

Current Situation of Vehicle Safety Standards Harmonization

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I. Background for International Harmonization of Vehicle Safety Standards

- Most countries are applying their own safety regulations to motor vehicles to reduce traffic accidents, deaths and injuries.
- But different motor vehicles safety standards regarded as technical barriers to trade
 - Issues regarding trade barriers are shifting to “technical barriers to trade” from “tariff barrier” due to establishment of WTO system
- International Harmonization of Motor Vehicle Safety Standards is drawing worldwide attention
 - to enhance motor vehicle safety
 - to reduce trade barrier

II. Policy Goals and Implementation Plans

- Improve safety standards to international levels
- Enhance vehicle quality for the higher safety of passengers

Harmonize safety standards with international standards

- Align standards based on ECE Reg. with ECE Reg.
- Adopt GTR

Enhance international cooperation on automobile safety standards

Enhance Multilateral Cooperation

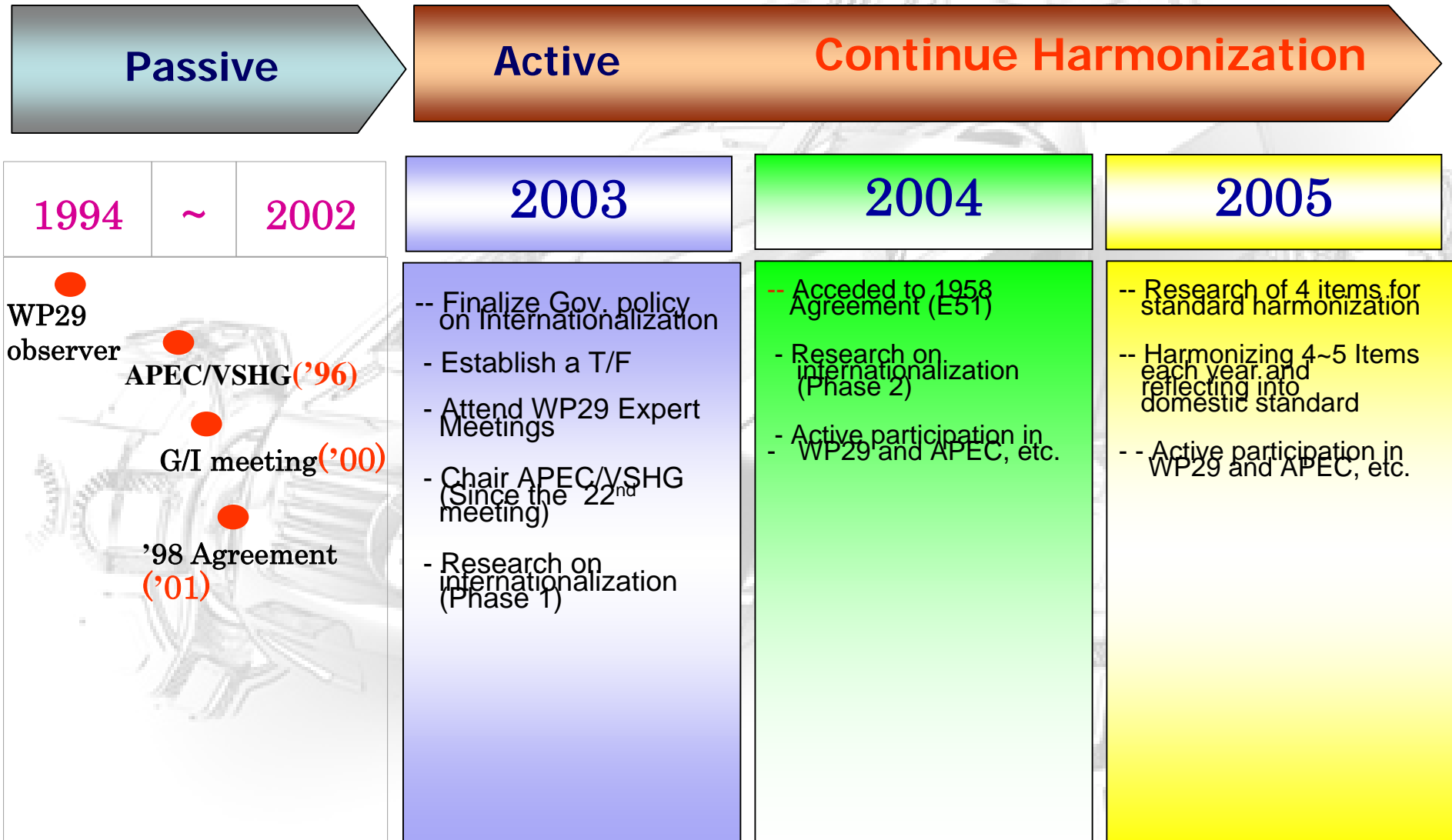
- Lead APEC/VSHG
- Participate in ESV
- Station personnel in Geneva

Expand Bilateral Cooperation

- Strengthen cooperation with China, Japan and the US
- Plan to build coop. channel with EC

Transparent Procedures

III. Overview of Korea's Efforts for International Harmonization of Vehicle Safety Standards



1. Enhancing International Cooperation : Passive Participation

▣ **WP29 since 1994**

- Participate in WP29 as an Observer

▣ **APEC/VSHG since 1996**

- Focus on understanding roles with regard to international cooperation as a member economy

▣ **ASIA G/I Meeting since 2000**

- Attend the meeting since 3rd G/I meeting

▣ **Acceded to 1998 Agreement in 2001**

- Prepare for the smooth introduction of self-certification system in 2003

2. Enhancing International Cooperation : Active Participation

▣ Start basic research for pursuing international standards harmonization : 2003

- ◆ Research on the status of international harmonization regarding motor vehicle safety standards
 - * UN/ECE/WP29, APEC/VSHG
- ◆ Examination on differences between domestic and foreign safety standards
 - * Structural & Device standards and Test Procedures, etc.
- ◆ Set the harmonization plans

▣ Prepare for International Standards Harmonization : 2004

- ◆ Build ECE Regulation Data Base
- ◆ Accede to 1958 Agreement and pursue standards harmonization of 3 items
(Passenger Car Brakes, Rear Under-ride protection, Front Fog Lamps)

IV. Principles for Selecting Items for Harmonization

▣ Principles of Standards Harmonization

- ◆ Adopt all the GTRs
- ◆ Harmonize standards based on ECE Regulations

▣ Rules in selecting items for Standards Harmonization

- ◆ Give priority to Passenger Car
- ◆ Select Items having less impact on Industries and Transportation Environment
- ◆ Harmonize 4~5 Items Each Year

V. Current Situation of Standards Harmonization

▣ Harmonized Standards (2005)

- * Passenger Car Brakes (ECE R13H)
- * Front Fog Lamps (ECE R19)
- * Rear Under-ride Protection (ECE R58)
- * Door Locks and Retention (GTR No.1)

V. Current Situation of Standards Harmonization

	Before Harmonization	After Harmonization
Passenger Car Brakes	- Evaluate braking performance with braking distance only	-Subdivide braking performance test into vehicle classification, devices, road and driving conditions
Front Fog Lamps	-Main luminous axis of beam must be lower than the center of illumination -Shall not illuminate outermost side of the motor vehicle -The center of illumination shall be higher than 25cm above the ground -Shall be designed to be operated independently from other lamps	-Main luminous axis of beam shall illuminate towards the front - The lowest point of illuminating surface shall be higher than 25cm above the ground - Shall be designed to be operated independently from headlamps
Rear Under-ride Protection	-Test Vehicle : Truck and special-purpose vehicles with more than 8 tons in GVW and 5 tons in Max. loading capacity -Installation Location : Based on the Vehicle width	-Test Vehicle : Extended to Truck and special-purpose vehicles with more than 3.5 tons in GVW -Installation Location : Based on the width of the outer wheel
Door Locks and Retention	Based on FMVSS 206	-Introduce back door -Strengthen sliding door

V. Current Situation of Standards Harmonization

▣ Research items for harmonization (2006)

* Head restraint (Proposed GTR)

* Speedometers (ECE R39)

* Lateral Collision (ECE R95)

* Tell-Tales (ECE R121)

* Semi-AFLS (ECE R123)

V. Current Situation of Standards Harmonization

	Before Harmonization	After Harmonization
Head Restraint	- Based on FMVSS 202	-To be harmonized after GTR is established -Introduce definition, installation and test standards regarding Head Restraint -Introduce back-set and non-use position -Strengthen height and dynamic test
Speedometers	-Indication tolerance test of speedometer shall be conducted at a speed greater than 25 km per hour	-Subdivide indication tolerance test of speedometer * Less than 45km per hour * 45km to 100 km per hour * Greater than 150 km per hour -Introduce test standards for currently mass-produced -Introduce test standards for two-wheeled and three-wheeled motor vehicles
Lateral Collision	-Dummy : Euro SID-1 -Honeycomb : Multilayer	-Introduce Euro SID-2 and -Honeycomb : progressive honeycomb
Tell-Tales	- 31 Tell-Tales standards	-Add 11 more Tell-Tales standards resulting in 42 Tell-Tales standards

V. Current Situation of Standards Harmonization

▣ Reflection of Research Results into Domestic Safety Standards

◆ Head Restraint

- Amend domestic safety standards through adopting Head Restraint GTR and allow 3 year deferred period after revision

◆ Speedometers

- Make a draft amendment of domestic safety standards ('07)
- Effective Year ('08)

◆ Lateral Collision

- Apply new honeycomb standards in 2008
- Use old and new dummy model concurrently for 3~5 years or allow 3~5 year deferred period after revision

◆ Tell-Tales

- Amend domestic safety standards through adopting Tell-Tales GTR and allow definite deferred period after revision

◆ Semi-AFLS :

- Apply amended standard regarding curve test road in 2008

V. Current Situation of Standards Harmonization

▣ Plans for Standards harmonization in 2007

- ◆ Safety Glazing Materials (ECE R43)
- ◆ Electromagnetic Stability (ECE R10)
- ◆ Motorcycles Brake Systems GTR
- ◆ Tyres (ECE R30 & FMVSS 139)
- ◆ Full –AFLS(ECE R123)
- ◆ Daytime Running Lamp (ECE R87)

V. Current Situation of Standards Harmonization

▣ Primary Reasons for Selecting Harmonization Items in 2007

◆ Electromagnetic Stability (ECE R10)

- * Currently ECE R10 has been extensively amended, but old ECE R10 based regulation is under operation in Korea
- * Need to consider to reflect the newly amended ECE R10 to KMVSS

◆ Safety Glazing Materials (ECE R43)

- * Loose regulation for Safety Glazing Materials
- * Need to consider to reflect relevant GTR under discussion to KMVSS

◆ Motorcycles Brake Systems GTR

- * Adopted in November 2006 at 140th WP29 meeting
- * Need to harmonize according to the principles of standards harmonization

V. Current Situation of Standards Harmonization

▣ Primary Reasons for Selecting Harmonization Items in 2007

◆ Tyres (ECE R30 & FMVSS 139)

- * Loose regulation for Tyres
- * Prompt enactment of regulation regarding types is necessary considering that tyres are vital to securing vehicle safety

◆ Full –AFLS(ECE R123)

- * Need to adopt relevant regulation as AFLS technologies have fast developed

◆ Daytime Running Lamp (ECE R87)

- * Conduct a feasibility study as the introduction of DRL has been actively discussed in WP29

VI. Future Plan for Standards Harmonization

- ◆ **Harmonizing 4~5 items each year through consultation with various stakeholders such as consumer organizations and vehicle manufacturers**

- ◆ **Candidate Items for Future Harmonization**
 - **Steering Equipments : ECE R79**
 - **Strength of Super Structure (bus) : ECE R66**
 - **Protective Helmet for Drivers and Passengers of Motorcycles : ECE R22**
 - **Warning Triangles : ECE R27**
 - **Replaced Brake Lining : ECE R90**
 - **Illumination of Rear-Registration Plates : ECE R4**
 - **Gas-charged Headlamps and Bulbs : ECE R98, R99**
 - **Child Restraint System**

Thank you very much !

