

BRIEF ON

THE FIRST WORKSHOP

**“TOWARDS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ROAD SAFETY OBSERVATORY
IN AFRICA**

20TH-21ST FEBRUARY 2018 IN DAKAR, SENEGAL

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- The first workshop “**Towards The Establishment of Road Safety Observatory in Africa**” was held on the 20 and 21 February 2018 in Dakar, Senegal
- Organized jointly by the SSATP, The World Bank, FIA and International Transport Forum(ITF)
- Present were other partners -UNECA, WHO, Islamic Development Bank, GRSF, Rep of Sweden & France, Safer Africa Project
- The objective of the workshop
“to shape the way towards the establishment of a road safety observatory in Africa, in view to foster the development of a synergistic environment to empower countries to collect useful and timely information to address the road safety ongoing epidemic”

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- In the meeting, countries presented on their expectation of the road safety observatory and
- Presentation on counties' current data systems including
 - The governance structure on road safety and road safety data
 - the status of road safety
 - The data sources available
 - The data sources linkages status and level (in any)
 - The Exposure data availability
 - strengths,
 - Weaknesses and challenges,
 - their potential areas of collaborations
 - The level of IT use in data systems

Notable findings



- Underreporting of road crash data in Africa is widespread
- High rates of road deaths in Africa is high
- Different countries collect different road safety data elements
- Use of vital registration data and hospital data is limited
- Largely ,countries collect data on road crash deaths and minimally on non-fatal injuries, crashes among others
- Largely, different data sources are not interlinked or the linkages are weak
- Use of IT exists with different levels across countries
- There is no standardization of data systems including minimum set of data in Africa
- The sharing of road safety data and road safety practices in Africa is very limited if not non-existent
- Road Safety Performance Indicators are barely used in African region
- Where SPIs are utilized , it is not standardized as per the major risk factors

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RESOLUTIONS



- Formalize the establishment of road safety observatory in Africa
- That road safety observatory be more than a repository but a network of experts and government officials
- The observatory to
 - Improve data analysis for evidence based policy making
 - Capacity Building
- Adopt the workplans towards the establishment of African Road Safety Observatory
- Inclusion of the African Road safety Observatory in the SSATP General Assembly in July 2018
- Meetings to facilitate the achievements of sets goals for the establishment of the observatory

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Thank you