

The eSafety Forum

The 25th Steering Group meeting

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European Commission
Directorate General Information Society and Media
ICT for Transport

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Context

- **eSafety** is a joint industry-public sector initiative aiming to cut the number of road accidents and fatalities in Europe by using Information and Communication Technologies (ICT).
- The establishment of **the eSafety Forum** was one of the key recommendations of the Commission Communication, adopted in September 2003.
- The objective of the Forum is to promote and the development, deployment and use of **Intelligent Vehicle Systems** in Europe.
- The eSafety Forum has over 150 members, and it has established so far **fourteen Working Groups** that work on priority topics.
- The Forum has also ensured the links with parallel and complementary activities in the domain of intelligent transport systems
- **An International Co-operation Working Group** was established in 2003. It has met once per year, typically at the occasion of the ITS World Congresses
- Since the establishment of **the Intelligent Car Initiative** in 2006, the Forum has been its first pillar of activities.



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Constitution of the New ICWG

- In March 2007 the eSafety Forum Steering Group decided to **re-launch the ICWG**, and invited the SG chairs, with the European Commission taking the lead,
 - To write its new Terms of Reference
 - To invite a representative of a Member State with international experience to co-chair to the group
- The Steering Group also discussed the future orientations of the ICWG and decided that it will become **a European Group**, with focus on European interests.
- This Terms of Reference reflects these decisions, and presents the **objectives, focus, membership, international relationships and draft Work Programme for the new ICWG.**



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Objectives of the ICWG

- The ICWG will **contribute towards the general objectives** of the eSafety Forum.
- The ICWG will **focus on the International Co-operation aspects of the ongoing work** in the eSafety Forum
- The ICWG will identify issues which need to be solved at international level, in order to ensure the implementation of **the recommendations coming from the eSafety Working Groups** and will aim at developing **detailed recommendations.**
- For this purpose, the ICWG will organise **International Workshops, Expert Meetings and fact finding visits/tours.**
- The ICWG **will aim at reaching consensus** amongst its members on discussed issues, and to produce specific, detailed recommendations for the eSafety Forum Plenary
- For achieving its objectives the ICWG will work **in very close co-operation** with the other eSafety Forum Working Groups.



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Membership

- The ICWG will be a **European Group**. It will draw its membership from the eSafety Forum.
- The membership of the ICWG will be set up **by the selected co-chairs**, who will ensure that the relevant expertise and all stakeholders will be present to in the group. The target number of participants is 15-20.
- The Chairs and Co-chairs of the eSafety Forum Working Groups are especially encouraged to join the ICWG.
- All members who join are expected to share the general objectives of the ICWG, and to be willing to actively contribute to its work.



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Organisation of the Work

- The ICWG will be **co-chaired** by the representatives of the EC and a MS. The co-chairs will be nominated by the Steering Group. The ICWG is expected to meet three to four times per year.
- Other regions are **encouraged to establish similar regional groups**
- **The ICWG will contribute to the setting up of International Workshops** on selected topics.
- The ICWG will also organise Expert **Meetings and fact finding visits/tours**, as necessary.
- The ICWG meetings will normally take place **in Brussels..**
- The ICWG Chairs will hold **global eSafety Chairs' meetings** to plan for the future domains of co-operation and the coming work programme.
- The ICWG will establish relations with other bodies. Extra care needs to be taken in order to ensure proper interface with the work on Global Technical Regulations (**UN/ECE**) and **standardisation (ISO, CEN, ETSI)**.



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ICWG Topics 2007-2008

Topics to be addressed 2007

1. Cooperative Systems (Benchmark)

- two workshops already organised
- huge international interest
- Applications Architecture WS: Aalborg 23 June, 2007
- 3rd International WS on Vehicle Communications: Beijing Oct 13

2. HMI and Nomadic Systems

- European renewed ESoP
- huge international interest
- An international Special Session at the Beijing ITS World Congress
- Issue of Nomadic devices has to be solved

Potential topics to be addressed 2008

- 1. RTD in ADAS (First WS planned 2007)**
- 2. Energy Efficiency**
- 3. Security and Privacy**
- 4. Code of Conduct and liability**
- 5. Cost/Benefit of eSafety Systems**



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Draft Calendar 2007-2008

First Meeting of the new ICWG:	Brussels, July 2007
Information sent to international partners:	July 2007
3rd Int. WS on Vehicle Communications:	Beijing Oct 13, 2007
1st Working Meeting – all Members: (Following the Implementation WS)	Brussels, 14 Nov 2007
2nd Working Meeting – all Members:	Brussels, Febr 2008
First ICWG report with recommendations:	1st QR 2008
Int. WS on HMI and Nomadic Systems:	May 2008
1st Meeting of the ICWG chairs:	New York, Oct 2008
2nd ICWG report with recommendations:	4th QR 2008



***Thank you
for your attention***

