UN Transport Legal Instruments – a tool for better Road Safety Management

“Strengthening of the national road safety management capacities of selected developing countries and countries with economies in transition”

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UN Transport Conventions under UNECE ITC purview

Geographical coverage

As of 30 March 2016:
- 98 UN transport legal instruments
- 1712 Contracting Parties

Legal instruments acceded per country
- 1 - 10
- 10 - 20
- 20 - 30
- 30 - 40
- > 40
- No accession
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Worldwide accession

16% of countries have acceded to >10 UN RS Conventions

8% of countries have acceded to 5 to 9 UN RS Conventions

44% of countries have acceded to 1 to 4 UN RS Conventions

32% of countries have not acceded to any UN RS Conventions

Tunisia is the non UNECE country that has acceded to the most UN Road Safety Conventions (7)

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Geographical coverage

Contracting Party to at least one Road Safety Convention

Not Contracting Party to any Road Safety Convention
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**Location of countries**

- 71% of countries in Oceania
- 46% of countries in Africa
- 23% of countries in Asia
- 46% of countries in the Americas
- 23% of countries in Africa

Equivalent to 14% of the world’s population (approx. 1 billion people)

With the accession of the 3 largest countries in this analysis (Indonesia, Mexico, Ethiopia) the population not covered by any UN RS Conventions would almost halve.

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**Fatalities**

- 34% of countries with more than 100 fatalities per million inhabitants
- 25% of countries with between 50 and 100 fatalities per million inhabitants
- 10% of countries with less than 50 fatalities per million inhabitants

**Road safety regulatory governance**

- 35% of countries have >10 UN RS Conv.
- 41% of countries have 5-9 UN RS Conv.
- 21% of countries have 1 to 4 UN RS Conv
- 5% of countries have No UN RS Conv.

UNECE and WHO 2015 data
Belarus, Finland, Hungary and Netherlands are participants in Voluntary National Reviews to the SDGs and have acceded to all Core Road Safety Conventions.

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Thank you for your attention

Full presentation available at:
www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/trans/conventn/UN_Transport_Agreements_and_Conventions.pdf

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