

# UNECE Role in Road Traffic Safety

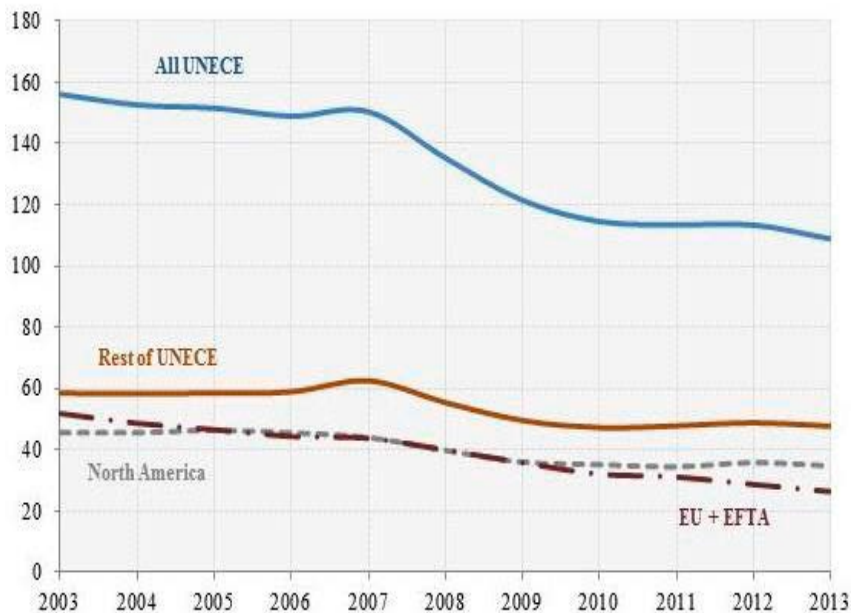
How to achieve Transport- and Trade-related SDGs  
Podgorica, Montenegro  
Nenad Nikolic, Regional Advisor  
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# Road Safety trends (UNECE, 2015)

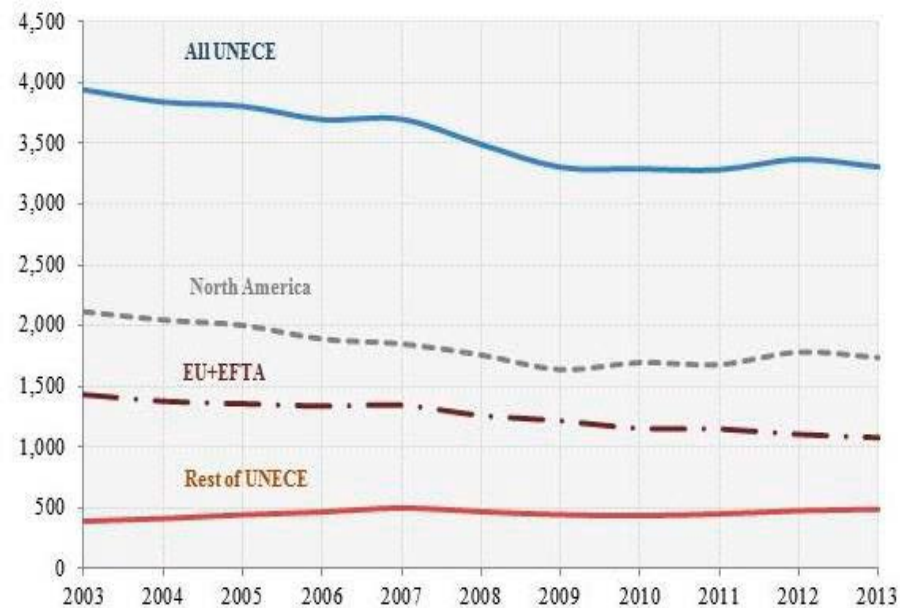
Road traffic fatalities by region, 2003–2013 (UNECE, 2015)

Thousands

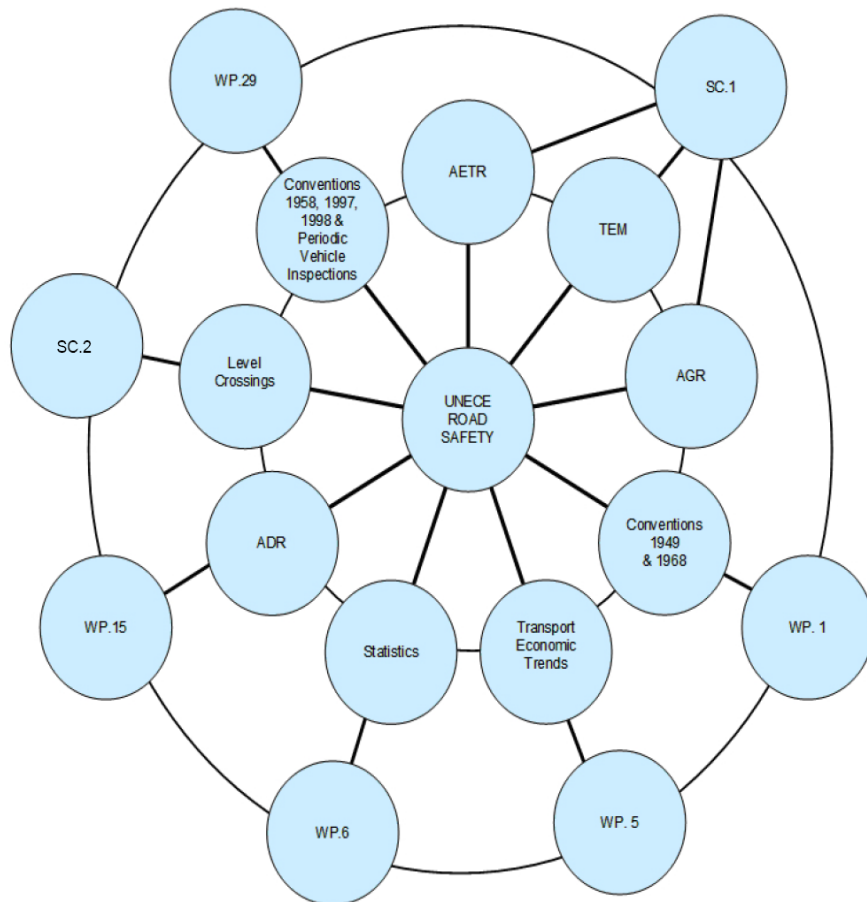


Road traffic accidents by region, 2003–2013 (UNECE, 2015)

Thousands



# UNECE's 360 ° approach to Road Safety



- **Regulatory work**

To ensure widest possible geographical coverage of UN road safety international legal instruments

- **Policy dialogue**

To strengthen road safety management and coordination

- **Analytical work**

To assist in the identification of best practices

- **Technical Assistance**

To assist countries in the ECE region and beyond to implement international transport and road traffic safety legislation



# UNECE – more that 60 years of road safety work



Social Rules  
(driving and rest hours)



Road Traffic Rules



Drivers' License



Road Signs and Signals

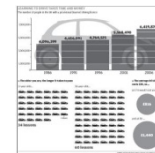


World Forum for  
Harmonization of Vehicle  
Regulations (WP 29)

Vehicle Regulations



Infrastructure (standards and  
parameters, tunnel safety, all  
land modes)



Statistics



Global Customs  
facilitation tool

Border Crossing  
Facilitation



Dangerous Goods

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# UN Legal Instruments



## The main legal instruments

- European Agreement on Main International Traffic Arteries (AGR)
- Convention on Road Traffic, Vienna 1968
- Convention on Road Signs and Signals, Vienna 1968
- European Agreement Concerning the Work of Crews of Vehicles Engaged in International Road Transport (AETR)
- Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Conditions for Periodical Technical Inspections of Wheeled Vehicles and the Reciprocal Recognition of Such Inspections, of 13 November 1997
- European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR) of 30 September 1957

## Sets of best practices

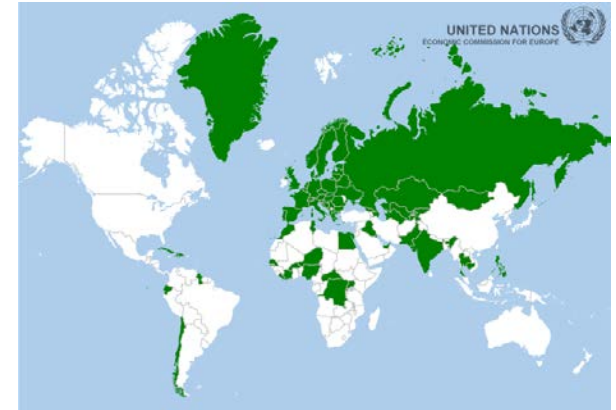
- Consolidated Resolution on Road Traffic (R.E.1)
- Consolidated Resolution on Road Signs and Signals (R.E.2)



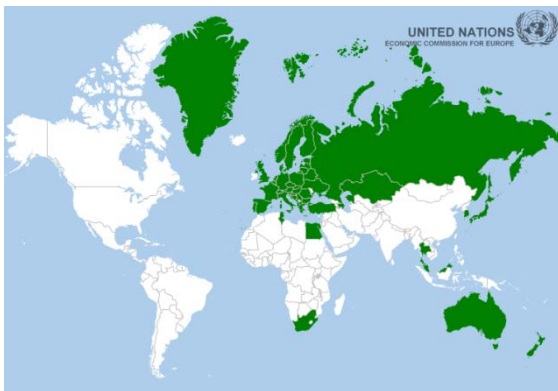
# Global accession to road safety conventions



Convention on Road Traffic -  
1949, 1968

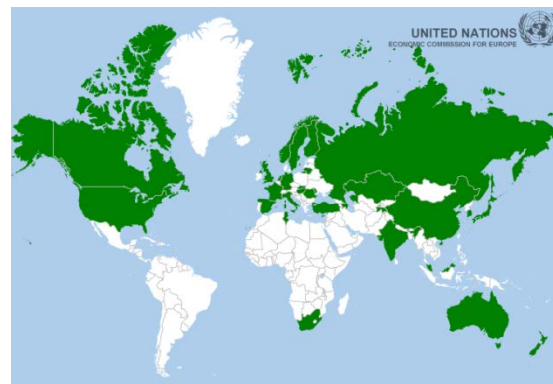


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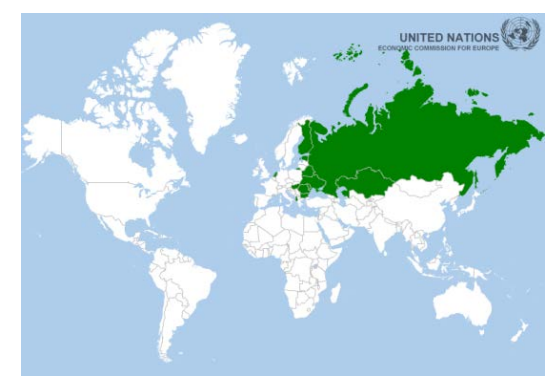


1958

Vehicles Conventions



1998

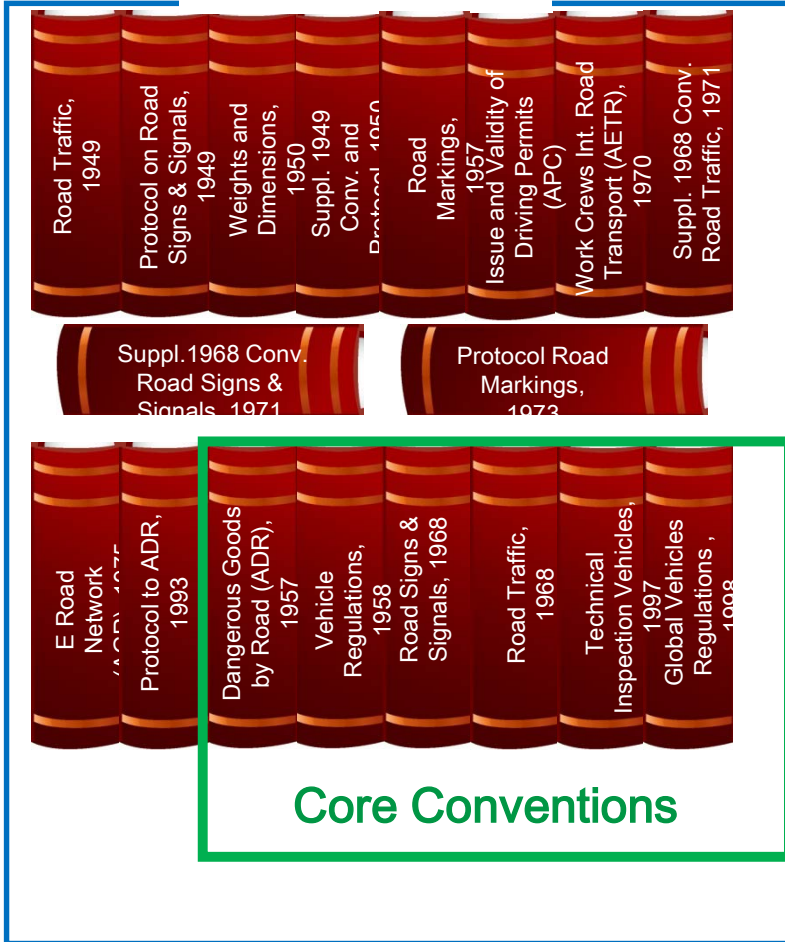


Periodical Inspection  
1997



# Accession to road safety conventions

## The Conventions



Of 18 UN Road Safety Conventions:

- Albania has acceded to 14
- Bosnia & Herzegovina to 11
- Greece to 14
- Republic of Moldova to 12
- Serbia to 16
- The FYR of Macedonia to 9

Of 6 Core UN Road Safety Conventions:

- Albania has acceded to 5
- Bosnia & Herzegovina to 4
- Greece to 4
- Republic of Moldova to 6
- Serbia to 4
- The FYR of Macedonia to 4



# Supporting UN SDGs and Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020 achievement

- Boosting Political Will and Supporting Government Strategies
- Protecting Road Users
- Making Vehicles Safer
- Improving Safety of Transport of Dangerous Goods
- Making Technologies Work for Safer Mobility
- Making Roads Safer
- Improving Cargo Safety
- Learning from Road Crashes
- Mitigating the Impact of Road Crashes
- Raising Awareness, Fundraising and Advocating for Road Safety





# Global Forum on Road Traffic Safety



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## Road Safety Forum

The UNECE pioneered road safety activities in the United Nations system with the establishment of an Ad Hoc Working Group on the prevention of road accidents in 1950. In 1988, the Working Party on Road Traffic Safety (WP.1), an intergovernmental body, was established.

Today, WP.1 remains the only permanent body in the United Nations system that focuses on improving road safety (see [road safety film](#)). Its primary function is to serve as guardian of the United Nations legal instruments aimed at harmonizing traffic rules. More...

**Press Releases**

- UNECE organizes demonstration of new helmets for e-bikes and mopeds  
24 February 2016
- UN SG's Special Envoy for Road Safety and UNECE call on Governments and the automotive industry to implement UN road safety legal instruments  
10 February 2016
- Secretary-General appoints Jean Todt of France Special Envoy for Road Safety  
30 April 2015

**Upcoming Events**

- (WP.1/GE.1) Group of Experts on Improving Safety at Level Crossings (7th session)  
21 to 22 March 2016
- (WP.1) Working Party on Road Traffic Safety (72nd session)  
29 March to 01 April 2016
- (WP.1/GE.2) Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals (7th session)  
30 to 31 May 2016

**News**

- Kyrgyzstan** changes its distinguishing sign (depository notification [↗](#)).
- A new publication: "**Together with UNECE on the road to safety**" is now available to mark the mid-term review of the Global Plan for the Decade of Action for Road Safety. It offers a comprehensive overview of specific activities and initiatives undertaken by UNECE Inland Transport Committee to address challenges faced by road safety

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- Road Safety Forum
- About us
- Schedule of Meetings
- Meetings and Events
  - Working Party on Road Traffic Safety (WP.1)
  - Expert Group on Safety at Level Crossings
  - Expert Group on Road Signs and Signals
  - Events and Workshops
- Legal Instruments
  - Texts and Status
    - WP.1 sets of best practices on road traffic and road signs and signals
    - Distinguishing Signs of Vehicles
- UNDA Project on Setting Road Safety Targets
  - Global Road Safety
  - UNECE Road Traffic Legislation Database
  - National Developments
  - Statistical Data Online

- The Global Forum on Road Traffic Safety (WP.1) is the **ONLY** Permanent intergovernmental body in the UN dealing with Road Safety open to all countries throughout the world
- Two sessions per year, two ad-hoc Expert Groups



# The World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29)



- **UNECE Sustainable Transport Division giving secretariat to WP.29 for more than 60 years**
- **WP.29 is:**
  - the unique worldwide regulatory forum for the automotive sector
  - administrating three Multilateral UN Agreements



**Construction regulations**  
**1958 Agreement** – Type Approval Regulations with mutual recognition of the type approvals  
**1998 Agreement** – Global Technical Regulations



**In Use PTI regulations**  
**1997 Agreement** – Adoption of Uniform Conditions for Periodical Technical Inspections of Wheeled Vehicles and the Reciprocal Recognition of Such Inspection



# United Nations Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Road Safety



Mr. Jean Todt's mandate includes helping to mobilize sustained political commitment, raising awareness of and advocating for accession to UN Road Safety Conventions and advocating for adequate funding for global road safety.

- Meetings with decision-makers in more than 30 countries to raise attention on road safety
- Road Safety Performance review in two African countries.

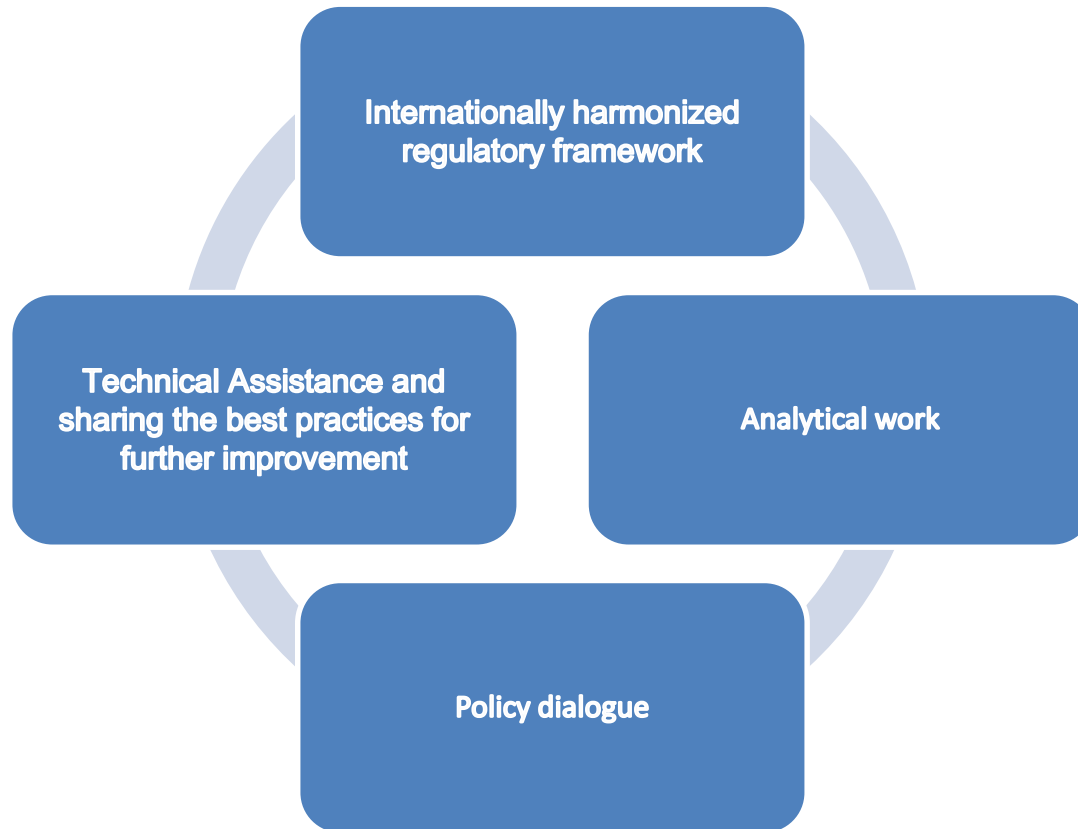


# Technical assistance projects

- **Road Safety Performance Review (RSPR) Project** (Albania, Georgia, Viet Nam and the Dominican Republic)
- **SafeFITS**
- **Trans-European North-South Motorway (TEM) Project** - road safety component



# UNECE for better road traffic safety – result of serious and systematic efforts



# Thank you

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