

### 2nd Meeting of the TEM and TER Joint Rail and Road Follow-up Expert Group

# Traffic safety actions taken at national level in Poland

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- 2. Why they are so important?
- 3. Actions taken already
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#### **Conclusions addressed to the Minister of Transport**

Development of the Polish Road Safety Strategy for 2014-2020

Implementation of the principle: the elements of traffic safety have absolute top priority

Creation of a National Road Safety Observatory



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Year	Costs (mIn EUR)	accidents		fatalities		injured	
			difference		difference		difference
2007	60	10 536	xxx	2 024	xxx	14 944	xxx
2008	71	9 652	-884	1 901	-123	13 304	-1 640
2009	21	8 589	-1 063	1 461	-440	11 955	-1 349
2010	52	8 906	317	1 416	-45	11 263	-692
2011	33	9 455	549	1 544	<u>128</u>	12 491	1228

#### **Important factors**

- National roads network counts approx. 38% fatalities of all the people killed in road accidents in Poland
- The proper road infrastructure gives 60% chance of success in protecting lives and health of road users
- 95% of Polish drivers treat themselves as best drivers!



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"GAMBIT "

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"Roads of Trust"

Strategic programs to protect life and health of the road users 2007 - 2013

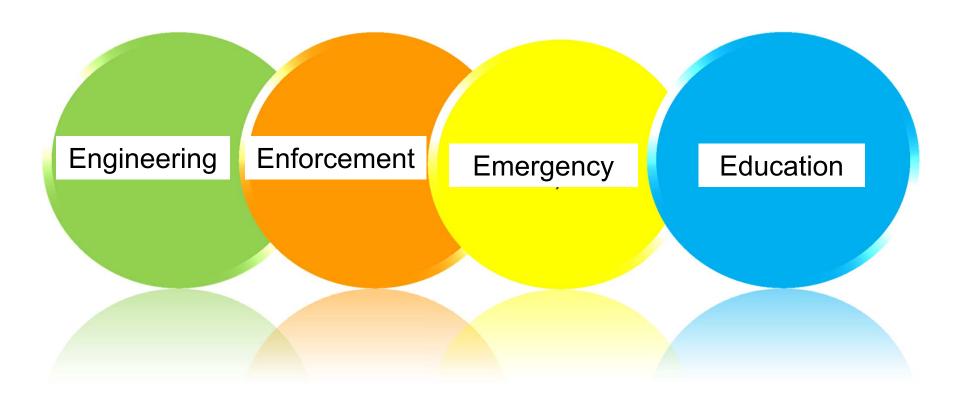
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"point by point"

was replaced by the actions taken for

"long sections"

#### 4 E strategy



#### SAFE INFRASTRUCTURE

Engineering

- safety audits done for new projected and constructed roads
- safety inspections on existing roads
- physical separation of pedestrians from road traffic
- reconstruction of the intersectrions
- construction of safety bariers
- implementation of 2+1 crossection

#### **MANAGEMENT AND ENFORCEMENT**

Enforcement

- speed management
- traffic management

### CO-OPERATION WITH EMERGENCY SERVICES

**Emergency** 

- commons practices with the emerency services
- construction of the E-call system

#### SAFE BEHAVIOURS PROMOTION



- raising mutual trust
- full information about the plans, actions and their effects
- acceptance of the society
- change of the drivers behaviour

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## Priority for the tasks having the highest potential on reducing of fatalities

Traffic limitations – where necessary only

No more solutions which could surprised the driver

Investing 2,5 billion EUR over next 5 years in safety equals savings of 25 billion EUR for the Polish economy

Saving lives also makes financial sense!

# Anank you for your attention!

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