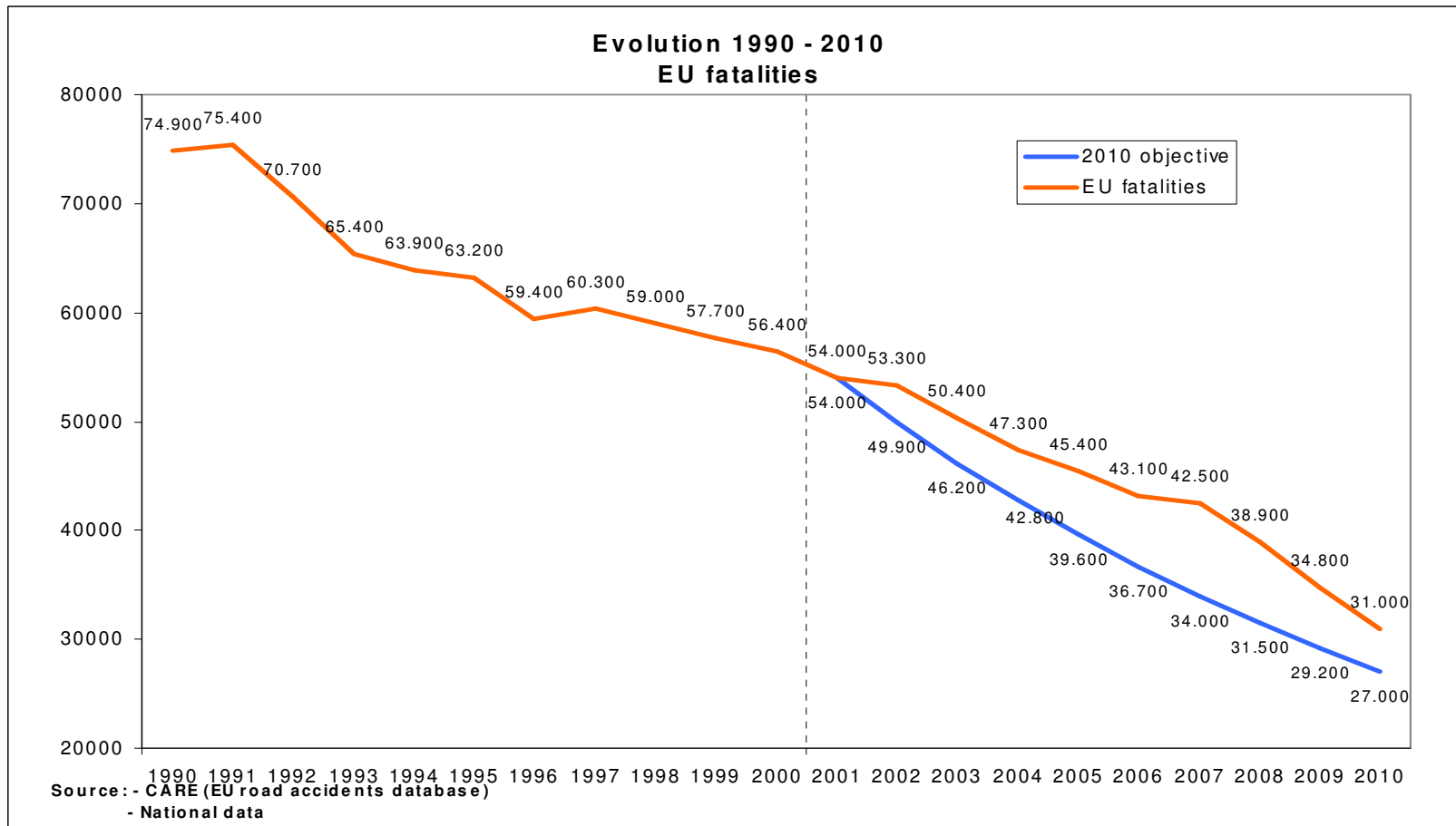
EU communications Policy Orientations

- Adoption Commission Communication July 2010
 - Continuation of RSAP 2003-2010
- Council conclusions 2 Dec 2010
- EP resolution (ongoing)

RSAP 2003-2010

- RSAP and outcome in 2010

Fatalities – evolution 1990-2010



Policy Orientations- Main elements

- Main elements of Policy Orientations
 - Primary Target another -/- 50 % deaths in traffic
- > Education, training and enforcement are considered essential.

POLICY Objectives

7 Objectives have been identified

1. Improve education and training of road users
2. Increase enforcement of road rules
3. Safer road infrastructure
4. Safer vehicles
5. Promote the use of modern technology to increase safety
6. Improve emergency and post-injury services
7. Protect vulnerable road users

Objective 1

Education and training – Common Strategy

- Commission will develop a new common strategy on education and training
- In co-operation with Member States, experts and Stakeholders as CIECA
- Involves improvement and extension of current legislation on Driving licences and CPC
+ exchange of best practices

How to improve education and training of road users

- **Pre-test learning:** promote practice before the test under maximum safety conditions
 - e.g. accompanied driving
 - harmonised minimum requirements for instructors and accompanying drivers
- **Driving licence test:**
 - highway code
 - manoeuvres
 - > broader driving skills/risk awareness/ defensive driving/ eco-driving
- **Post-licence training**
 - Continuous training for non-professional drivers to be examined

Planning Education & Training

Short term (2011-2012):

- Priority is Driving licence Directive 2006/126/EC
- Preparatory work for future development education and training strategy (CIECA)

Planning Education & Training

Medium and long term (2013-2020)

- Proposing amendments to Directive/ legislative proposals on training and testing for licence
- Actions to develop post-licence and life-long learning through exchange best-practices, or guidelines
- Negotiating and adopting amendments to the Directive concerning training requirements instructors, accompanied driving, etc
- Preparation comprehensive legislative package on education, training and testing

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- **Objective n°5: Promote the use of modern technology to increase road safety**

Modern technology – training and testing:

- **Assistance: e-learning, simulators**
- **Concerns: how to train and test on vehicles with more and more ITS**

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Objective n°7: Protect vulnerable road users

- High number of fatalities and serious injuries for this group is concern for Commission
- PTW, AM, Bicycles, Elderly, Pedestrians, disabled persons are overpopulated in fatalities
- **Actions**
The European Commission will discuss their approach with stakeholders

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● ***CIECA-involvement in COM objectives ?***

The Commission:

- ***Appreciates CIECA's activities so far in helping to support the legislative framework and provide non-legislative solutions***
- ***Values a good working relation with an independent and professional organisation as CIECA***
- ***Thinks CIECA's proposed amendments - to its statutes aligns well with the policy proposed by the Commission.***
- ***Looks forward to continue the discussion with the CIECA on how it can contribute to the Commission's Policy orientations for Road safety.***

Web sites

- **European Commission transport website**
http://ec.europa.eu/transport/index_fr.html
- **Shortcut to the Road safety section**
<http://ec.europa.eu/roadsafety>

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Transport: Road Safety - Microsoft Internet Explorer
http://ec.europa.eu/roadsafety

European Commission > Transport > Road Safety

Did you know?
About 1.100 children died in road traffic accidents in 2008.

Facts and figures
The obligation to use seat belts has been extended to ALL categories of vehicles. It is also required to use restraint systems specially adapted for children

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