

# Global and Regional Developments on ROAD SAFETY



...The WAY  
Forward to  
Enhance  
ROAD  
SAFETY in  
ASEAN ...

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# Phnom Penh Ministerial Declaration on Association of Southeast Asian Nations Road Safety



## PHNOM PENH MINISTERIAL DECLARATION ON ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS ROAD SAFETY

We, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) transport ministers, gather in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, on 23 November 2004 for the Tenth ASEAN Transport Ministers Meeting (ATM)

- (i) **express** great concern that the lack of road safety in the ASEAN region has reached alarming proportions, with over 75,000 deaths and 4.7 million injured occurring annually, which cause very serious physical, psychological, and economic harm to the victims and their families, as well as huge economic losses of \$88 billion (2.23% of annual gross domestic product) each year to the ASEAN region as a whole;
- (ii) **are conscious** that failing to take effective actions or maintaining business as usual activities will result in 385,000 further deaths, 24 million further injured and \$88 billion in further economic losses over the next 5 years;
- (iii) **welcome** United Nations General Assembly Resolution 58/9 (of 5 Nov 2003) on the global road safety crisis and World Health Assembly Resolution 58.1 (of 22 May 2004) on road safety and health;
- (iv) **are mindful** of our collective responsibility to provide a safe travel environment to ASEAN road users;
- (v) **emphasize** the importance of concerted multisector collaboration at the national level, involving different ministries and departments, private and public sectors, various communities, and civil societies in individual member states and across the ASEAN region;
- (vi) **recognize** that effective actions to improve road safety and promote sustainable development in the ASEAN region require strong political commitment at the national and regional levels;
- (vii) **are building** on the great strides resulting from the Asian Development Bank's ASEAN Regional Road Safety Project, particularly on the national road safety action plans and the regional road safety action plan, and
- (viii) **are determined** to promote in our individual member countries coordinated, and integrated road safety policies and programs, to provide the necessary financial resources, and to provide the necessary financial resources to enable effective and sustainable implementation of the regional action plan, and to provide the necessary financial resources to enable effective and sustainable implementation of the regional action plan, and to provide the necessary financial resources to achieve target reductions in deaths and injuries.

We hereby declare and commit

- (i) **assuming** a key leadership role in knowledge of the causes, circumstances, and countermeasures and support the Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan;
- (ii) **promoting** the gradual harmonization of driving while intoxicated limits, and raising the safety standards on ASEAN road networks; and implementing safety audits on new or rehabilitated roads aimed at raising road safety standards;
- (iii) **promoting** greater awareness of the greatest effect in reducing road fatalities pertaining to setting speed limits, and encouraging safety for users and at-risk users; with:
- (iv) **implementing** measures to improve road safety research on vehicle speed limitation devices, such as including motorcycles, past and present;
- (v) **ensuring** that all road users (motorcyclists), are provided with survival skills before they are required to undertake road travel;
- (vi) **fostering** the development of young adults and children;
- (vii) **encouraging** collaborative mitigation of their consequences;
- (viii) **maintaining** and strengthening and the need to prevent and the need to prevent and the need to prevent;
- (ix) **encouraging** partners, sectors, and communities and bringing road safety to the forefront;
- (x) **establishing** the ASEAN Road Safety Secretariat to continue to develop the region.

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- (i) **adopt** the ASEAN Regional Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan (2005-2010);
- (ii) **establish** in each ASEAN member country a multisector body, to coordinate and manage the implementation of a national road safety action plan;
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- (iv) **institute** a system for the effective monitoring of the implementation of the national road safety plans and the regional road safety action plan;
- (v) **seek** international support and technical assistance from the Asian Development Bank, ASEAN dialogue partners, international development partner community, other related international and regional organizations, global and regional road safety partnership organizations, private and business organizations, and civil society in the development and implementation of regional programs, projects, and activities; and
- (vi) **direct** our senior officials to implement this declaration, establish an ASEAN multisector road safety working group, and report progress on the implementation of national road safety priorities plans and the regional road safety action plan, with the assistance of the ASEAN Secretariat. Progress reports of implementation shall be submitted for further action at the annual ATM.

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## DECLARATION ON THE ASEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY BLUEPRINT



1. **ADOPT** the AEC Blueprint which each ASEAN Member Country shall abide by and implement the AEC by 2015. The AEC Blueprint will transform ASEAN into a single market and production base, a highly competitive economic region, a region of equitable economic development, and a region fully integrated into the global economy.

# ASEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY BLUEPRINT

## A. Single Market and Production Base

## B. Competitive Economic Region

### B4. Infrastructure Development

49. Land transport. Priority is given to completion of the Singapore-Kunming Rail Link (SKRL) and the ASEAN Highway Network (AHN) projects.

Actions:

- i. Complete the development of all the missing links in the Singapore-Kunming Rail Link;
- ii. Complete the implementation of the AHN projects, in particular, road construction / improvement of below Class III road (two narrow lanes with double bituminous treatment) sections of designated Transit Transport Routes (TTRs) of the AHN; and

iii. Enhance road safety in ASEAN.

## INITIATIVES TO ENHANCE ASEAN LAND TRANSPORT COOPERATION (14<sup>th</sup> Land Transport Working Group Meeting, (20-21 August 2008, Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam)

### –Enhancement on Road Safety Action Plan Implementation

- The Meeting recalled that, during the 25th STOM, the Philippines proposed to revisit the Global Road Safety Partnership (GRSP)'s initiative to establish an ASEAN Multi-Sectoral Road Safety Working Group, which could be convened in conjunction with the regular LTWG Meetings. The Tenth ASEAN Transport Ministers (ATM) Meeting agreed that a Multisectoral Road Safety Working Group be established to coordinate and oversee the implementation of the ASEAN Regional Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan (2005-2010). In moving forward the above initiative, the Meeting supported the Philippines' proposal on Enhancing Road Safety in ASEAN,...and agreed to the following strategies / actions:
  - To start the discussion on all related ASEAN Road Safety Measures at the 15th ASEAN LTWG Meeting;
  - The Philippines shall develop the draft Terms of Reference of the Working Group to be tabled at the 26th STOM to be held in November 2008 in Manila. This draft TOR shall also consider the multi-sectoral institutional arrangement at the national level. This draft TOR would be further discussed and considered at the 15th ASEAN LTWG Meeting; and
  - The Meeting endorsed the initiative of the Philippines to pursue discussions on support and collaboration with development partners such as the GRSP, GKTP, ADB and Japan in the continuing effort to enhance implementation of the ASEAN Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan and the national road safety action plans of ASEAN Member States.
  - Member States to submit inputs and information on the Scorecards for Regional Supportive Action and the country level actions on Road Safety to the Philippines **on or before 22 September 2008**.
  - In preparing the discussion at the ASEAN level, all ASEAN Member States were requested to internally consult their relevant bodies/organisations before the holding of the Road Safety Meeting at ASEAN level.

## ASEAN MULTISECTORAL ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP (AMRSWG)

- **ROLE**

- **principal arm of LTWG in coordinating the implementation of the individual country specific road safety action plans and in facilitating the regional activities proposed in the ASEAN Regional Road Safety Action Plan.**

# ASEAN MULTISECTORAL ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP (AMRSWG)

## RESPONSIBILITIES

- a) To coordinate implementation of country specific road safety action plans to ensure that all countries are contributing their share to the improvement of road safety across the region;
- b) To develop and formulate project proposals to enhance harmonization and best practices sharing on road safety issues for consideration and approval by STOM/ATM through the LTWG;
- c) To cooperate with development partners and/or donors to facilitate implementation of regional initiatives aimed at institutional strengthening in road safety sectors;
- d) To provide a mechanism to promote active participation from the ASEAN, private or business sector, non-government organizations and relevant regional institution. For this purpose, technical experts may be invited to the Working Group meetings as observers;
- e) To develop effective methods of exchange of technical information and expertise among ASEAN member countries,
- f) To review the implementation and progress of cooperative programs and activities on road safety in the ASEAN member-countries

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## RESPONSIBILITIES

- g) To provide a common forum for discussion of major regional or international issues and developments in road safety and where possible, coordinate a common or ASEAN position on these issues;
- h) To undertake all measures for the expeditious implementation of the ASEAN Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan including the endorsement of the necessary cooperation programs, projects and activities;
- i) To identify technical and financial support and relevant technologies for road safety from within and outside ASEAN, including but not limited to, the private sector, regional and international organizations and the ASEAN Dialogue Partners;
- j) To report on the implementation progress of the ASEAN Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan and the duly approved National Road Safety Action Plans, to the Senior Transport Officials Meeting (STOM) through the LTWG;
- k) To maintain close cooperation and consultation with the other STOM Working Groups, other related ASEAN coordinating bodies, and with related national, regional or international organizations; and
- l) To perform such other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned by LTWG.

# ASEAN MULTISECTORAL ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP (AMRSWG)

## The Structure of the Working Group

- **composed of representatives from the National Road Safety Committees (NRSC) or its equivalent in each of the ASEAN member countries, development partners, and other international and regional RS advocate organizations and partners.**
- **chaired and vice-chaired concurrently by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the LTWG.**
- **five (5) Sub-Working Groups will be established with the designated chairmen/country coordinators, as follows:**
  1. **Safety Management**
    1. Coordination and Management of Road Safety
    2. Road Accident Data System
    3. Road Safety Funding
    4. Road Safety Research
    5. Road Safety Cooperation and Collaboration
  2. **Safety Systems**
    1. Traffic Legislation
    2. Traffic Police and Enforcement
    3. Emergency Assistance to Traffic Accident Victims

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3. Safer Road Users
  1. Road Safety Education
  2. Driver Testing and Training
  3. Road Safety Publicity Campaigns
  
4. Safer Vehicles
  1. Vehicle Roadworthiness
  2. Safety Standards
  
5. Safer Roads
  1. Safe Planning and Design of Roads
  2. Improvement of Hazardous Locations
  3. Road Accident Costing

# ASEAN MULTISECTORAL ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP (AMRSWG)

## Frequency and Venue of Meetings

- **The Working Group shall meet once a year back-to-back with an LTWG meeting. However, additional meetings of the Working Group may be held whenever deemed necessary by consensus of the members, or upon directive of the LTWG. At each Working Group meeting, the tentative date and venue of its next meeting shall be agreed upon.**
- **The member country assuming the chairmanship of the LTWG shall normally be the host of the meetings.**
- **The Sub Working Groups may hold their meetings back-to-back with the regular meetings of the Working Group. The Sub Working Groups may also conduct their work activities through electronic means, (email) or correspondence. Results of the deliberations of the Sub Working Groups shall be submitted to the Working Group, for further action.**

## Upcoming Immediate work of the AMRSWG...

- Review, assessment and update of the individual country RS Action Plans;
- Update of the ASEAN regional action plan
- Establishment of a monitoring and evaluation system
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MAKE A DIFFERENCE**