

Paris, 8 April 2010

For attention of PIARC Technical Committee Chairs

SUBJECT: XXIVth World Road Congress Mexico 2011 – List of Special Sessions

Dear Colleagues,

The PIARC Executive Committee has adopted in Québec City the list of the topics for the Special Sessions of the Mexico Congress. You will find attached this list, being noted that these are tentative titles, together with the indication of the topics of the Ministers' and the Strategic Direction Sessions.

The number of special sessions allowed being lower than for the Paris Congress (13 against 20), many proposals have been rejected despite their interest.

Within one month approximately, the PIARC General Secretariat will send a short description about each special session. We will then seek to identify for each special session several resource persons who will work together with PIARC General Secretariat to define more precisely the scope of the sessions, draft the outline of the programme and identify the potential main contributors. We are therefore continuing the discussion with you.

It is also advisable that we avoid duplication between sessions, and that we ensure consistency and an overall good agreement between the sessions of Technical Committees, Strategic Direction sessions and Special Sessions.

Should you need any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me by e-mail.

This letter is copied directly to the Secretaries of the TCs. I also invite you to make the appropriate dissemination of this letter within your TC, in particular to the group leaders who could be involved in the special sessions programme.

Best regards,



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Att.: table of Mexico Congress sessions

cc.: A.M. Leclerc, J. Barton, Strategic Theme Coordinators, Secretaries of TCs, Technical Advisors