INTERNATIONAL DRIVING PERMIT

PROJECT: PROPOSAL TO THE UN ECE OF AN HARMONIZED, SECURE AND ENHANCED IDP

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- Security & forgery of Domestic and International Driving Permits
- Sale of illegal documents on internet
- Information vacuum for motoring public on IDPs
- Law Enforcement problems
- Confusion on the general public about the IDPs (different IDP formats)
• Present to the delegates the views of:
RESEARCH & ACTIONS TAKEN
In order to find solutions on how to improve the IDP and address those problems, since our last meeting in March FIA/AIT has:

- Consultation with our global automobile associations and federations
- Dialogue with stakeholders
- Detailed research into the technical solutions
- Development of a web information service for the motoring public
- Legal review of the conventions and propose amendments
As you may recall from our last session, findings from the DRIVERS’ perspective:

- Current IDP FORMATS CUMBERSOME (size), flimsy and generally old-fashioned.
- WHY TWO DIFFERENT IDPs?.
- SUSCEPTIBLE TO FORGERY, creating SECURITY AND IDENTITY THEFT RISK.
- ILLEGAL DOCUMENTS sold on the INTERNET MORE “OFFICIAL LOOKING”.
- UNAWARENESS OF ITS IMPORTANCE when driving abroad
- FACE PROBLEMS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
2.1 – Research: Stakeholders’ perception

- Need of enhanced security features: 100%
- Negative customer feedback: 70.58% (Yes), 29.41% (No)
- Valid document for identifying the individual: 52.94% (Yes), 41.17% (No), 5.88% (N/A)
- Improved central communication: 94.11% (Yes), 5.88% (No)
- Assistance requests by the Authorities: 76.47% (Yes), 23.53% (No), 5.88% (N/A)

Authorized issuing associations - 2016
Nowadays, to get any forged DDP and IDP similar to the official ones is as simple as looking for it on the Web.
• IDPs (and DDPs) sold through the Internet:

  ➢ THREAT TO ROAD SAFETY
  ➢ COMPROMISE THE NATIONAL SECURITY

• Forgery networks and illegal websites are mainly used by persons who:

  ➢ Don’t have a domestic driving permit for different reasons (license revoked, traffic violations, failed driving tests)

  ➢ Unaware of the authorized issuing bodies, easier to search on internet.

  ➢ Criminal purposes.
And on the media, unfortunately we are progressively confronted with news like this:
CASE STUDY: IDL application on the website of the International Automobile Association

Step 1: we searched and found a website that sells forged IDP’s
CASE STUDY: IDL application on the website of the International Automobile Association

Step 2: We applied online and purchased document
CASE STUDY: IDL application on the website of the International Automobile Association

Step 3: IDP was delivered

IDP COVER

IDP INSIDE
This is only an example but there are many others:

- Driver a car anywhere in the world!
- Rent car & Buy Insurance
2.3 – Develop of a specific IDP website

FIA / AIT has developed a website to fill in this vacuum.

- Lack of reliable information
- Lot of confusion on IDPs on the Web.
POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS
3 – POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS

• FIA/ AIT solutions to address:

  ➢ Security & forgery of Domestic and International Driving Permits

  ➢ Sale of illegal documents on internet

  ➢ Information vacuum for motoring public

  ➢ Law Enforcement problems

  ➢ Confusion on the general public about the IDPs (different IDP formats)
• Our main recommendations and ideas revolve around the notions of SECURITY and HARMONIZATION of driver permit formats AND this implies amendments to the UN Conventions:

➤ 1968 Convention Annex 6: DDPs should incorporate the significant security features adopted by the European Union in the Directive 2006/126/EC in order to be mutually recognized worldwide.

➤ 1968 Convention Annex 7: IDP format should be a passport format with all the security features implemented in passports as per the ICAO standards applied to travel documents.

➤ Harmonization: the 1949 Convention driver permit formats (DDP & IDP) should be harmonized with those in the 1968 Convention, by amending Annex 9 and Annex 10 of the 1949 Convention to adopt the same characteristics as Annex 6 and Annex 7 of the 1968 Convention.

❖ HARMONIZATION is an important PRIORITY, but SECURITY considerations are PARAMOUNT

❖ Non-Harmonized formats should incorporate the recommended security features in any case.
• 1968 UN Convention amendment proposals: Annex 6 (compared) and Annex 7 (compared)
3.1 - FIA/AIT PROPOSAL: HARMONIZED IDP

Luminescent Logos
under UltraViolet light
EVERY IDP ISSUED IS UNIQUE

How to avoid false IDPs?

Coded Hologram, non detachable

Perforated number
3.2 - IDP Security System

Hologram pasted into the IDP booklet

Scan the code with a normal QR code scanner

Query sent to Security Supplier Database to check validity

Result of query is sent back to the phone, advising if valid or invalid

This feature can be used by Traffic Authorities, Police, Car Rental Companies to ascertain whether a licence/IDP is valid
• CONFRONTED TO COMMUNICATION CHALLENGES NOWADAYS

- Motoring public has moved to the digital world.
- Many illegal and misleading providers exploiting this via of sales of documents with no legal status. Not enough control from the law enforcement or governments
- No credible source of information re driving abroad.

• FIA / AIT SOLUTION:

- Web site with clear information for the general public.
- Specific section for “Official use only”
- It directs if required to the national legal entity authorized to issue an official IDP
- Ongoing update.
3.3 - FIA/AIT IDP website

The AIT/FIA, through its affiliated clubs, duly authorized by their governments as IDP-issuing entities, is a largely and experienced organization in the promotion and distribution of IDPs as part of their commitment to support and defend drivers’ rights and impulse road safety worldwide.

Planning to drive abroad?

WHY CARRY AN IDP

How to apply for an IDP?

REALLY EASY

All you need to know

FAQ
IDP requirements by country

The official entity and requirements for issuing an IDP may vary across countries. Please follow the three step process below for information about where to apply in your specific case:

1) Select the country of your valid driving license was issued.
2) Click on the country to see all information below of map
3) Select the foreign country where you plan to drive:

Select Country:
3.3 - FIA/AIT IDP website

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DEMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Devices

60,582 Impressions

Gender

45.72% of total sessions

Age

44.92% of total sessions

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3.4 - IDP Pilot

- Worldwide implementation of the new harmonized IDP should start with a Pilot Test at a national level.

- Identified Contracting Party to the 1968 Convention willing to do so: the United Arab Emirates (UAE)
  - Check the viability of our proposal with the “real world”
  - Launch of the Pilot: 1 February 2017
  - Present its benefits to other Contracting Parties in the last WP 1 session of 2017

- Endorsement to this proposal by the WP 1
CONCLUSIONS
Our proposal presents a measured evolution of the IDP to address the issues that have evolved since the last convention in 1968.

The website offers a prompt start to assist the motoring public with the information he/she needs when planning to drive abroad.

The pilot in the United Arab Emirates offers the opportunity to test the concept for an improved IDP and provide this WP the evidence and data needed to make an informed decision in 2017.