

Meeting: 1st eScope Observer Group meeting 28 September 2004

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1 Agenda

- 11.00 – 11.05 **Welcome**
- 11.05 – 11.30 **Update on the European eSafety Activities – by Mr Juhani Jaaskelainen, European Commission**
- 11.30 – 11.45 **eCall - by Mr Michael Nielsen, ERTICO**
- 11.45 – 12.15 **Presentation of eScope and the Observer Group – by Mr Jacob Bangsgaard, ERTICO**
- 12.15 – 12.30 **GST - by Mr Peter van der Perre, ERTICO**
- 12.30 – 12.45 **Cooperative Systems, by Mr Paul Kompfner, ERTICO**
- 12:45 **Lunch**
- 13:45 – 15.30 **Presentation of national eSafety activities**
- **Austria**
 - **Germany**
 - **Finland**
 - **Sweden**
 - **Czech Republic**
- 15:30 **End of meeting**

2 Welcome

- Jacob Bangsgaard welcomed all participants to this meeting and gave a brief description of the role of eScope. He pointed out the range of activities launched from the eSafety Forum. Mr Bangsgaard emphasised that Public Authorities should be more integrated into these activities. In fact he considers each observer as a main stakeholder which can play an important role to eScope by disseminating any information about the role of ITS in road safety in each country.

3 eSafety activities

- Juhani Jaaskelainen presented the building blocks of eSafety in 2004. The core group is the eSafety Forum that represents 125 members. This number has increased after the High Level Meeting of 27th September 2004.
- eScope is now getting more and more important for disseminating any information about eSafety, the website is now constantly growing.

High Level Meeting.

- The High Level Meeting was a great success, many member states were represented.
- The goal of the meeting was to get support to the proposed next steps in the eSafety initiative and more specifically the working groups for eCall, RTTI and HMI.
- **ECall:** eCall can save lives, and should therefore be implemented European wide. The eCall driving group has elaborated a Memorandum of Understanding in order to collect all key stakeholders commitment. So far 17 stakeholders have signed and many more are in the process of signing.
- **RTTI:** The role of this working group is to identify and remove all obstacles for the use of RTTI services. RDS/TMC is a basic level of information service. Unfortunately this service is not available to the whole public and the data collection is maybe not used successfully. One of the main recommendation presented by the working group is that the private and public sector should work together to have a standardise service. The recommendations of the RRTI WG were generally supported.
- **HMI:** The problems of bringing nomadic systems into the vehicles were presented.
- **Other working groups**
 - Implementation Road map
 - Research and Technological Development (RTD)
 - Accident Causation Analysis
 - Heavy Duty Vehicles
 - Users Outreach
 - International Cooperation

Next steps of eSafety

- By the end of 2004 the Commission will propose a mechanism to continue the eSafety effort. The role of the eSafety Steering Committee will be enforced and assisted by an eSafety office.
- The Commission is planning to organise a High Level Meeting with the industry in order to collect more involvement.
- A second communication is under preparation
- Cooperative systems will be an important issue in the IST 4th call for proposal.

4 eCall

eCall is a common European solution that can quickly and reliably ensure that a manual or automatic emergency call reaches a service centre and ultimately results in the efficient dispatch of assistance. The E-MERGE project objective was to ensure the availability and functioning of the system.

Today systems already exist on the market but the introduction of a European wide service is difficult. Prototypes have been developed and tested in five member states. The eCall driving group has investigated the fastest way to introduce eCall in all member states. So far 17 stakeholders have signed the Memorandum of Understanding, and many others are in the process of signing.

5 eScope – eSafety Observatory

- The project started in January 2004 with the main role to support the eSafety activities and new initiatives.
- eScope is following the progress of the 28 recommendations. A table has been produced and can be accessed through the eScope website (www.escope.info).
- The website is a platform for dissemination of information where you also can subscribe to eSafety news.
- eScope is expecting information from all observers on eSafety activities/initiatives in the member states. This is important as the information should be updated and accurate.
- eScope will be present with the European Commission in the Global eSafety stand during the ITS World Congress in Nagoya, Japan.

6 GST

- The goal of GST is to create an open and standardised framework architecture for end-to-end telematics. The openness relates to the existence of common mechanisms for the removal, updating and installation of new services and applications. Standards are necessary for the key interfaces allowing to hide the complexity and heterogeneousness of the supporting technologies.
- Benefits of GST: solution to life circle problem, public & private sector will have the same benefits, such a common architecture can be used for all services like eCall.

7 Cooperative Systems

Paul Kompfner presented the ERTICO coordinated proposal “Cooperative Systems” which will be submitted to IST for the 04th call. This call should be published in December 2004. This IP will have great importance as it will combine intelligent technologies and infrastructure. This cooperation will need all eSafety key stakeholders and in particular National Authorities.

8 National eSafety activities

The presentations from the eScope Observers can be found on www.escope.info

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9 Conclusions

- eScope needs to have an objective view on the eSafety process and should assist all eSafety stakeholders.
- Realistic targets should be set both on national and European level and the needed effort should be investigated.
- eScope should help to collect and analyse outcome and define new targets and new dissemination messages.
- The 28 recommendations should be monitored on the website and the status and commitment should be evaluated. National activities should be better monitored.
- Standardisation issues should be addressed in the eSafety work (only partly addressed through standardisation fora and through projects like GST – open platforms).
- Obstacles should be observed by eScope and measures to overcome obstacles should be proposed. This is also done within some WGs
- ✓ eScope should make a thorough presentation of its findings at the eSafety plenary planned for March 2005.
- ✓ The Member States should be more actively involved through the eScope Observers. National data will be collected in the coming months with help from the Observers.

10 Next Steps

- ✓ Next eScope Observers meeting will take place in the spring 2005. Date and place of the meeting will be decided in the coming month.