



International Road Safety Conference

The role of EU in improving road infrastructure safety

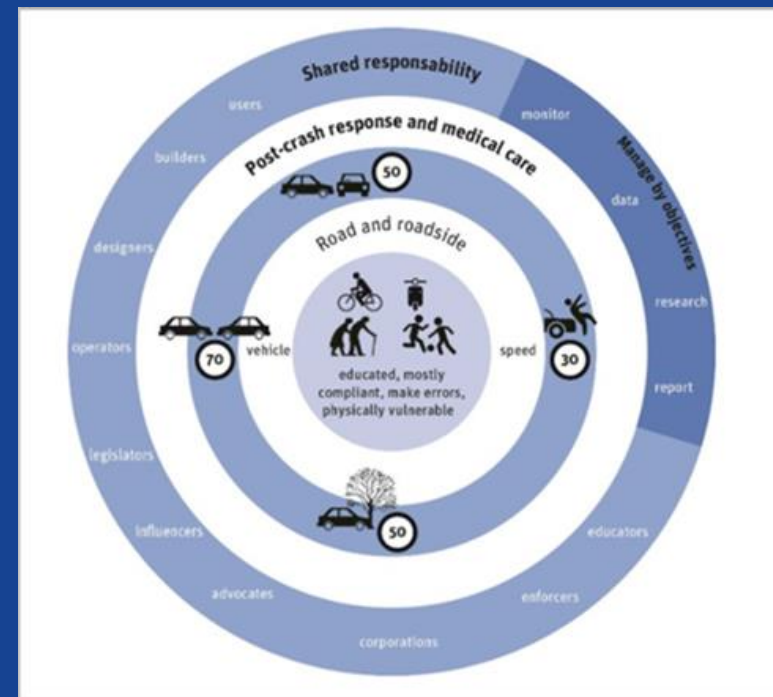
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The principles of the "Safe System" approach

- **Focus** on death and serious injury reduction
- System of **protective layers**
- Targets: "**Vision Zero**" and interim reduction targets
- **Monitoring** based on key performance indicators
- Reinforced **coordination** between levels and sectors
- **Funding** support

-> **Infrastructure is a determining factor in ~30% of serious crashes.**





Infrastructure safety: The Road Infrastructure Management Directive (RISM)

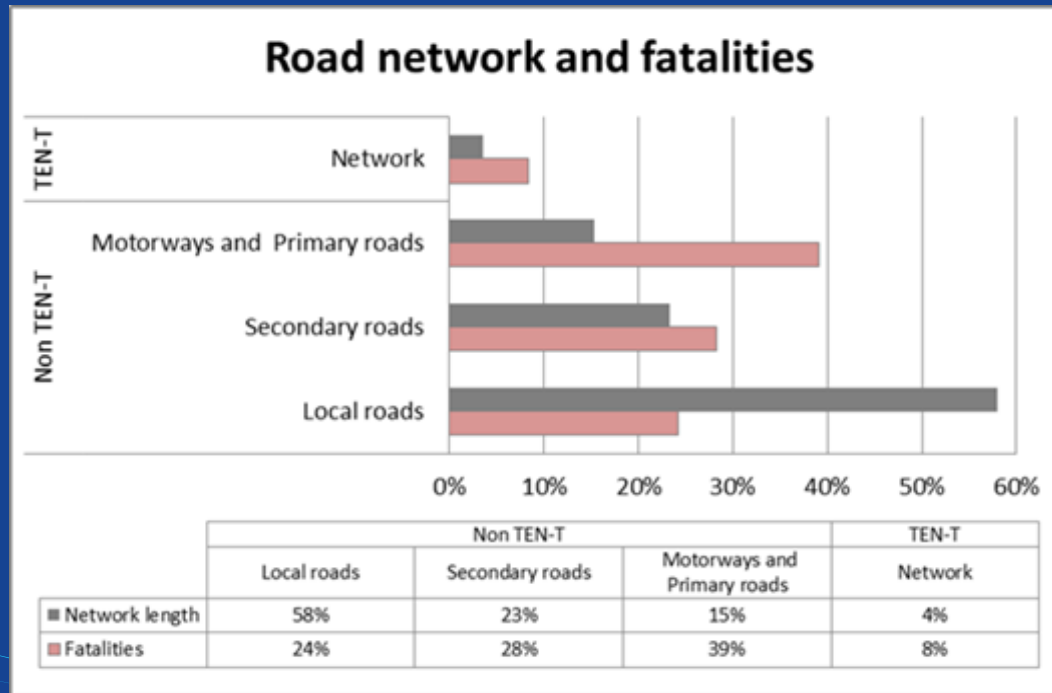
- Road safety considerations to be taken into account **in all life phases of roads**
- **Procedures** for impact assessments, audits, inspections
- Scope: **TEN-T network**



RISM revision: main elements

- **Extend the scope** to primary roads and roads built using EU funds
- Introduce **network-wide risk mapping** procedure
- **Transparency and follow-up** of procedures
- Take **vulnerable road users** systematically into account
- Common specifications for **road markings and road signs** to facilitate roll-out of cooperative, connected and automated mobility
- Estimated to save **3200 lives** and prevent **20,700 serious injuries** (2020-2030)

Distribution of fatalities by road type on the EU inter-urban road network*



* Based on a sample of 8 MSs

Examples of road safety risks and possible countermeasures





Investment

- Focus on rehabilitation of **existing roads**
- Available **instruments**: Structural funds, Connecting Europe Facility (CEF), European Investment Bank (EIB) lending and blending
- CEF call 2018: **200 million €** for road safety and digitalisation
- Preparing launch of «**Safer Transport Facility**» in cooperation with EIB on 28 March 2019



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