







## **RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 13th PRI WORLD CONGRESS**

TUNIS, 3 - 7 MAY, 2017

We, Ministers and Heads delegations from the 5 continents dealing with Road Safety, gathered in Tunis, Tunisia on May 3 – 7, 2017 for the 13<sup>th</sup> PRI World Congress on: "Road Governance & Its Impact on Road Safety: Achieving UN Decade of Action's RS Targets", in coordination with representatives of International, regional and sub – regional organizations from 4 continents (WHO, IFM, ETSC, IRF, IRU, IUC, IFSTTAR...) and NGOs ,academic institutions, Experts, RS Professionals and University Researchers from 57 different countries worldwide and the private sector, including philanthropic and corporate donors,

Acknowledging the leadership of the Government of Tunisia in preparing and hosting this high level 13<sup>th</sup> PRI World Congress held under The High Patronage of **HE. The President of The Republic Mr. Béji CAID SEBSI**,

- 1. Reaffirm our commitment to fulfill the requirements to Improve RS towards the increase of the high number of fatalities worldwide (1.3 Million deaths), serious road traffic injuries (50 Millions) causing human suffering & unacceptable economic losses (1% 3% respective GNP of the world reaching a total over 500 USD Billions) according to WHO Global Status Report on RS 2015,
- 2. To Meet the common target set by the 2030 Agenda for sustainable Development to "by 2020, halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents and "affirming our willingness to intensify both national action and international cooperation,
- 3. Reaffirm our conviction that providing basic conditions and services to address RS is primarily a responsibility of Governments through a National Authority grouping all dominant players in the field of RS,

- 4. Commend States that have adopted comprehensive legislation on key risk factors, including the non use of seat belts, child restraints & helmets, driving under the influence of alcohol / drugs, speeding and drawing attention to other risk factors such as medical conditions and medicines which affect safe driving, fatigue, cell phones and other electronic and texting devices,
- 5. Consider the crucial importance of traffic law enforcement actions and the role of awareness raising campaigns for the prevention of road traffic crashes, and to minimize the injuries and damage they cause,
- 6. Recognize the commitment of States and civil society to RS by observing the annual World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic victims as well as UN RS Weeks,
- 7. Emphasize the role of the UN Road Safety Collaboration as a consultative mechanism to facilitate international RS cooperation,
- 8. Encourage States that have not yet done so to designate and/or strengthen funded lead agencies and related coordination mechanisms at national or sub national level as to strengthen the collaboration between governments, including parliamentary bodies, civil society, academia, private sector and philanthropic foundations,
- 9. Invite States that have not yet done so to redouble efforts to develop and implement national RS plans and adopt and enforce comprehensive legislation in line with the Global Plan for the Decade of Action for RS 2011 2020,
- 10. Enhance road policing strategies and traffic enforcement measures, with a view to reducing road traffic crashes, including by means of promoting integration among traffic enforcement agencies in policing and inspection, as well as collecting road infrastructure and road traffic crashes data,
- 11.Improve the quality of systematic and consolidated data collection of road traffic crashes, including information from different sources, as well as on mortality and morbidity and disabilities in order to address matters of data reliability and underreporting bearing in mind that data collection should be conducted by the appropriate authorities including traffic police and health services, in line with international standards and definitions.

- 12. Adopt, implement and enforce policies and measures to actively protect and promote pedestrian safety and cycling mobility such as pedestrian walkways and bicycle lanes,...
- 13. Encourage efforts to ensure the safety and protection of all road users through safer road infrastructure, especially on highest risk roads with high rates of crashes,
- 14.Urge States to promote, adapt and implement road safety policies for the protection of vulnerable people among road users, in particular children, youth, older persons and persons with disabilities,
- 15.Encourage States to introduce new technologies in traffic management and intelligent transport systems to mitigate road traffic risk and maximize response efficiency mainly through PPP ( Public / Private / Partnership),
- 16.Develop & promote new technologies, especially those automated driver assistance systems that reduce the effects of human error & distraction such as Intelligent Speed Assistance ( ISA ) or Autonomous Emergency Braking ( AEB ) in protecting particularly vulnerable road users and prepare the roads of the future,
- 17. Develop and implement comprehensive, inclusive and evidence based educational and training programs, on a life long learning and testing basis, to stimulate responsible behavior of all road users with a view to creating peaceful road and social environment, as well as awareness of risk factors,
- 18.Strengthen pre hospital care, including emergency health services and the immediate post crash response, early rehabilitation and social integration to people and persons with disabilities caused by traffic crashes and comprehensive support to victims of road traffic crashes and their families,

- 19.Invite governments and RS agencies to continue and enhance their activities of international cooperation in order to share best practices, and lessons learned, transfer knowledge, promote access to innovative and sustainable technologies and build capacity,
- 20.Invite all relevant stakeholders and especially the donor community to scale up funding for RS and to explore innovative funding modalities to support global, regional, national and local level research and policy implementation
- 21. Welcome & encourage the courageous measures and decisions announced by **HE The Head of Government Mr. Youssef CHAHED** in his opening keynote speech which emphasized the irrevocable commitment of the Tunisian Government in dealing with this common cause of traffic accidents mainly by inserting road education in the official school curricula and by creating a National Independent Instance in charge of RS and directly linked to the Presidency of the Government.

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