BEST POINT Final Conference

The contribution of Demerit Point Systems to road safety

6th of September 2012, 12.00 – 17.00

Venue: Hotel Renaissance, 19 Rue du Parnasse, 1050 Brussels

12.00 Registration and Buffet lunch in the Hotel restaurant

13.00 Welcome by Prof. Herman De Croo, ETSC Chairman

13.05 Keynote speeches

- Szabolcs Schmidt, Head of the Road Safety Unit, DG MOVE, European Commission (tbc)
- MEP Ines Ayala Sender, European Parliament, Committee on Transport and Tourism

13:30 Penalty point systems in Europe: Key results from the BEST POINT project
Chair: Antonio Avenoso, ETSC Executive Director

- *Introduction to BEST POINT - Offences & Points,* Klaus Machata (Austrian Road Safety Board, KFV)
- *Conceptual framework of Demerit Point Systems*, Charles Goldenberg (Institute for Road Safety Research, SWOV, The Netherlands)
- *Target groups*, Martin Winkelbauer (KFV)
- *Enforcement and Communication*, Veli-Pekka Kallberg (Technical Research Centre of Finland, VTT)
- *Intermediate and rehabilitation measures, the pedagogic value of penalty point systems*, Justyna Wacowska-Slezak (Motor Transport Institute, ITS, Poland)

14:20 Coffee Break

- *The devil is in the details: Administration, monitoring and evaluation*, Simone Klipp (Federal Highway Research Institute - BASt, Germany)
- *Fighting fraud: experience from France*, Joel Valmain (Ministry of Interior)
- *Future perspectives,* Graziella Jost (ETSC)
- *The BEST POINT Handbook: recommended practices*, Klaus Machata (KFV)

15:40 What next? Turning recommendations into reality
Panel discussion chaired by Rob Gifford, UK Parliamentary Advisory Council for Transport Safety (PACTS)

- MEP George Bach, European Parliament, Committee on Transport and Tourism
- Ellen Townsend, ETSC
- Bernd Heller, TISPOL, the European Traffic Police Network
- Josef Mikulik, Czech Transport Research Center, CDV
- Charles Goldenberg, SWOV
- Klaus Machata, KFV

Questions and answers

16:50 Closing remarks

17:00 Refreshments

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The BESTPOINT project aims to collect, analyse and summarise information about Demerit Point Systems (DPS) in place in the EU. The results of the work of a consortium, led by the Austrian Road Safety Board (KFV) and involving 12 partners from across the EU, will be presented in a handbook providing guidelines for setting up a DPS with a maximum return for effort. The event will bring together leading practitioners from countries that have implemented successful DPS. Recommendations to national and EU policy makers will be presented to improve existing systems and take up the challenge of making Demerit Point Systems operable across borders.

The Handbook will be available on http://www.bestpoint-project.eu

To register please send an email to graziella.jost@etsc.eu with your name and organisation.

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