



# **EaP Declaration on Road Safety Key Strategic Priorities**

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# 1) *Strengthening road safety management*

- The **coordinated planning and implementation of road safety policies** as well as the collaboration between governments, the civil society and the private sector;
- **Defining a leading operational entity** responsible for fully implementing road safety policies;
- Development and implementation of **the national road safety strategies and action plans** and sharing information and good practices on their development;
- Providing **sufficient resources** to implement these policies and programmes.

## ***2) Developing targeted road safety measures***

- Adopting the **Vision Zero** perspective and the **Safe System approach** in road safety strategies and policies;
- Setting of a target for **reducing road fatalities by 25% between 2016 and 2020**, and adopting the necessary measures to reach this objective;
- Further **reduction of the number of fatal and serious road traffic injuries by 50% from 2020 to 2030**, in line with the targets applied in the EU and at the UN level.
- Improving the **quality of systematic and consolidated data collection** on road traffic deaths and serious road injuries in line with best EU and international practices.

### ***3) Promoting safer infrastructure***

- **Inclusion of road safety in national and regional road projects** (also beyond those EU / IFIs-funded and beyond the TEN-T network);
- Applying **the EU road infrastructure safety management principles** (a combination of proper planning and safety assessment, design, building and maintenance of roads, the identification and black spot management);
- Establishing and enforcing **adequate speed limits** supported by appropriate safety measures (road signs, speed cameras etc.);
- Improvement of the **safety of vulnerable road users** (pedestrians, cyclists and motorcyclists), and development of specific measures for their protection.

## 4) *Protecting road users*

- Applying **the Safe System approach** (stressing the responsibility of all actors).
- Ensuring **effective road safety measures to address unsafe behaviour** on the roads, (speeding, drink and drug driving, failing to use seatbelts, child restraints, helmets and other protective equipment).
- **Improving road users' behaviour** focusing in particular on novice drivers, motorcycle riders and professional drivers (continued education and training, targeted information and awareness-raising campaigns).
- **Ensuring appropriate resources and technical support** to national police forces and fostering cooperation between the polices forces of each respective EaP partner.

## ***5) Promoting the use of safer vehicles***

- **Improved safety standards and roadworthiness of vehicles** to protect road users by adopting policies and measures in line with best EU and/or international standards.
- Promoting the use of **vehicles with the minimum standards** for occupant and other road users protection equipped with seat belts, air bags and active safety systems.
- **Promoting the cooperative intelligent transport systems** across the Eastern Partnership region and ensuring that services and systems are compatible and interoperable with EU standards.

## 6) *Enhancing cooperation and exchange of experience*

- **Mobilising all partners at regional, national and local levels** to strengthen the focus on road safety and support the exchange of experience and best practices.
- Promoting **continued dialogue** between the Eastern Partnership countries and the European Union.
- Using **the expertise and technical assistance of the European Union and its Member States** to support investment decisions and the preparation of new road projects, as well as the collection of quality data and the development of effective road safety measures.
- Boosting **voluntary commitments** to improve road safety, in particular by joining the European Road Safety Charter with the active involvement of civil society.