

## Road Safety Workshop for Anglophone Africa

13-15 December 2016, Nairobi

### SPEAKERS' BIOS

**9:30 – 10:30 – Opening Remarks Moderated by Mr. Jean TODT, United Nations Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Road Safety**

Speakers:

- **Mr. Jean Todt**, United Nations Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Road Safety
- **Mr. Francis Meja**, Director General, National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA), Kenya
- **Mr. Fred Wegman**, Chair, International Traffic Safety Data and Analysis Group (IRTAD)
- **Mr. Andre Dzikus**, Coordinator, Urban Basic Services Branch, UN-Habitat
- **Mr. Irungu Nyakera**, Principal Secretary, State Department of Transport, Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing and Urban Development, Kenya

#### **Mr. Jean TODT, United Nations Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Road Safety**



On 29 April 2015, the United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon appointed Jean Todt as his Special Envoy for Road Safety.

Jean Todt is President of the FIA (Fédération Internationale de L'Automobile) - the governing body for world motor sport and the federation of the world's motoring organizations. The federation works across two key interlinked areas of activity – Sport and Mobility. In the realm of Mobility, the FIA aims to ensure that safe, affordable and clean systems of transport are available to all. He was elected to the position in October 2009 and re-elected in December 2013. He made road safety a priority of the federation through the FIA Action for Road Safety campaign, launched in 2011 in support of the UN Decade of Action for Road Safety. The campaign is based on global advocacy for road safety, supporting action on the ground by its 250 member clubs in nearly 150

countries, building institutional and commercial partnerships as well as mobilising the motor sport community to promote road safety.

#### **Mr. Francis MEJA, Director General, National Transport and Safety Agency Authority (NTSA), Kenya**



Mr. Francis Meja is currently the Director General, National Transport and Safety Authority which is the regulator for Transport and Safety in Kenya. He holds a Masters Degree in Strategic Management and Bachelors Degree in Arts. Mr. Meja is a career banker having worked in the banking industry for a period of 15 years.

Joined the Government in 2010 as the Registrar of Motor Vehicles, where he played a key role in the formation of National Transport and Safety Authority. National Transport and Safety Authority has achieved the following since its formation:

- Reduction of road fatalities.
- Automation of key processes by implementation of Transport Integrated Management System

- Raising awareness in Kenya on Road Safety and partnering in the private sector to participate
- Bringing on Board Development Partners such as World Bank to finance some key ICT Infrastructural projects among others.

**Mr. Fred WEGMAN, Chair, International Traffic Safety Data and Analysis Group (IRTAD)**



Mr. Fred Wegman gained an MSc Civil Engineering, traffic engineering from Delft University of Technology in November 1972. From 1974-1977 he was a traffic engineer in the Municipality of Amsterdam. In 1977 he joined SWOV Institute for Road Safety Research and since April 1999 has been its managing director. He is involved with many other organizations and is the author and co-author of numerous publications on road safety. Advancing sustainable safety: road safety in the Netherlands 2005-2020.

In 2005 SWOV published a perspective for the coming 15 years, entitled Advancing Sustainable Safety. This presentation will outline issues that will characterize the next 15 years in road safety and how SWOV believes they

can be approached.

**Mr. Robert LISINGE, Chief, Operational Quality Section, UN Economic Commission for Africa**



Robert Tama Lisinge holds a BSc degree in Civil Engineering, an MSc degree Transportation Engineering, and an MBA. He also holds an MPhil from the Maastricht School of Management in the Netherlands where he is finalizing his doctoral studies. He works with the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) in Addis Ababa as the Chief of the Operational Quality Section of the Strategic Planning and Operational Quality Division. He has also worked with the Infrastructure Section of ECA's Regional Integration Division, undertaking research and advising African Countries and regional organizations on infrastructure policy issues. He has been involved in the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA), the NEPAD Presidential Infrastructure Champion Initiative (PICI), and in developing the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Trans-African

Highways; the African Road Safety Charter; and the African Road Safety Action Plan for 2011-2020. Mr. Lisinge has delivered courses on regional transport development at the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (IDEP) in Dakar, Senegal.

**Mr. Andre DZIKUS, Coordinator, Urban Basic Services Branch  
United Nations Human Settlement Program, UN-HABITAT**



Coordinator of Urban Basic Services Branch at the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UNHABITAT) and based in Kenya, Mr. Dzikus was instrumental in the development of UN-Habitat's Community based Environmental Management Information System which is designed to build partnerships between communities and local governments in providing and managing local environmental infrastructure. He has a strong focus on inclusive and child-centred cities, and on affordable and appropriate technologies and approaches to providing sustainable sanitation solutions for the urban poor.

**Mr. Inguru NYAKERA, Principal Secretary, State Department of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing and Urban Development, Kenya**



Transport Principal Secretary Mr. Irungu Nyakera holds a Master's in Finance and Decision Engineering, and he worked at Citi Group in London after graduating from Stanford University in 2007. He later joined NIC in 2008, then Equity Bank. He was appointed as a Principal Secretary in 2015 and among his responsibilities is the national transport and infrastructure policy management; registration, insurance, and inspection of motor vehicles; and national road safety management.

**Workshop Speakers:**

**Ms. Tawia ADDO-ASHONG, Senior Transport Specialist, World Bank**

Tawia Addo-Ashong is the Pillar Lead for Road Safety in the SSATP. Prior to this, Tawia was the Program Coordinator of the Global Road Facility (GRSF) from 2010, a multi-donor funding facility housed in the World Bank, generating and catalyzing increased funding to support initiatives which committed to the improvement of road safety outcomes globally, but with a focus on low and middle countries which are a majority of the Bank client countries. She is a civil engineer with over 20 years of professional experience in the management, planning, development and supervision of various transport infrastructure projects in developing and developed countries. Her project experience involves a range of activities centered on improving transportation infrastructure as a basis for economic development and poverty alleviation. Before then, she worked for 10 years as a Sr. Transport Specialist in the Bank where she led the preparation and supervision of transport projects in South Asia and Africa. She has been involved with rural, urban and highway projects as well as in promoting road safety activity in World Bank Projects. Prior to joining the World Bank, she worked as a consultant Transport Engineer in Ghana. She holds a Master's Degree in Transport from Imperial College in London and a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana.

**Dr Gladwell GATHECHA, Head, Violence and Injury Prevention Unit, Ministry of Health**

Dr Gladwell Gathecha is the head of the Violence and Injury Prevention Unit at the Ministry of Health in Kenya. She is also the focal person for monitoring and evaluation at the Division of Non Communicable Diseases (NCD) under which the Violence and Injury Prevention Unit falls under. Between 2012-2014, she was part of the National Coordinating Committee for the Bloomberg Philanthropies Global Road Safety Program. Dr Gathecha holds a Bachelor's degree in Dental Surgery and a Master's degree in Applied Epidemiology. She has a vast experience in establishing and implementing surveillance systems and conducting research. She is also involved in mentoring undergraduate and graduate Students in NCD and Injuries prevention and is an advisory member of the Field Epidemiology Society of Kenya. Dr Gathecha is the coordinator for the National NCD and Injuries Poverty commission.

**Mr. Subu KAMAL, Strategic Applications Director, Transport Research Laboratory, United Kingdom**

Subu Kamal has over fifteen years of international experience in crash data systems and is one of the leading, new-generation experts in this subject. He has a bachelor's degree in Computer Science; Master's in Information Systems and now heads Transport Research Laboratory - TRL UK's international crash data products, programs and projects. Subu is also the Strategic Applications Director at TRL, responsible for leading and developing large-scale, information management systems for the road sector.

Subu had led and delivered country-level over 15 crash data system projects of various sizes and scope all across the world covering Asia, Africa, Middle East and the UK.

Subu is an invited speaker on international conferences on data systems and is one of the contributing experts of the “Best Practice Manual on Implementing Crash Data Systems” by World Health Organisation. Subu is an associate member of the Association of Transportation Safety Information Professionals (ATSIP), USA. He has travelled extensively and has deep knowledge of accident data systems & processes of several countries. These countries include India, South Africa, Kenya, Tanzania, Ghana, Mozambique, United Kingdom, the Middle East (Oman, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Kuwait), Australia and United States. Subu is also the representative of TRL at the United Nations Road Safety Council (UNRSC), Geneva.

**Dr Meleckidzedeck KHAYESI, Technical Officer, World Health Organization**

Dr Meleckidzedeck Khayesi was born in Vihiga District, Kenya. He is a human geographer with a Bachelor of Education degree (1988), a Master of Arts Degree in Geography (1992) and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Transport Geography (1999). The three degrees were done at Kenyatta University, Nairobi, Kenya. He has extensive research experience in road safety and transport. Dr Khayesi joined the Department for Management of Non-Communicable Diseases, Disability, Violence and Injury Prevention (NVI) in March 2002, after being a lecturer at Kenyatta University for 11 years. He facilitates development, implementation and evaluation of road safety programmes in countries and road safety capacity development.

**Mr. Duncan KIBOGONG, Head, Road Safety Strategies and County Coordination, National Transport and Safety Authority, Kenya**

Dr Duncan K Kibogong is the Deputy Director and the Head of Safety Strategies and County Coordination Department in NTSA since January 2015. Previously he worked in road Safety programmes at the World Health Organization (WHO) for over five years. Dr Kibogong is a holder of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor Surgery (MB, ChB) from University of Nairobi and holder of Master of Public Health (MPH). He is a graduate candidate of Master of Science in Strategic Management (MSc Strategic Management) from JKUAT. He has extensive training in road transport and road safety from a number of international organizations. He has Post Graduate Course Certification in Road Safety from the International Road Safety Institute based at Delft University of Technology's Department of Transport & Planning in The Netherlands. He is also certification on Road Traffic Injury Prevention and Control in Low and Middle Income Countries from Johns Hopkins University, USA. He has a certification on International Course on Transport Planning and Safety from Indian Institute of Technology, Transport Research and Injury Prevention Programme, New Delhi, India and special certification on Project Management for Road Safety by Project Management Course on Road Safety by International Management Development Programme (IMDP).

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regional transport development at the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (IDEP) in Dakar, Senegal.

**Mr. Stergios MAVROMATIS, National Technical University of Athens, Greece**

Stergios Mavromatis is Research Associate at the Department of Transportation Planning and Engineering of the School of Civil Engineering of the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA). He is also Assistant Professor at the Department of Civil Engineering and Surveying & Geoinformatics Engineering of the Faculty of Technological Applications of the Technological Educational Institute (TEI) of Athens. He holds a Rural and Surveying Engineering Diploma from NTUA (1991), and a PhD degree in Transport from NTUA (2002).

He has 25 years of experience in several fields of transportation planning and engineering. His professional experience involves employment in private and concession firms as well as public authorities for the design of numerous transport projects from various assigned positions; such as, geometric and operational designer, head of road design team, transportation engineering project coordinator and technical consultant.

**Mr. Robert NOWAK, Economic Affairs Officer, Sustainable Transport Division, UNECE**

Mr. Robert Nowak works as economist at the Sustainable Transport Division of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe in Geneva. He currently focuses on road safety and road transport issues. Earlier, he was responsible for border crossing facilitation, Euro-Asian Transport Links and transport security. Prior to joining Transport Division, he researched problems and challenges of transition economies, in particular in the area of international trade and economic policies in the Commonwealth of Independent States countries of the former Soviet Union.

**Ms. May OBIRI-YEBOAH, CE Ghana Road Safety Commission**

Ing. Mrs May Akweley Amaki Obiri-Yeboah is the first female Executive Director of National Road Safety Commission (NRSC). She has over twenty-six years of experience in the road transport industry. She has served in varied roles in the public sector.

Prior to this appointment in June 2013, May was the Director of Planning and Programmes for the NRSC. She joined the Commission in 2005 as a Principal Engineer from the Department of Feeder Roads (DFR). As the head of the lead agency in Road Safety in Ghana, she has successfully coordinated the activities of stakeholders and made Ghana gain the enviable position of being the lead country in Africa in executing most of her Road Safety activities during the first half of the Decade of Action for Road Safety (2011-2020).

Ing. May Obiri-Yeboah attended Holy Child School from Form One to Upper Six. She was among the second batch of Science students who opted for Mathematics. She is a professional Civil Engineer and graduated from Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in 1987. She has a Postgraduate degree in Transport Planning and Engineering from Leeds University, UK.

**Mr. Boboye OYEYEMI, Corps Marshal and CEO, Federal Road Safety Corps, Nigeria**

Dr Boboye Oyeyemi is Corps Marshal of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Nigeria's Lead Agency in road traffic administration and safety management. Corps Marshal Oyeyemi, was born in Ibadan and attended the Polytechnic Ibadan, University of Lagos, Harvard University School of Government, Royal Institute for Public Administration (RIPA), London, the prestigious National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies (NIPSS). He holds a Doctorate degree in Transport Administration from the University of Nigeria, Nsukka (UNN).

Oyeyemi has attended world class security institutions including the Police Training Division, Suffern, New York for the Glock Armorer's and Firearms Safety Course; Region VI Police Driving School, Wilshire County, Devices, England; Sleep Research Laboratory, Loughborough University, UK; Glock, John R Wald Inc; NY, USA and Shot gun Instructors Course, NY, USA and John R Wald Inc, USA (Number Plates Admin).With both vast field operations and administrative experiences at the National

Headquarters, he was appointed Corps Marshal on 23 Jul 2014. Corps Marshal Boboye Oyeyemi, plays tennis and golf. He enjoys cycling, reading and research works. He is happily married to Bolanle Oluyemisi Oyeyemi, with three children.

**Mr. Hubert RUYPERS, Consultant for the World Bank, (retired) Police Officer, Belgium**

Hubert Ruypers has worked as police commissioner in the local police department of the city of Antwerp (Belgium) and was successive team leader of the traffic accident investigation squad and chief of the traffic police department.

He is also a lecturer in "traffic accident reconstruction" at the Technicum Antwerp College. He holds a Master degree in criminology and a Bachelor in automotive Engineering.

**Mr. Henk STIPDONK, Manager of road safety assessment and forecasting department at SWOV, institute for road safety research, The Netherlands.**

Henk Stipdonk studied physics in Leiden. After a career at the ministry of Transport as a traffic researcher, navigation safety project manager and manager of several departments (among which road safety), he joined SWOV in 2004. SWOV, the Dutch scientific road safety research institute carries out research in virtually all fields of road safety. At SWOV he is manager of the road safety assessment and forecasting department. He is responsible for the development of the department, including the development of road safety analysis and forecasting models, and of innovative research methods (instrumented bicycles), in depth crash research, simulator research etcetera. He leads multidisciplinary teams with e.g. psychologists, engineers, economists, physicists and statisticians on a PhD level. He is co-ordinator of national and international research for the road safety policy department of the Ministry of Transport and for the EU. He is responsible for the data expertise at SWOV and member of the management team of SWOV. In 2013 he obtained his PhD for his thesis ROAD SAFETY IN BITS AND PIECES, about understanding road safety trends by stratification and the incorporation of mobility data. Since 2015 he is chair of the PIN panel of the European Transport Safety Council in Brussels, and member of the scientific advisory board of the Belgian road safety institute IBSR.

**Mr. Antonino TRIPODI, Research Fellow at The Research Centre for Transport and Logistics**

Civil engineer with specialization on Transport and Ph.D. in Transport Systems with fourteen years of professional experience in studying transport systems, with focus on road safety, urban planning, transit planning. He is currently Research Fellow at DICEA (Department of Civil Engineering, Building and Environment) of "Sapienza" University of Rome and permanently collaborates with the Research Centre for Transport and Logistics (CTL) of "Sapienza". He collaborates with CTL since 2007, taking part to a number of national and international projects.

His main field of activities are sustainable mobility (especially at urban level), road safety, cycling mobility, public transportation, traffic management, transportation externalities estimation, ITS impacts estimation. He is currently involved as Crash Database Specialist in a project for Government of Pakistan (funded by the Asian Development Bank). He also participated and managed a number of national projects, like: road safety inspections for the Municipality of Rome, preparation of the Road Safety Plan of Rome, analysis of current status of transport and mobility of the Municipality of Ascoli Piceno, monitoring of the implementation of the Road Safety National Plan (for the Italian Ministry of Transport), fleet risk assessments of private companies, sustainable mobility projects for the Municipalities of Belluno and of Padova.

**Dr. Pieter VENTER, Consultant for World Bank and UN Economic Commission for Africa**

Dr. Pieter Venter who holds a Ph.D with research focuses on traffic safety education and management has been involved in road safety research, implementation and training since 1990. His career started in the Centre for Traffic Safety Research at the University of North West in South Africa of which he was the Director until his appointment as Manager of the Division for Road Safety Management research and implementation of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR). This was

followed with a position as Associate in a Traffic Engineering Consultancy. In the various positions he held over the years in the academic, research and corporate environment he not only did research but also developed and implemented road safety projects spanning the broad spectrum of the road safety field. The areas in which he has experience include training of road safety practitioners, teachers and road safety managers, road safety education and communication, traffic law enforcement, road safety engineering and road safety strategies. He joined the Global Road safety Partnership on a part-time basis in 2006 as country advisor for South Africa and from 2010 until February 2012 he was the GRSP Coordinator for Africa. He was CEO of the Global Road Safety Partnership from March 2012 to March 2015 and is presently GRSP Specialist Advisor for Africa, Specialist Consultant for the FIA as well as WB SSATP and UNECA

**Mr. Lukasz WYROWSKI, Economic Affairs Officer, Sustainable Transport Division, UNECE**

Lukasz Wyrowski, Master in management and investments, after several years with private sector in the field of management joined United Nations in 2005, held expert positions and managed programmes on industrial safety, environmental monitoring and assessment, green economy and sustainable development, transport economics with focus on urban transport. Currently co-manages programmes on road safety and road transport. Co-author of position papers and publications on green economy, urban transport and road safety.