

ETF Bus Driver Safety

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European Transport Safety Council

1. ETSC European Transport Safety Council
2. ETSC experience in advancing Vehicle Safety Standards :
« the General Safety Regulation » (GSR)
3. Ideas for next steps to be discussed with ETF members



A science based approach to road safety

Secretariat in Brussels

~ 60 member organisations from across Europe

More than **200 experts** contributing to ETSC's work

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WHAT WE DO?



Monitoring EU
transport
safety policy



Road Safety
Performance
Index (PIN)

EU ROAD SAFETY EXCHANGE

SMART 
SOBER MOBILITY ACROSS ROAD TRANSPORT

**SAFE
SOBER** 

LEARN!
LEVERAGING EDUCATION TO
ADVANCE ROAD SAFETY NOW!



DRUG DRIVING

EU road safety Policy Framework 2021- 2030

- ‘Vision Zero’ for 2050: no one should be killed or seriously injured on EU roads by 2050.
- 2030 targets for
 - -50% for road deaths compared to 2019
 - - 50% for serious injuries compared to 2019
- Safe System approach
- 5 pillars

The 5 road safety pillars

- **Road safety management:** 2021-2030 EU road safety plan, KPI, data collection (CARE)...
- **Safer roads and mobility:** Road Infrastructure Safety Management, TEN-T, Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS)...
- **Safer vehicles:** GSR, lorries' weights and dimensions...
- **Safer road users:** training for professional drivers (CPC), driving and resting time directive...
- **Post-collision response:** e-Call

Joint work with EIT against lowering minimum age for solo driving

The graphic features a dark blue vertical bar on the left containing the ETSC logo and the text 'GOOD' in large white letters. The right side is a solid orange rectangle with white text.

Sign-the petition
against 17-year-olds
driving HGVs

NEWS — [Driving licences](#), [EU Driving Licence Directive](#), [Heavy related road safety](#), [Young people](#)

November 19, 2024

ETSC has joined with lorry driver unions to launch a petition calling for the EU to drop plans to allow 17-year-olds to begin lorry driver training.

EU decision making process



EUROPEAN
COMMISSION

COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UN



proposes

decide

Give advices

EUROPEAN UNION



Committee of the Regions



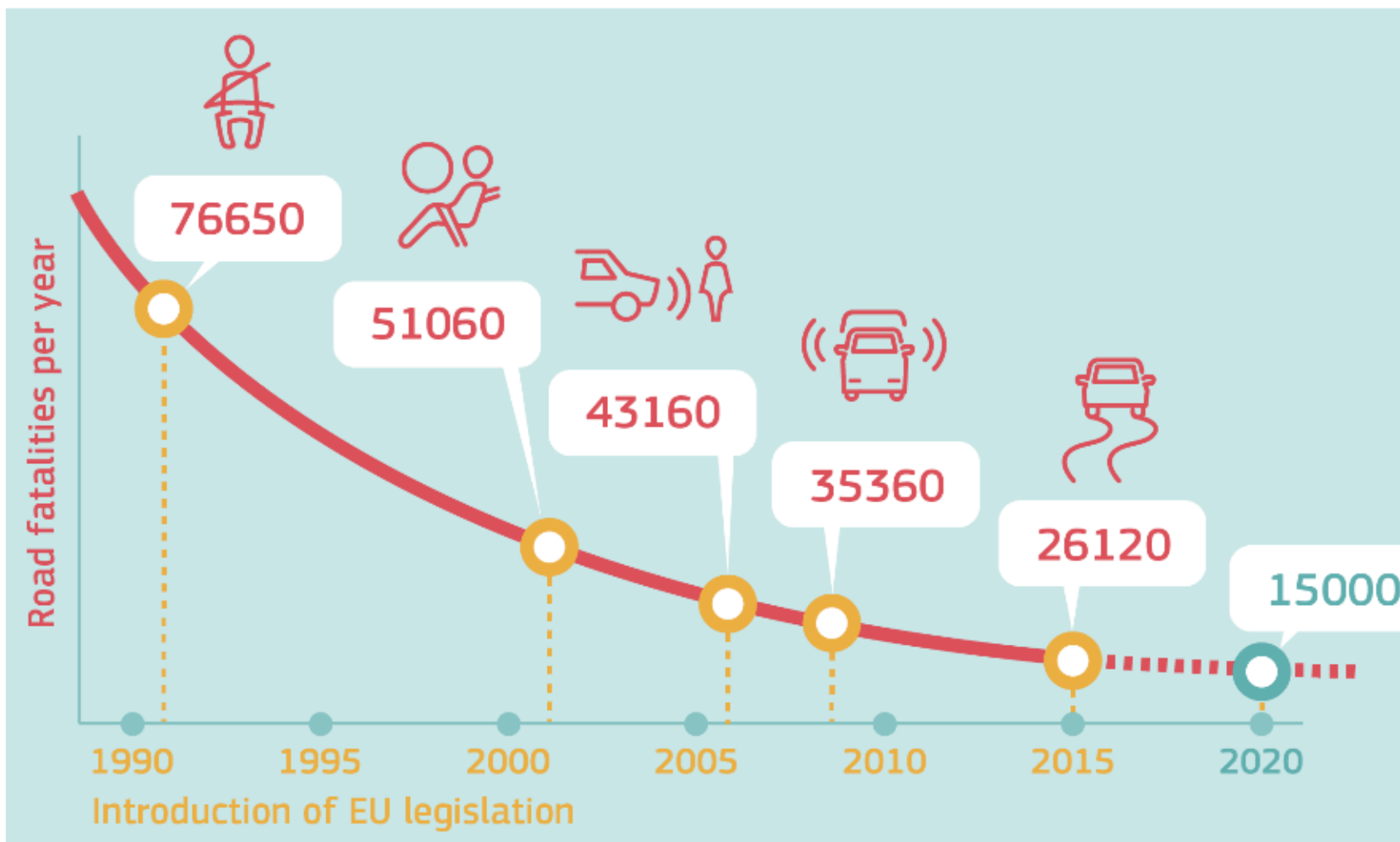
**European Economic
and Social Committee**



2) EU VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARDS

- Death figures would have been significantly higher without vehicle safety measures already taken by the EU
- Vehicle safety standards: exclusive power to legislate (Article 114 of the EU Treaty)
- Last revision of EU common vehicle safety rules in 2009
- 2019: revision of the minimum safety rules makes 15 new vehicle safety measures mandatory on all new vehicles

New mandatory vehicle safety measures = improvement in road safety



Source: DG GROW

- 1991-1992**
Compulsory use of seatbelts
- 1998-2003**
Stronger driver and passenger protection (better crash tests, airbags)
- 2005-2011**
Better pedestrian protection, compulsory energy absorbing bonnets and front bumpers, Brake Assist Systems
- 2007-2009**
Mandatory installation of blind spot mirrors on trucks registered after 2000
- 2011-2015**
Compulsory driver seatbelt reminder and isofix child seat fasteners, automatic brakes and lane departure warning systems for trucks and buses
- 2016-on going**
New car safety features under evaluation

3 phases (page 31 of the Regulation in *English*)

1 st phase 6 July 2022: new type approval (new models) 6 July 2024: registration of new vehicles	2 nd phase 7 July 2024: new type approval 7 July 2026: registration of new vehicles	3 rd phase 7 Jan 2026: new types approval 7 Jan 2029: registration of new vehicles
Intelligent Speed Assistance	AEBS with VRU Detection	Direct vision (trucks and buses)
Alcohol Interlock Installation Facilitation	Enlarged Head Impact Zone (cars+vans)	Event Data Recorder (trucks and buses)
Driver drowsiness and Attention Warning	Advanced driver distraction Warning	
Emergency Lane Keeping Systems (cars and vans only)		
Reversing Detection		
Emergency Stop Signal		
Rear and side Underrun (Trucks)		
VRU Detection warning (trucks and bus)		

Direct Vision made mandatory EU GSR ☐ UN Standard



Talk to your members, your governments, make noise!

Small numbers of Killed and Seriously injured but equity issue!

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