

Roundtable on the Safety of Two- Wheeled Vehicles



Working Party 1
UNECE
March 23, 2015

Urgent Need for Attention

- Half of all road traffic deaths are among motorcyclists, pedestrians and cyclists
- 276,000 killed on 2 and 3 wheeled vehicles in 2010 (23 percent of total). Most in low and middle-income countries
 - Proportion of two-wheeler deaths is increasing
- Proportion of newly registered 2 and 3 wheeled vehicles above 60 percent in SE Asia Region
 - Western Pacific Region almost 40 percent

Policy Overview

Fundamental differences in the use of powered two-wheelers globally

Need for special policies and practices in nations where two-wheelers comprise a large portion of motor vehicles

Need for relevant, concise, flexible model to serve as foundation for legal structure in many nations

Best Practices and Research Opportunities

Special considerations for nations in which powered two-wheelers comprise a large portion of vehicles:

Traffic management

Traffic control devices

Rider education

Protective equipment

Licensing

Infrastructure

Next Steps

Consider a new Consolidated Resolution amendment outlining recommendations for safety measures for powered two-wheelers, including considerations for nations with high proportions of use

Prepare outline of areas of research to identify good practices in such nations

Recommend and/or initiate research on special traffic management and vehicle use policies for such nations

Consider outreach and information collection through regional workshops