



The European Union Road Federation (ERF)

The European Road Infrastructure Safety Directive 2008/96/EC

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WHO ARE WE ?

- **Non-profit organisation**
- **Funded in 1998**
- **Platform of dialogue and research**
- **Road Transport and Mobility issues**

The ERF Members

- **Stakeholders in road infrastructure**
 - National Road and Users' Associations
 - Industry
 - Research Centres
- **52 Members**

The ERF Activities (1)

3 dedicated programmes

1. Road Safety
2. Sustainability
3. Intelligent Roads and Financing

The ERF Activities (2)

3 main lines of action

1. Policy
2. Research
3. Working Groups

The ERF Activities (3)

POLICY

- a) **European Policy (Directives, standardisation...)**
- b) **Position Papers**
- c) **Conferences and events (EP, Europe...)**
- d) **Debates, Forums...**
- e) **Dissemination (statistics, publications, Website...)**

The ERF Activities (4)

RESEARCH

Participation to EC co-funded projects

1. Safety (Whiteroads, Rosa, Rainvision...)
2. Sustainability (QUIESST)
3. ITS (Scutum, FOTsis...)

The ERF Activities (5)

WORKING GROUPS

1. Road Safety:

- Road Markings and Signs
- Road Restraint Systems
- Work Zone Safety

2. Sustainability:

- Sustainable Roads
- Noise

3. ITS and Financing:

- Road Asset Management

The ERF Activities (6)

RELATED GROUPS & FORA

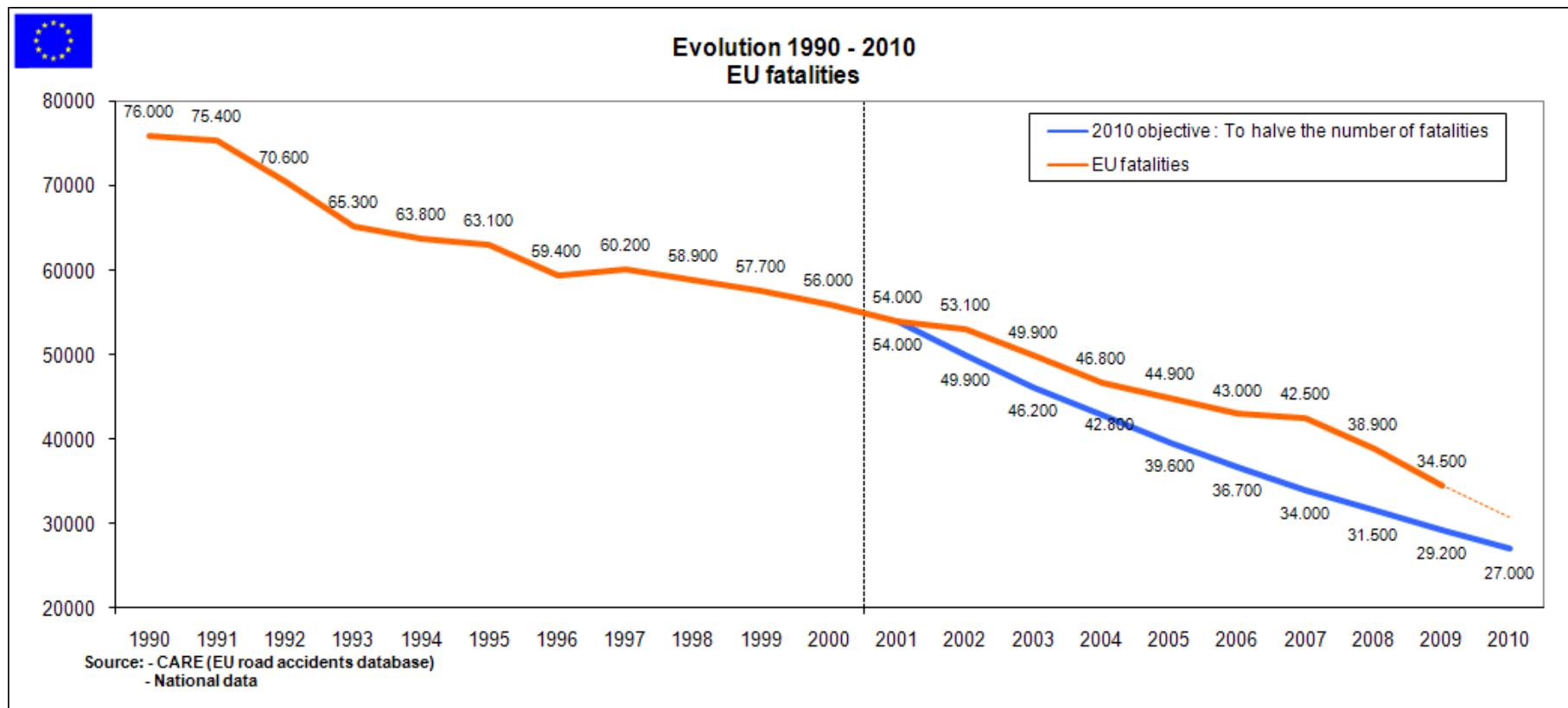
- ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE SAFETY FORUM
- EUROPEAN NOISE BARRIER FEDERATION (ENBF)
- EUROPEAN NATIONAL ROAD ASSOCIATIONS FORUM (ENRA)

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BACKGROUND

- **Road Safety Action Programme 2001-2010**
 - **White Paper on Transport (2001)**
 - **Objectives:**
 - 50% reduction of road fatalities (from 54000 to 27000)
 - shared responsibility (Authorities, companies, users)
 - integrated approach (vehicle, driver, infrastructure)

THE RESULTS



WHY ?

- **Very general objectives**
- **Huge differences between countries (EU 15 / EU 27)**
- **No tailor-made plan**
- **No continuous monitoring**
- **Data collection needs to be refined**

NEW RSAP

• Road Safety Action Programme 2011-2020

Sets new priorities:

- Vulnerable road users
- Ageing population
- Rural roads (> 50 % of fatalities)
- Role of ITS

BUT

- No tailor-made plan
- No regular monitoring
- ...

THE 2008/96/EC DIRECTIVE

- **Role of the Road Infrastructure**
- **Importance of the TERN**
- **Tools and procedures**
 - RS impact assessments
 - RS Inspections
 - RS audits
 - Guidelines
 - Exchange of Best Practices
- **Research and targeted investments**

DEPLOYMENT (1)

- **Transposed in national legislation (19/11/2010)**
- **Applies to TERN & EU financed roads**
- **Other roads (MS provisions)**
- **Examples:**
 - **I, B (W/FL), F, LV, NL, P, E, S, RO**
 - **later translation (CZ, PL, EST)**
 - **BG ?**

DEPLOYMENT (2)

- **Countries with extended scope (other roads than TERN):**
 - **Mandatory (I by 2016 and 2021)**
 - **Voluntary (S)**
- **Only to TERN**
 - **E, P**
- **BG ?**

CONCLUSIONS

- **Very effective and useful Directive**

BUT

- **Differences:**

- **Countries**
- **Scope**
- **Timing**

- **Issues:**

- **e.g. Independence of road auditors**



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION



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