

# The 1958 Agreement: 50 Years of Existence

Experience and Prospects

The Point of View of the Auto Industry

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# 50 years under WP29

- **WP29, i.e.:**
  - 🌐 **58 Agreement**
  - 🌐 **98 Agreement**

} → **very important for Auto Industry worldwide**
- **58 Agreement indispensable certification tool for 98 Agreement**

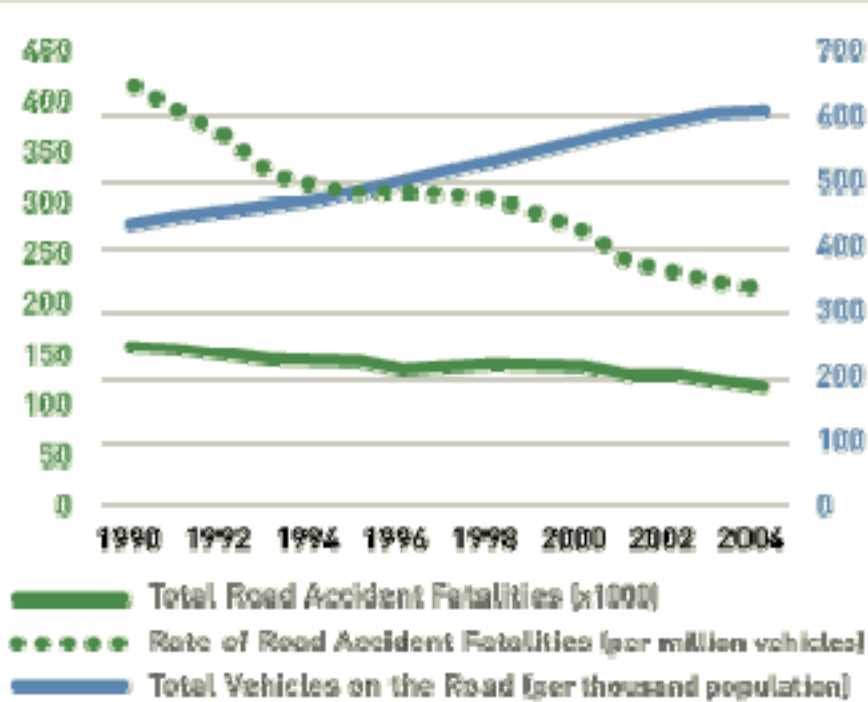
# Evolution to a Global Forum

- **OICA participation in WP29: since 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in 1953!**
  - **9 governments**
  - **5 NGO's**
- **WP29 evolved from European focus towards global worldwide forum**
- **OICA created in 1919**
  - ✓ **40 manufacturer associations worldwide**
  - ✓ **Global voice of the auto industry internationally**

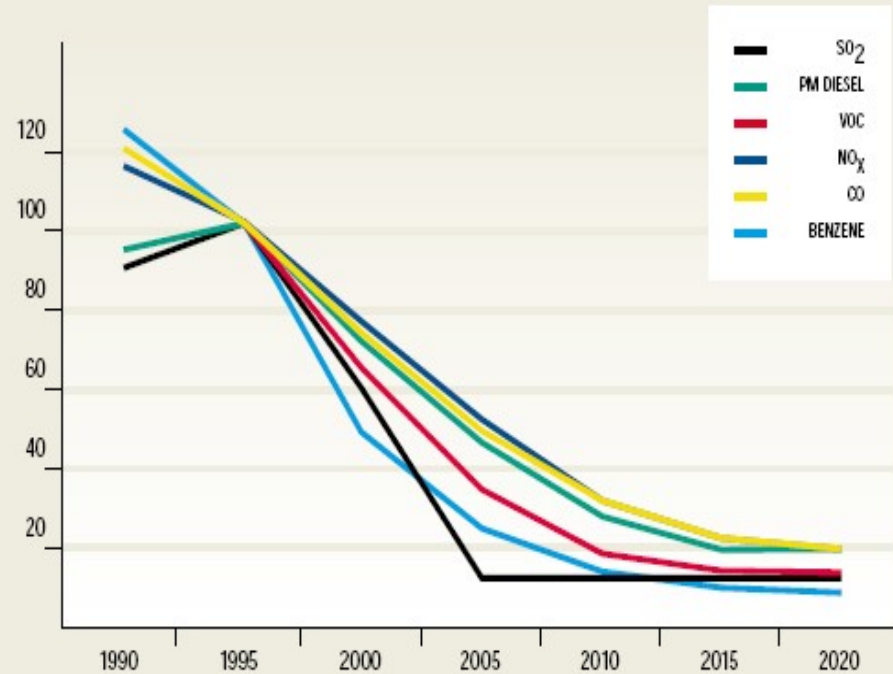
# Customer of WP29

- **The product industry buys:**
  - **International certification**
  - **Approved once, accepted (almost) everywhere**
- **1958 Agreement = essential tool**
  - ✓ **Maximize harmonization opportunities**
  - ✓ **Limit number of legal technical constraints**
  - ✓ **Frees necessary resources for the consumer**

## Trends in Road Safety 1990-2004



## Road transport emissions in the EU – Index, 1995 = 100



SOURCE: AUTO OIL II TRANSPORT BASE CASE / AUGUST 1999

- ✓ **Much safer**
- ✓ **Much cleaner**
- ✓ **Much quieter**
- **Improvements in real world safety**
- **Improvements in air quality**

# New challenges

- **Increasing globalization**
  
- **Emergence of new economies:**
  - ✓ **Increasing number of vehicles**
  - ✓ **New safety / environmental challenges**
  
- **Future vehicles:**
  - ✓ **Advances in active and passive safety**
  - ✓ **Very low or even zero emissions**
  - ✓ **Very low or even zero CO<sub>2</sub>**

# How to meet the challenges?

- **Vehicle alone cannot solve everything**
- **Need cost-efficient approach:**
  - ✓ **The vehicle**
  - ✓ **The road**
  - ✓ **The driver**
  - ✓ **The fuels**
- **Need to address existing fleet:**
  - ✓ **Long lifetime**
  - ✓ **Do not impede quick replacement**

# Quick and easy results

- **Road infrastructure:**
  - ✓ **Black spots elimination**
  - ✓ **Development**
  
- **Traffic management**
  
- **Road users:**
  - ✓ **Responsible driving**
  - ✓ **Road traffic rules**

# Manufacturers' constraints

- **Even more severe requirements:**

**Safety**  **Environment**

**Potential contradictions**

- **Need time for development**

- **Need policy environment that is:**

- ✓ **Stable**
- ✓ **Predictable**

# Fiscal policies

- **Excessive costs**



**No replacement of older vehicle**



**Detrimental to environment / safety**

- **Courageous fiscal policies may be needed**



# The future of the 58 Agreement

- **New players entail new challenges**
- **These challenges need approach that is:**
  - ✓ **Coherent**
  - ✓ **Pragmatic**
  - ✓ **Integrated**
  - ✓ **International**
- **WP29 most appropriate and most international forum**
- **Maximum of countries**
- ✓ **Participate in WP29**
- ✓ **Adhere to 1958 Agreement**

**Thank you  
for  
your attention**