# Safe and Sober Transport
# Alcohol Interlock Seminar
# 26th September 2012

14:00 - 18:15

*Ministry of Transport*
*Nábřeží Ludvíka Svobody 12/1222*
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The European Transport Safety Council (ETSC), together with the Czech Transport Research Centre (CDV), have the pleasure to invite you to the latest "Safe & Sober" Seminar. The "Safe & Sober" campaign was started by ETSC in 2007 and it aims to raise awareness amongst policy makers, the private sector as well as key opinion leaders, towards a systemic approach to reduce alcohol misuse in road transport.

In the framework of this campaign, supported by the Volvo Group and ACS, ETSC is organising a series of roundtable events (the "Safe & Sober Talks") in selected European countries bringing together "drink driving stakeholders", road safety experts and companies. Measures to tackle drink driving, such as the use of alcohol interlocks, enforcement, the BAC limit and targeting novice drivers, are on the agenda of the event in Prague.

More and more countries in Europe are adopting legislation for the use of alcohol interlocks in rehabilitation programmes as a substitute punishment of driving license withdrawal. But, in many EU countries, the technology has found its way into vehicles which are used for the transport of goods or passengers on a voluntary basis. The alcohol interlock is used as a quality assurance tool to comply with a company's alcohol and drugs policy. With the alcohol interlock, a company can guarantee that they only use sober drivers for their transport services. Many companies have already installed alcohol interlocks in their vehicles as an excellent guarantee of safe and sober transport services. More and more municipalities, county councils, public agencies and companies that source passenger and goods transport services are making alcohol interlocks a requirement in negotiating contracts.

Due to the early introduction of a Zero BAC limit for all drivers, today drink driving is socially unacceptable in the Czech Republic and the population is well aware of the limit in their country. However, in 2011, there were 5,242 (7.5%) crashes involving alcohol with 89 deaths (12.6%) and 2,701 people injured.

The European Transport Safety Council together with the Czech Transport Research Centre (CDV) are delighted to invite you to the "Safe & Sober" Talk, which will be held in Prague, from 14:00 to 18:15 on 26th September 2012. Translation (Czech/English) will be provided. To register, please send an email before 24th September 2012 to Petr Pokorný at Petr.Pokorny@cdv.cz.

# Agenda

(Moderator: Josef Mikulik - CDV)

**14:00 Registration**

**14:30 Welcome:** Representative from Ministry of Transport
Olga Sehnalova, Member of the Transport Committee, European Parliament

**14:50 Czech National Road Safety Programme:** Roman Budský, Head of Road Safety Unit, Ministry of Transport

**15:15 Analysing and Reducing Drink-driving deaths**

- **Drink driving in the EU:** Antonio Avenoso, Executive Director, European Transport Safety Council
- **Drink Driving in the Czech Republic:** Jindrich Fric, Division Director, Transport Research Centre
- **Enforcing Drink driving legislation in the Czech Republic:** Leos Trzil, Head of Traffic Police

**16:00 Alcohol interlocks – a life saving technology**

- **Development in alcohol interlock technologies:** Lennart Pilskog, Director of Public Affairs, Volvo Trucks
- **A manufacturer's view:** Bill Burger, Business Unit Manager, Alcohol Countermeasures Systems

***16h30 Coffee Break and Alcohol interlock demonstration***

**17h00 Implementing alcohol interlocks: Best practices, challenges and future developments**

- **Rehabilitation schemes and Offender programmes:** Desiree Schaap, Senior Policy Officer, Ministry of Transport, the Netherlands
- **Quality insurance for commercial transport** : Tanja Ilic, CEO, TaxiStockholm, Sweden
- **Implementing interlocks in specific areas:** Marita Löytty, Team Manager, Finnish Transport Safety Agency

**18h15 Conclusions**