



# PIARC International Seminar on: Road Safety in Low to Middle Income Countries: Issues and Countermeasures

Virtual, 18 - 20 MAY 2021

# **FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT**

# Organized in cooperation by:

- World Road Association (PIARC)
- Tunisian Road Association (ATR)
- Ministry of Equipment, Housing and Insfrastructures (MEHI)
- National Observatory of Road Safety (ONSR)







# **PIARC Programme of International Seminars**

PIARC (The World Road Association) is a non-political, non-profit organisation whose mission comprises organising international forums, disseminating best practice and promoting efficient tools for decision making in the road transport field.

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As part of its work, since 1999 the Association manages the PIARC Programme of International Seminars, which aims at strengthening its presence throughout the world, be more receptive to the needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition and make the results of the Association's work more widely known in those countries.

## **Technical Committee 3.1: Road safety**

Road Safety committee observes a fact that ninety percent of traffic deaths occur in LMICs, and then assesses and identifies the best practice of road safety activities for LMICs. Technical Committee 3.1 "Road Safety" also explores proven countermeasures that are effective in reducing the likelihood and severity of crashes at a given location. Remarkably, "Road Safety Manual" and "Road Safety Audit Guideline" are to be updated, pursuing efforts to disseminate and encourage the application of these manuals. Technical Committee 3.1 plays a fundamental role in providing access to well-chosen safety measures and its dissemination among LMICs.

The work of Technical Committee TC3.1 is carried out around the following topics:

- 3.1.1 Specific road safety issues for LMICs
- 3.1.2 Implementation of proven countermeasures
- 3.1.3 Update Road Safety Audit Guidelines
- 3.1.4 Implications of connected and automated vehicles
- 3.1.5 Update of the Road Safety Manual

#### **Seminar Objectives**

Given the number of deaths and serious injuries in low- to middle-income countries, it is widely accepted that investment in road safety for these countries has a very high cost-benefit ratio. To this end, these countries are encouraged to put in place medium-term strategies to reduce the number of crashes, as the 2nd UN Decade of Action for Road Safety- 2021-2030.









With this in mind, this seminar aims to present the necessary recommendations to put in place effective and sound solutions and countermeasures that take into account the specificities of these countries: financial, logistical, user behavior, existing networks, strategies already in place, etc.

# Who should attend?

The PIARC International Seminar on Road safety audit is intended for government agencies officials or private operators and managers responsible for the traffic and safety, for technical staff involved in designing, programming, executing, and overseeing road works, for university professors, researchers and engineering students interested in further exploring the topic of road safety and for specialists of other knowledge areas participating in road safety.

# **Virtual Seminar and Dates**

Although the city of Tunis, Tunisia, was selected as the seminar location, the seminar was finally supposed to take place in the virtual format due to COVID-19 crisis. The seminar will take place from 18 to 20 May 2021.







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## **Format and Languages**

The seminar will consist of various thematic sessions where the topics included in the preliminary programme (see next paragraph) will be addressed. These sessions have been planned for the three days of the seminar. Each session will include several presentations by members of Technical Committee TC3.1 as well as by Tunisian experts and experts from other countries around the world. At the end of the sessions, a roundtable for discussing the different topics covered in the presentations will be carried out.

Languages of the seminar will be French, English and Spanish with simultaneous translation available.

# **Preliminary Programme**

Seminar contents will be organised according to the following preliminary programme:

Time in the seminar is scheduled as follows (TBC); Tunis 14h to 18h (6 am to 10 am Seattle, 8 am to 12 pm Mexico, 10 am h to 14h Buenos Aires, 15h to 19h CET, 18h30 to 22h30 New Delhi, 22h to 2 am Tokyo)

#### 18 May 2021

- Seminar
- Debate

#### 19 May 2021

- Seminar
- Debate
- Round Tables

#### 20 May 2021

- Seminar
- Round Tables
- Final Recommendations









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## **Organizing Committee**

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# Registration

It is planned that the registration fee to attend the PIARC International Seminar on Road Safety in Low to Middle Income Countries will be free of charge for those who are from any country.

# **Pre-registration**

If you are interested in attending the PIARC International Seminar on Road Safety in Low to Middle Income Countries: Issues and Countermeasures, please fill in the following form and send it to :

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