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28 November 2013
10:30 – 12:30

Transport Safety Lunch

With age comes wisdom…and so does Road Safety?

Is the higher road risk of young and novice drivers a law of nature?

Welcome by: **Prof. Herman de Croo, Minister of State and ETSC President**
Inès Ayala Sender, MEP, Transport and Tourism Committee

Chair: **Ellen Townsend, ETSC Policy Director**

Panellists: **Maria Sanz Villegas, Policy Officer, DG Move, European Commission**
Graziella Jost, ETSC Projects Director
Jean-Pascal Assailly, Research Director, IFSTTAR
Jens Völmicke, Director Corporate Communications, Goodyear Dunlop
Johan Chiers, Director, Responsible Young Drivers
John Lepine, President, European Driving Schools Association
Klaus Machata, Dipl. Ing, KFV, Austrian Road Safety Board

Concluding remarks: **Antonio Avenoso, ETSC Executive Director**

Young people are among the groups facing the highest risks of dying while on the road: over 140,000 young people aged 15 to 30 have lost their lives on European roads since 2001. 9150 of them in 2010. This age group represents 20% of the population of the EU, but makes up 30% of the total number of road deaths. Road mortality of young people is 69% higher than the corresponding figure for people of all other ages.

The high levels of young driver risk result in principle from factors of inexperience, immaturity and lifestyles associated with their age and gender. Member States must therefore make the fight against road deaths among young people a specific priority if they want to achieve the EU 2020 road safety target and their national targets. Specific measures for novice drivers, such as tighter blood alcohol limits, stricter demerit point systems or provisions for accompanied driving while gaining experience, have proven effects to reduce the high risks they face immediately after the licence for solo driving has been awarded.

Against this background, ETSC's Transport Safety Lunch will be the occasion to discuss young and novice drivers safety with a group of experts from different areas and to exchange views on one of the most problematic road safety issue across the EU.

European Transport Safety Council

ETSC's Transport Safety Lunches are the site for openly debating promising and successful European approaches to prevent both accidents and injuries in transportation. They bring together decision makers from the transport sector in Brussels, thus establishing a platform to exchange information and views for all those interested in transport safety.

The experts will provide the audience with an insight into innovative transport safety work. By addressing the most pressing problems they are paving the way for sharing knowledge and experience of how to best reduce transport-related accidents and injuries. The debates will explore possibilities of how key actors can develop the political and organisational leadership that it takes to implement effective safety schemes.

The Lunches provide good opportunities for both public authorities from all EU countries and private companies from all transport sectors to present their technical and organisational measures for the improvement of safety within the different modes of transport.

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Professor Herman De Croo, Minister of State and ETSC President

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