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# The World Road Association (PIARC)

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A non-profit association founded in 1909  
to promote international cooperation in issues  
related to roads and road transport



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# Members

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National Governments  
Regional Authorities  
Collective Members  
Individual Members

in about 130 Countries

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15 *countries*

1909

1999

94 *countries*

2000

Cape Verde  
Gabon  
Mali

2001

Namibia

2002

Bhutan  
Cambodia  
Ghana  
Nepal  
Papua New Guinea  
Swaziland

2003

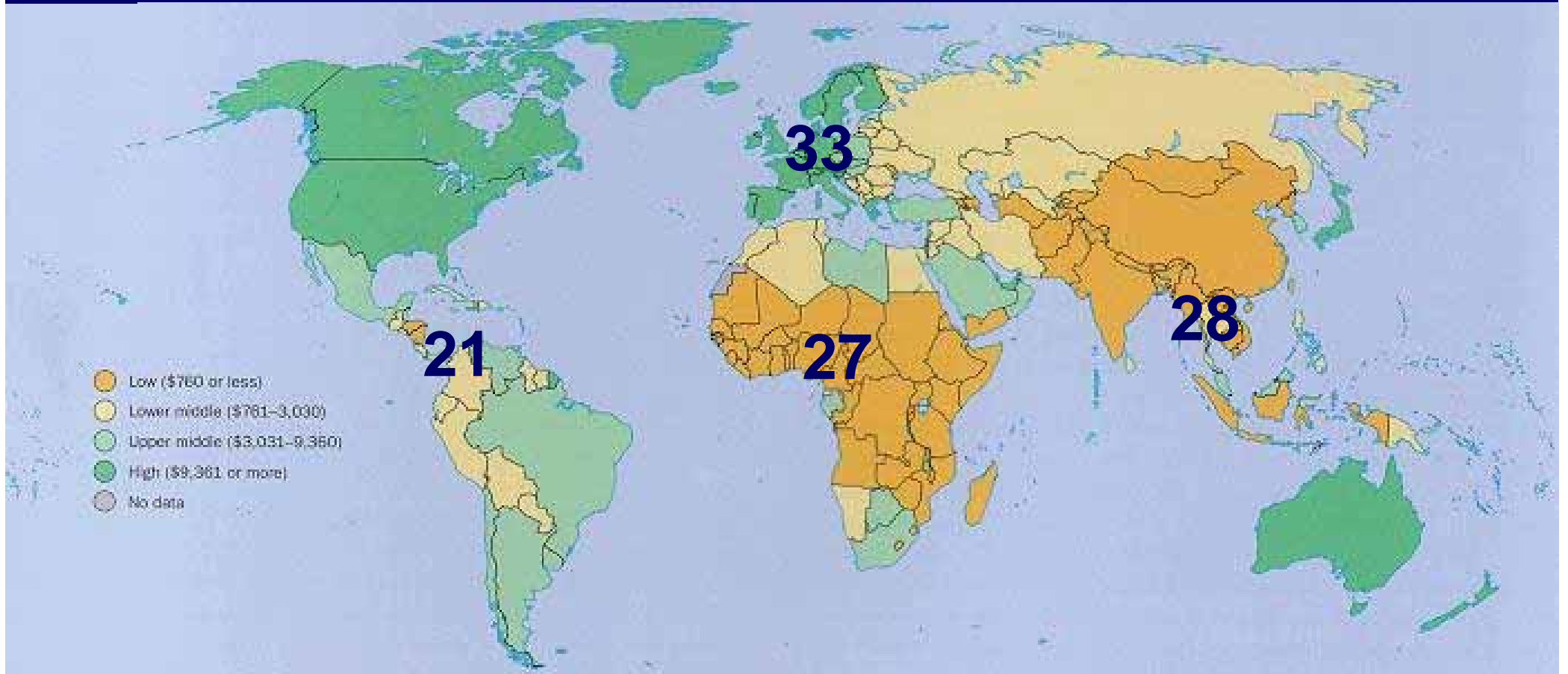
Iceland  
Togo  
Vietnam

2004

Azerbaijan  
El Salvador

109 *countries*

# PIARC Member Countries



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# Vision

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PIARC being the World  
leading forum in exchange of  
knowledge  
on roads  
and road transport policy  
and practices  
within an integrated  
sustainable transport context

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# Mission

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- To serve all members
- by being a leading international forum
  - by disseminating best practice
  - by promoting efficient tools for decision making

with special emphasis for  
developing countries and  
countries in transition

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# Values

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PIARC's values are:

- To provide universal quality service to its members,
- To be open, objective and impartial,
- To promote sustainable and sound economic solutions,
- To recognize road transport in an integrated transport and land use context,



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# Values

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PIARC's values are:

- To be customer driven,
- To respect the differing international road transport needs,
- To be a leader in technology transfer.

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# Structure

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## COUNCIL

representation of all  
member countries

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

elected by the Council  
every four years

## GENERAL SECRETARIAT

## NATIONAL COMMITTEES

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# National Committees

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PIARC National Committees provide local animation and act as a relay for the dissemination of information in 33 member countries

Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Canada-Québec, Congo, Czech Rep., Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Italy, Japan, Madagascar, Mexico, Morocco, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom

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# Activities

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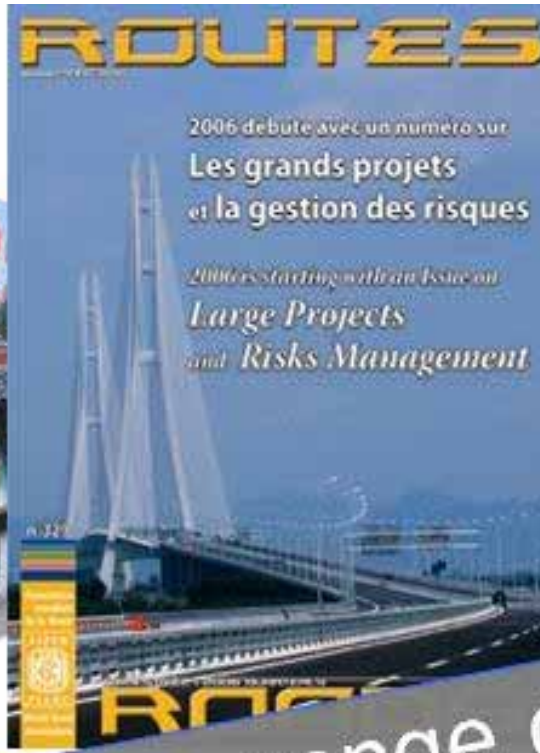
- Sets up Committees and Develop Projects,
- Publishes Documents and Software,
- Cooperates with International Bodies,
- Organizes International Winter Road Congresses
- Organizes World Road Congresses



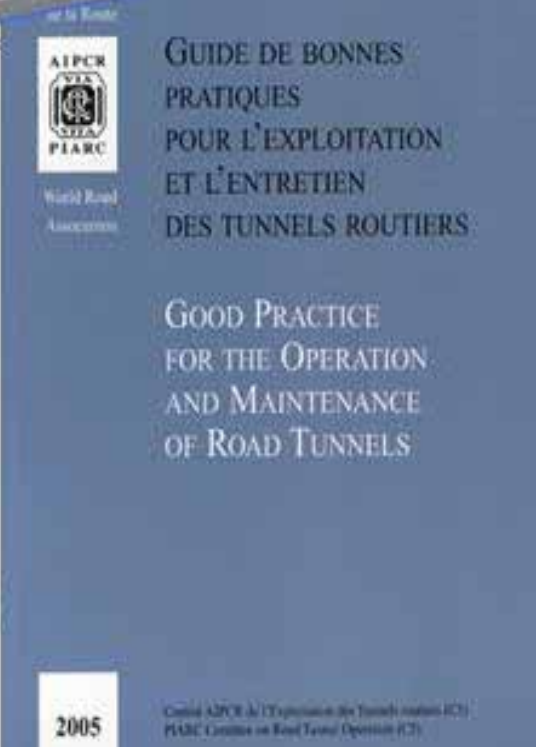
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A large range of publications



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# A Strategic Plan

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For each 4 year-cycle, in-between two World Road Congresses, a Strategic Plan guides PIARC activities.

For the 2004-2007 period, 4 strategic themes cover the work of 18 Technical Committees + Committee on Terminology.

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# Strategic Themes 2004 - 2007

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- ST1: Governance and Management of the Road System (K. Inoue – Japan)
- ST2 : Sustainable Mobility (G. Clarke – UK)
- ST3 : Safety and Road operations  
(C. Nottingham – USA)
- ST4 : Quality of road infrastructures  
(A.-M. Leclerc – Canada-Québec)

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# ST1 : Governance and Management of the Road System

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- 1.1 Road System Economics
- 1.2 Financing Road system Investment
- 1.3 Performance of Road Administrations
- 1.4 Management of Network Operations



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## ST2: Sustainable Mobility

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- 2.1 Sustainable Development and Road Transport
- 2.2 Interurban Roads and Integrated Interurban Transport
- 2.3 Urban Areas and Integrated Urban Transport
- 2.4 Freight Transport and Intermodality
- 2.5 Rural roads and accessibility

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# ST3: Safety and Road Operations

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3.1 Road Safety

3.2 Risk Management for Roads

3.3 Road Tunnels Operation

3.4 Winter Maintenance

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# ST4: Quality of road infrastructures

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- 4.1 Management of Road Infrastructure Assets
- 4.2 Road/Vehicle Interaction
- 4.3 Road Pavements
- 4.4 Bridges and Related Structures
- 4.5 Earthworks, Drainage and Subgrade

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## On-going Projects

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- World Interchange Network
- Seminars in Developing Countries and Countries in Transition
- Technology Transfer Centres in Developing Countries
- HDM-4 (software for the management of highways investments and projects)
- Terminology

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# PIARC Winter Road Congresses

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Tampere 1986

Tromsø 1990

Seefeld 1994

Luleå 1998

Sapporo 2002

Turin-Sestriere 28-30 March 2006

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# PIARC World Road Congresses

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Brussels 1987

Marrakech 1991

Montreal 1995

Kuala Lumpur 1999

Durban 19-25 October 2003

Paris 17-21 September 2007



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**PIARC** **WORLD ROAD ASSOCIATION**  
**ASSOCIATION MONDIALE DE LA ROUTE**  
"Exchange knowledge and techniques on roads and road transportation."

**Français** **Español**


Key words

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**RISK MANAGEMENT FOR ROADS**  
Seminar in Hanoi (Vietnam), April 2006  
The **DEADLINE** for registration and/or proposal of papers is **31 JANUARY 2006!**  
● [More information...](#)

**PIARC PRIZES 2007 COMPETITION**  
You are a young or established professional in the road and transport sector?  
● [The PIARC Prizes 2007 Competition is made for you!](#)

**2004-2008 PIARC Guide**  
 PIARC Seminars, Special Fund, PIARC Prizes, WIN...  
Some news for PIARC members!


**Involvement of the private sector in the construction, maintenance and operation of the road network**  
This was the theme of the Council conference-discussion during the annual meeting in Beijing.  
● [All presentations...](#)

**International Seminars**  
The proceedings of some PIARC International Seminars are available.  
● [All presentations...](#)

**HDM-4**  
Further development in the management of the HDM-4 project!  
● [To know more about it...](#)

**Road Safety Manual and ITS Handbook**

**MEMBERS AREA**

 **International Winter Road Congress**  
Torino-Sestriere (Italy)  
27-30 March 2006

 **PIARC PRIZES 2007 COMPETITION**

 **World Road Congress**  
Paris (France)  
17-21 June 2007

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