



# Road Safety Institute “Panos Mylonas”

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***SCOUTING FOR GLOBAL ROAD SAFETY  
ACTIONS FOR YOUTH***

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# The beginning

The **Hellenic Research and Educational Institute for the Road Safety and the Prevention and Reduction of Traffic Accidents, "Panos Mylonas"** was founded on May 12th 2005 after the tragic and unfair loss of the 22 year old University student of Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering, Panos Mylonas.

It is a non-for-profit Organization founded by:

- University Institutions
- Private Entities
- an Audit Company
- and individuals that were soon embraced by a large number of agencies and volunteers



# Strategic Pillars & Activity Areas

## 1. General Policy on Road Safety

Coordination of work among stakeholders, systematic registration, analysis of data and evaluation of road safety measures

## 2. Driver's behaviour

Education & Information to improve driver compliance with laws, better protection of vulnerable users, campaigning nationwide

## 3. Infrastructure

Implementation of international best practices and treatment of high risk sites





# "Scouting for Global Road Safety" 14<sup>th</sup> CANADIAN MOOT 2013

## World Scout Moot

- Event for Rover Scouts, ages **18–26** from all over the world
- Held every four years
- Organized by the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM).

## RSI "Panos Mylonas" in collaboration with

- Scouting Ireland
- Greek Scouts (Soma Hellinon Proskopon)
- under the Auspices of **UNECE** and **WOSM**

organized for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time in global level (after the 22<sup>nd</sup> World Scout Jamboree in Sweden 2011, and the UN 2<sup>nd</sup> Global Road Safety Week in Geneva 2013)

## Road Safety Workshop for young Scouts

## Scope of the project

- To Educate and Sensitize Rover Scouts about Road Safety (Road Traffic crashes - 1<sup>st</sup> cause of death for **ages 15-29**)

# Why scouts?



- They are **committed** to a set of values
- They **learn** by doing
- They **work** in small groups
- They **increase** self governance and volunteerism
- They are **icons** for the society and people of their own age or younger

Scouting is an Educational Youth Movement and the largest youth organisation on the planet with **30 Million members in 161 countries**



# Our activities

## Based on:

European Commission supported Project – AVENUE for Traffic Safety

## Coordinated by:

RSI “Panos Mylonas” in 9 European countries

## Creating:

NESTs (Networks & Education for Safety in Traffic)  
European, National, Local, Mobile



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Welcoming the participants and discussing about their road safety experience from their countries



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# Collision Weight Scale





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## Introducing our multitasking activity





Use of  
Alco-vision  
goggles to  
simulate  
DUI alcohol





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Active discussion with the participants on the situation  
in their countries and their own real-life experiences



## Role playing Scenarios selected by young Scouts





# Answering the questionnaires





## Our team

RSI members, Scouts of Ireland, Greek Scouts



# Research for the UN Convention on Pedestrians' safety



- **300** people attended our workshop in Global Development Village (GDV)
- The average age was **21,3** years old.
- **54,6%** of them were men and **44,5%** women
- **81** Countries of origin, such as:  
Greece, Sweden, Germany, Italy, Portugal, France, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Austria, Luxembourg, Liechtenstein, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, USA, Canada, Egypt, Oman, Tunisia, Lebanon, India, South Africa, Nigeria, Australia...



# Results (1/3)

- **85,7%** of the participants think it is more important to give emphasis on the **Education of the Youth in Road Safety issues**
- **78%** consider that it is **crucial for the Official Regulatory Institutions to focus more on education and promote campaigns on road safety** in order to sensitize the society on vulnerable groups of the road
- **68,1%** consider it is useful to **implement campaigns on public media regarding Road Safety**.  
**7,6% disagree** with this statement
- **68%** agree that Non Governmental Institutions should cooperate with Governmental Organizations on Road Safety in order to **improve the current system** and safeguard the pedestrians
- **55,5%** consider it is important to implement **changes in regulations** concerning the pedestrians. Though **43,7% disagree** with this statement



## Results (2/3) Rover scouts' proposals

- **18,9%** believe that we should build **different level crossings (bridges/tunnels)** to safeguard the pedestrians
- **13,63%** suggest the **implementation of educational programs** for all ages and to all road users
- **9,8%** support the **creation of exclusive pedestrian zones**
- **8.3%** suggest to built **fences and barriers** to separate groups of road users among them (eg. Pedestrians from vehicles, pedestrians from cyclists etc)



## Results (3/3) Rover scouts' proposals

- **7,57%** ask for the **regulations to be more tight** and the punishments more **severe**
- **3%** believe that we should **build more sidewalks** and make them bigger and with more green
- **3%** support the **improvement of the public transport system**
- **1,51%** suggest the usage of **reflecting jackets** at night
- The rest stated :
  - “Put **more pressure** on Governments to implement what is already there”
  - “Don’t know, cannot answer” (showing **lack of deeper knowledge** on the issue)





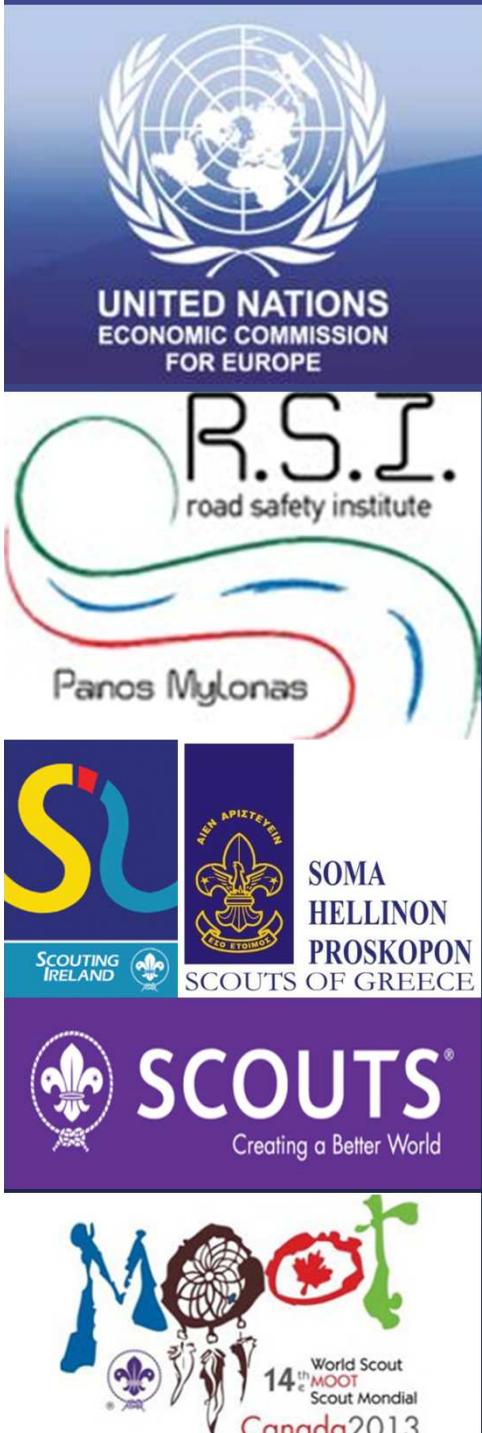
# Statements for problems in their countries (1/3)

- **Canada:** They do not take the law seriously. The cyclists do not respect the Highway Code
- **Denmark:** Speeding
- **Brazil:** Almost no education on road safety and speeding. Also driving under the influence of alcohol. Corrupted system that favors irresponsible drivers
- **Argentina:** Speeding
- **Switzerland:** Older people overestimate their ability to drive. Driving under the influence of alcohol
- **Luxembourg:** Overestimating abilities, everyday routine
- **Mexico:** Poor traffic education, speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol. No use of seat belts. Aggressive driving. Bad roads. Some traffic lights do not operate at night



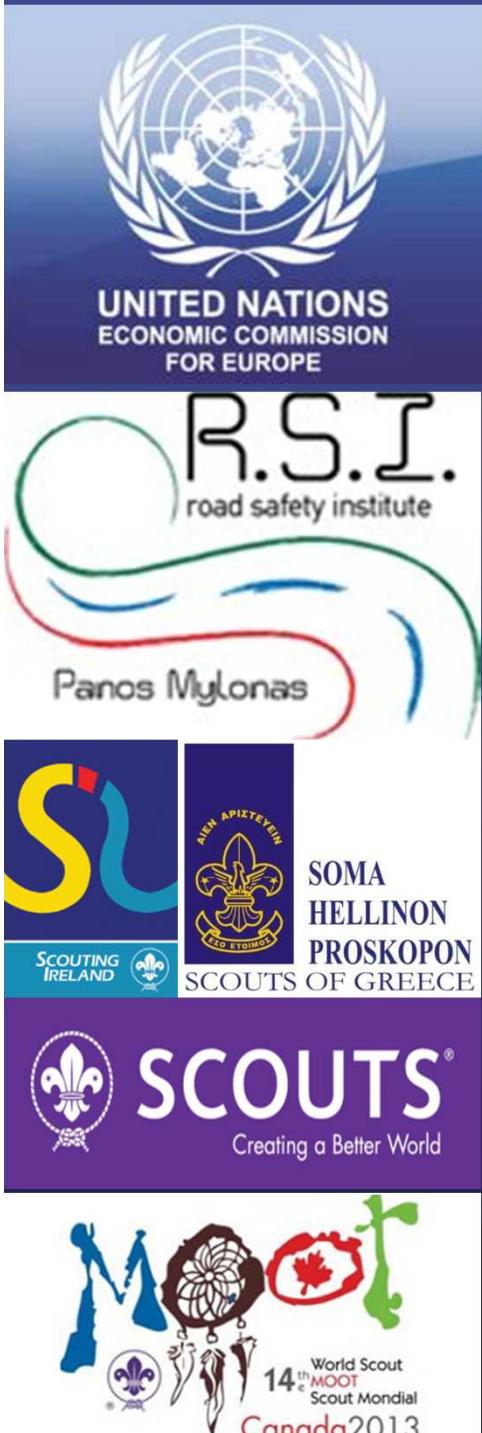
# Statements for problems in their countries (2/3)

- **Taiwan:** Driving under psychological pressure because of the political situation in the country
- **Netherlands:** Traffic problems. Problems of law enforcement organs class
- **UAE:** Excessive Speed
- **Sweden:** Driving under the influence of alcohol. Bad roads in the winter months. Problems because of cyclists not respecting the regulations
- **Italy:** Driving under the influence of alcohol on young people
- **Australia:** Speeding and driving problems due to fauna. They are not accustomed to cyclists
- **Poland:** Driving under the influence of alcohol, speeding



## Statements for problems in their countries (3/3)

- **Oman:** They do not respect the law. Excessive speeding
- **UK:** A large number of car accidents occur by young drivers. Overweight cars and distraction due to noise. Driving under the influence alcohol. Many accidents because of the cyclists
- **Costa Rica:** Unprincipled drivers, driving long distances at night
- **Finland:** Speeding and demonstration
- **France:** They get easily distracted. Not respecting the speed limits



# Statements on the Road Safety Workshop

*"I had never imagined that a workshop for Road Safety could be so interesting, especially for me, that I come from a country with high level of education on road safety"*  
participant from Sweden

*"I wish we had the chance to learn such things in my country as well"* participant from Brazil

*"We would love to cooperate with you and maybe you could train us on what we have to do to cover the gaps in Oman's Road Safety System"* participant from Oman

*"Very interesting and educating, even though I already had excessive training"* participant from Australia

***"It's time we started as Rovers to educate civilians in our country"*** Claude Corbeil, Directeur du Programme Des Jeunes, Scouting Canada

# AVENUE applications during the UN Global Road Safety Week

Decade of Action for Road Safety, 2011 – 2020



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## United Nations Global Road Safety Week

6 May 2013 | Palais des Nations, Geneva | Room V



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## Scouting for Global Road Safety



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