



**Working Party on Road Traffic Safety**

**72th session**

**Agenda item 2: Activities of interest to the WP**

**EuroMed Transport RRU Project**

**“Technical Assistance to Tunisia – Road Safety:  
Training of Professional Drivers and Introduction  
of a Professional Qualification”**

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# Activities accomplished



- **Diagnosis of the Road Safety situation**
- **Identification of a regulatory framework. Proposals for amending Tunisian legislation**
- **Elaboration of Training Programs based on Road Safety**
- **Criteria for Approval of Training Centres**
- **A Sensitization Seminar**

The European Union's ENPI programme

**EuroMed road, rail and urban transport project**

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Assistance Technique Sécurité routière :  
Formation des conducteurs professionnels et introduction de compétences professionnelles

**ACTIVITÉ 1:**

DIAGNOSTIC DE LA SITUATION ACTUELLE DE LA SECURITE ROUTIERE ET DE LA FORMATION DES CONDUCTEURS PROFESSIONNELS ET DES EXAMENS POUR LEUR ADMISSION AU TRANSPORT DE FRET ET/OU DE PASSAGERS

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# Assumptions



- Professional driving: **much more than just driving**
- Accidents involving HGV, buses or coaches: **much more serious**
- Requirements for professional drivers **should be much more demanding**





## Relevant Regulatory Framework:

- The 1968 Convention on Road Traffic
- Directives 2006/126/EC, 2009/113/CE and 2012/36/UE on driving permits
- Directive 2003/59/CE on Professional Drivers Qualification





- Update driving permit legislation to the 1968 Convention Road Traffic
- Introduce a **Professional Driver Qualification**, consisting of:
  - A Compulsory Initial Minimal Training (140 h) and a Test
  - A Compulsory Periodic Training (35 h) and a Test, every 5 years
- Adopt minimal requirements
- Adopt Criteria for Approval of Training Centres





- The Tunisian Ministry of Transport, **fully committed** to implement the recommendations
- A Pilot Committee has been set up and its work is well advanced
- **Draft new and amended legislation** are almost completed





- Diagnosis has shown insufficiencies and dysfunctionings in the Training system
- **Building training capacity**, a key issue
- A strategy to this end has been proposed and already **8 Tunisian ADR trainers** have accredited by the IRU Academy
- A national Road Safety based Training program for all drivers will be proposed
- **Tunisian efforts deserve support**

