

# ROSEE - ROad safety in South East European regions Feedback from the Greek National Advisory Group

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## Greek NAG Meetings

- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> NAG meeting – 12 February 2013  
*Road Safety Priorities in Greece*
- ✓ 2<sup>nd</sup> NAG meeting – 26 June 2013  
*Greek National Report*

Foreseen future meetings (indicative):

- November 2013
- February 2014
- June 2014



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## 1st Greek NAG Meeting – Road Safety Priorities in Greece

- Presentation of the ROSEE project
- Road safety data and knowledge needs – Questionnaire completion
- Discussion on Road Safety Audit (RSA) in Greece
- Discussion on Speed Management in Greece
- Discussion on the improvement of road users' behaviour in Greece



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## Road Safety Audit (RSA) in Greece

Discussion on technical and organisational issues:

- project selection
- funding
- auditors' trainers (role, institutions and organisation of certification)
- auditors (certification, training, independence, legislation)



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## Road Safety Audit (RSA) in Greece

- The Decree issued for the implementation of the 2008/96/EU Directive does not cover all aspects of RSA/RSI.
- Priority criteria for the selection of roads to be audited/inspected must be defined.
- No official procedure for the training and certification of road safety auditors and of their trainers.



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## Road Safety Audit (RSA) in Greece

- Need for road safety auditors to be familiar with ITS.
- Exploitation of RSA reports for the selection of the necessary measures.
- Development of respective registers where all certified trainers, auditors, audited projects and RSA/RSI results will be recorded.



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## Speed management in Greece

- Cooperation and coordination between Traffic Police and the road infrastructure managing authorities is needed.
- Regulatory and informational signs are used for speed management. There are thoughts to apply variable speed limits, at least in major road axes.
- Speed limits should be reduced in urban areas (30km/h zones), especially in central areas, in residential areas, in areas with commercial activities and areas at the vicinity of schools.



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## Speed management in Greece

Improvement of speed enforcement through:

- Speed cameras located just before hazardous locations and in a way that they can be seen.
- Use of mobile cameras, Variable Message Signs (VMS) and section control method.
- Support by a well-structured operation management system.
- Systematic issue of fines and delivery to the offenders.
- Transparency in fines' management (what is this money used for and by whom).



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## Speed management in Greece

- Need for homogeneity of speeds along the road network to increase safety,
- Need for reliable speed limit signs at the beginning and at the end of sections with different limits
- Need for stricter enforcement of special speed regulations for commercial vehicles
- Use of ITS for effective speed management in the future.



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## Improvement of road users' behaviour in Greece

Three key directions towards which all efforts should be focused:

- enforcement
- education
- information of all road users

Priority should be given to the above in relation to specific road user groups and behaviours.



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## Improvement of road users' behaviour in Greece

- vulnerable users
- pedestrians
- motorcyclists
- bicyclists
- young drivers
- older drivers
- speed
- drink and drive
- use of seat belt and helmet
- use of mobile phone while driving
- driver fatigue, medication
- priority at intersections
- use of child restraints
- extreme road users' behaviours



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## Improvement of road users' behaviour in Greece

Inclusion of road safety in the development of urban mobility plans.

Targeted campaigns.

Development of a driver register, in which all historical data of accident involvement and offences per driver would be recorded.



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## 2nd Greek NAG Meeting – Greek National Report

- Presentation of project progress
- Presentation of the Greek National Report
- Discussion on the contents of the Greek National Report



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## Greek National Report Outline

1. Introduction
2. Current road safety situation in Greece
3. Road Safety Legislation, Policy and Institutional Capacity in Greece
4. Road Safety Related Data and Information
5. Road network conditions in Greece
6. Road users' behaviour in Greece
7. Synthesis
8. References



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## 2nd Greek NAG Meeting – Greek National Report

- Need for more detailed road accident data e.g. for PTWs, bicycles and for different area types.
- Better cooperation and coordination of road safety stakeholders of different authority levels.
- Careful explanation / comparison of results based on various performance indicators.
- Coordination and monitoring of road safety activities by various stakeholders. Special attention for activities at schools.



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