



# Driving and resting times enforcement

#### Safety Aspects!

The road haulage market and its social dimension, including the safety aspect
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### Brief introduction ECR



#### **Euro Contrôle Route (ECR)**

is a group of European road control services which collaborate to improve the quality of enforcement so as to improve road safety and the compliance to road transport regulations and to promote fair competition.

Euro Contrôle Route currently has 14 members and 4 observer countries.

The four pillars of ECR are:

- Training of enforcement officers
- Exchange of data and coordinated controls
- Harmonisation of enforcement practices
- Common positions European road transport issues



Euro Contrôle Route partners: TISPOL, IRU, ETF and CITA



### **Economic downturn**





75% reduction of the enforcement capacity reported by the member states (2011-2012)



### **Enforcement in Europe**



EU road transport acquis

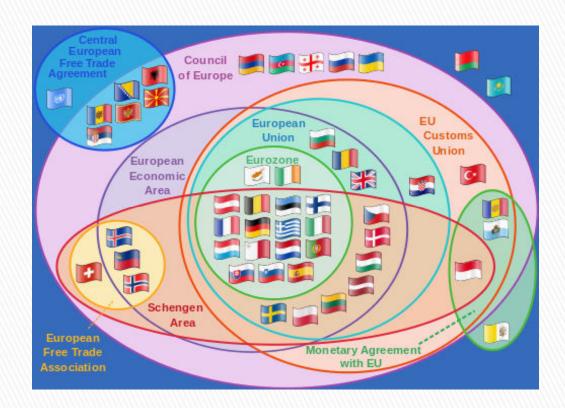


Enforcement EU road transport acquis



# Single European enforcement area?





A European Road Transport Agency is lacking !?



## Fatigue and speeding common cause HGV accidents





Tiredness and speeding are common causes of accidents among drivers of lorries and coaches

Road accidents are the leading cause of work-related death in industrialised countries.



### Human tragedy on European roads





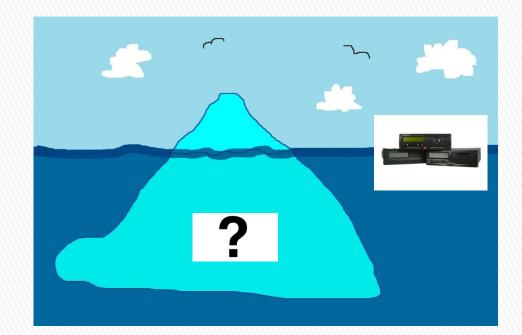
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# Tachograph fraud and manipulation major concern



# Over 50.000 registered tachograph frauds annually, only the top of the iceberg









### Digital tachograph; a blessing?





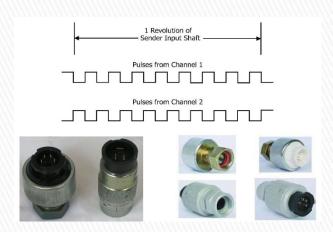
The digital tachograph was developed 1997-2002 and launched (after a 2 years delay) in 2006 to facilitate and enhance drivers hours controls for companies, drivers and enforcers



### Digital tachograph; a blessing?







The digital tachograph nowadays is instrumental to fraud and manipulation and has become a complicating factor during inspections of drivers hours

The focus shifted from the control of drivers hours to the tachograph as a control object



## Current situation related to the legal requirements road transport legislation





- Vague / lack of clarity
- Language complicates matters considerably
- Member states hide behind subsidiarity
- Leads to legal inequality and legal uncertainty



### Disired situation related to the legal requirements road transport legislation





### Key to improvement of the applicable road transport legislation are:

- Practical / easy to apply / understandable / unambiguous legal provisions
  - Assessment of enforceability

These are the requirements that contribute to a more joint enforcement area.





Intelligent enforcement schemes will be addressed during the annual ECR Conference 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of June 2015 in Amsterdam

The motto for the conference is; Intelligent Inspections / Better enforcement for fewer controls

- intelligent enforcement strategies
- better information exchange on an EU scale
- for better risk rating and
- for targeting / information led inspections







The venue of the meeting is well chosen, the Amsterdam Mövenpick hotel city centre

On behalf of the Dutch ECR presidency I warmly invite you to join us for the conference!

For more information and registration see: www.euro-controle-route.eu









#### Thank you very much for your attention!

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