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The following expressions or acronyms are used in documents of the Association.

Council of the World Road Association	Assembly managing the Association. The Council meets at least once a year (usually during the 4th quarter).
Executive Committee (ExCom)	Board elected at the head of the Association by the Council. The EC meets in spring and autumn every year.
Commission	Body established by the Executive Committee, either on a standing basis or for a fixed term, for specific purposes in order to facilitate the management of the Association's business.
First Delegate	Head of delegation of a member country to the Council.
Official Delegate	Representative of a member country to the Council.
National Committee	Organisation grouping all the members of a country, coordinating their activities and delegated with specific tasks from the Central Office. Note: In some countries, existing organisations that perform the role of a PIARC National Committee are accorded equivalent National Committee status. Some regional international organisations are accorded similar status.
Internal Rules	The Internal Rules are approved by the Council and clarify where necessary the specific rules and procedures for the application of the Statutes.
Statutes	The PIARC Statutes are a requirement of French law, that legally establish the association and define its aims and the main lines of its organisation.

Strategic Theme (ST)	One of the broad fields of activities defined in PIARC's Strategic Plan and overseen by a coordinator, and embracing the work of a number of Technical Committees.
Strategic Theme Coordinator	Executive Committee member responsible for coordinating PIARC activities related to one Strategic Theme and maintaining oversight of the appropriate Technical Committees.
PIARC Technical Committee (TC)	Group which undertakes studies in a defined subject area on technical topics and on road policy, road management, socio-economic, environmental and quality of life issues.
Member of a PIARC Technical Committee	Person designated by the First Delegate of his/her country (or by an organisation) to participate in the activities of the Technical Committee and attend its meetings.
Corresponding Member of a PIARC Technical Committee	Person designated by the First Delegate of his/her country (or by an organisation) to participate in the activities of the Technical Committee by correspondence, without formal agreement to attend meetings.
Associate member of a PIARC Technical Committee	Person invited by a Technical Committee to participate in their activities such as a technical expert or a young professional.
PIARC Project (P)	Action limited in time and led by PIARC for an output goal. Projects benefit from a specific financing (Association's Funds).
Project Team	Group set up to conduct a PIARC Project. Project Teams are working under the leadership of the Secretary General.