2018 SSATP Annual Meeting

Pillar C Road Safety

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Workshop: Towards an African Road Safety Observatory

A common understanding and agreement for African countries to manage and monitor road safety performance

**Original goal:** A regional road safety observatory is operational in one REC

**Current scope:** An African road safety observatory is operational

**Commitments:** At Dakar Workshop in February 2018, 7 countries committed to explore the establishment of an African observatory

**Abuja Workshop:** Engage more countries, establish project structure, develop minimum indicators

**28 countries:** participated
African Road Safety Observatory
Second Workshop, Abuja

• Recall the outcomes of the first workshop held in Dakar: lack of harmonization of data collected by countries, the reporting of accidents,

• results of the online survey shared with representatives of member countries: its implementation is an opportunity to accelerate the improvement of data systems at the national level; a unique African observatory; the African Union could host the Observatory

• Reiterated the importance of road safety data, in the choice and planning of actions to be carried out and in the monitoring and evaluation of results and performance achieved

• introduced the concept of the African Road Safety Observatory as a formal network for representatives from African countries; a framework for exchange and discussion among experts; and a common database on road safety
African Road Safety Observatory
Second Workshop, Abuja

- There is a lot of data on road safety in Africa: no less than 110 reports on 54 countries, which is a good basis for the African observatory; build on what we have

- However, there are challenges - the quality of police sources and the absence of vital registration data

- An initial list of 44 indicators to be collected at the national level was examined and enriched

- From this list the indicators to be collected at regional will be selected. These indicators will be classified according to the usual typology: accident data; risk exposure data; behavioral data
For an African Road Safety Observatory
Second Workshop, Abuja

Outcome from the workshop:

• A steering committee of 8 countries to lead the discussions

• Two taskforces including:

  A taskforce to deepen the mode of governance

  A taskforce to prepare the work plan of the observatory for the initial period 2018-2020

• Some donor support already in place, need for ongoing national resources recognized

• 3rd workshop to in Marrakech, in November in conjunction with African Road Safety forum,
4 Road Safety priority objectives

- Improving road safety monitoring and management
- Development of Road Safety Strategies
- Development of Road Safety Institutions
- Supporting the integration of road safety policy and strategies
Day 3: Sharing experience and learning

• **CITA:** vehicles are a critical part of the safety equation, and there are very effective regulatory systems available to countries.

• **Nigeria:** road safety management underpins all activity of the Federal Road Safety Corps. A clear national strategy is in place.

• **Sénégal:** A major project underway is to formally establish Organisme de Gestion de la Sécurité Routière (OGESER), an autonomous road safety lead agency with legal and financial backing.

Inaugural meeting of Africa Regional Chapter of Global Network for Road Safety Legislators

• Parliamentary representatives from Benin, Cameroon, Ghana, Nigeria, Sénégal, Tanzania, Uganda
• Global Network Manifesto
• Many other points of discussion including
  • Parliamentary activities to promote road safety and scrutinize progress
  • Commitment for networking to build partnerships at country and sub regional levels
  • Road crash data
  • UN Road Safety Fund
  • National legislation opportunities
  • The Motorcycle challenge
  • Pedestrians, highways and roadside markets
  • Support for lead agencies
The Way Forward

- African Road Safety Leadership Program
- Deepening engagement at country and city level influencing policy and institutions – more countries committed to work with SSATP
- Provision of templates and guidelines to accelerate good practice policy and strategies
- More effective use of the RECs to create opportunities for road safety associations and networking at sub regional level
- Continued partnerships with key institutions and development partners working on road safety in Africa leveraging comparative advantage
The Road to Marrakech
THANK YOU

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