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Road Safety in the Danube region with focus on Strategy and Policy making for safer roads

Ministry of Communications and Transport of B&H is authorized for elaboration of legal regulative that regulates the area of road safety.
Parliamentary Assembly of B&H

at the Proposal of MCT of B&H

✓ **B&H Law on Road Safety Basis (2006)**

Bodies of B&H, bodies of cantons and B&H Brčko District, as well as bodies of local self-government and local government in cities and municipalities competent for the implementation of the Law.
Vision
To reach full efficiency of transport services for citizens and economy, economic and social increase and development of Bosnia and Herzegovina by economic and efficient traffic system, exploiting benefit of every type of transport by the lowest costs and high level of safety and quality of services.
Main principles
“Safety above all”
Traffic safety should become top priority in order to reduce the large number of traffic accidents, particularly in the road subsector, and relatively high social costs incurred as a result of traffic accidents.
Commitments
The Traffic Sector should contribute to improving life standard by achieving the following goal: “Promoting sustainable social and economic development”.
Governments of RS, FBIH and Brčko District of BiH will implement the strategy for the development of the Road safety management system which will provide manageable and sustainable results.

All levels of government will give priority to the following measures:
- Improve high risk accident sections,
- Roads and tunnels safety inspection (extended to the whole network of main roads, and the whole network of regional roads),
- Road safety impact assessment as a necessary precondition for periodic maintenance, reconstruction and recovery of main roads.
The Framework Transport Strategy in Bosnia and Herzegovina (2016-2030), as well as The Action plans for the implementation thereof were adopted by the Council of Ministers of B&H.

- Bosnia and Herzegovina does not have an adopted strategy for road traffic safety, which represents a relevant issue considering that the number of accidents is significantly higher than EU average.

In order to satisfy safety requirements and decrease the number of accidents in road traffic, main issues and needs are:

- Drafting a Road Safety Strategy,
- Road Safety Audits and Road Safety Inspections.
Specific goals that should be achieved through Framework Transport Strategy are:

- Decreasing number of road accidents (Alignment with EU policies for road safety, Adoption of Road Safety Inspection (RSI), guidelines),
- Improvement and development of magistral and regional roads and removing road low speed bottlenecks (Adoption of maintenance Plan for 2016-2020 for the entire Core Network).
Ministry of Communications and Transport of B&H elaborates Strategy.
Road Safety Council-opinion.
Strategy is adopted by Parliamentary Assembly of B&H (five years period).
Action Plan for implementation of Strategy is adopted by Council of Ministers of B&H and governments of entities and B&H Brčko District.
Scope of work of the BiH Road Safety Council:

- Participates in preparation of policies, strategic, plan and program documents,
- Monitors and evaluates situation in the area of road safety,
- Proposes measures and activities necessary for improvement of road safety.

Council consists of 12 members, and five of them are experts in the area of road safety. **Final activities on nomination of Road safety Council members are underway.**
RS Road Safety Law (2011)
Defines road safety management, and establishment, work and competencies of Road safety Council of RS.
RS Road Safety Council, advisory body of the Government of RS
Tasks of the Council are:
- To consider issues in the area of road safety,
- To propose measures for the road safety improvement,
- To express opinions on strategic documents.
ROAD SAFETY STRATEGY (REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA)

National Assembly of RS-2013
Republic of Srpska Road Safety Strategy 2013-2022

Government of the Republic of Srpska-2014
RS Road Safety Program 2014-2018
Final objectives:

- Reduce the number of fatalities on the roads in the Republika Srpska by 50% until 2022, as compared to the number of fatalities recorded in 2011,
- Reduce overall social and economic costs incurred as the result of road crashes by around BAM 582 million over the next ten 10 years.

Operational objective:

- Improving road safety.
The Rulebook on the identification of dangerous spots, the manner and criteria for setting up priorities in removing dangerous spots and the procedure for removing dangerous spots (2014).

The Rulebook regarding Road Safety Audit and Road Safety Inspection as well as implementation guidelines adopted.

Plan and Programme for Road Safety Auditor and Inspector Training (In Press). The Plan and Programme give a more detailed plan of basic and additional training for RS auditors and inspectors as well as plan of workshops or regional roundtables for exchanges of best practices.
RECENT ROAD SAFETY DEVELOPMENTS

Memorandum of understanding between United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and Ministry of Communications and Transport of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Road Safety Strategy and Action Plan for period 2019-2023).

B&H Development of traffic accident database within the Ministry of Communications and Transport (financing by European Bank for Reconstruction and Development).

- Introduce the amendments to improve data quality, including a review of variable definitions, in line with CADaS system.
- Collect the data from in accordance with CADAS structure and to contribute progressively to the harmonisation with IRTAD and CARE databases.
Establishment of Road Safety Unit and related RSA procedures within the Ministry of Communications and Transport of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (financing by European Bank for Reconstruction and Development).
The preparation of a strategic document is just one of the life cycle stages of an observed area which needs to be improved. The adoption of a strategic document is the stage which attracts the most attention and to which the most importance is given.

Actually, the greatest executive power success should be reflected in the proper implementation of a strategy, on which further progress in a given area depends.

The adoption of a strategy is just one of the preconditions for further development in a given area.

It is more important to properly implement a single strategic objective than to adopt hundred strategies which will not be monitored and implemented properly.

Management and coordination of the strategy implementation, as well as proper and substantive reporting are key activities.
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