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PIARC Committee

C 3.3

"Road tunnel Operation"



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The sphere of activity of the PIARC C3.3 committee

- PIARC deals with the aspects:
 - Equipment
 - Geometry
 - Environment
 - Exploitation
 - Safety
- ITA deals with the aspects:
 - Geology
 - Civil engineering





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The position of the committee within the PIARC committees

Technical committees distributed among 4 strategic themes (TS).

TS3: Safety and Road operations

C 3.1 Road safety

C 3.2 Risk management for roads

C 3.3 Road tunnels operation

C 3.4 Winter maintenance



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Birth of the committee ...

The technical committee in charge of road tunnels within PIARC was created in

1957

under name

"Committee of Road Tunnels"



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The founder members

The 6 founder countries were:

- 1. Belgium
- 2. France
- 3. Italy
- 4. Netherlands
- 5. Switzerland
- 6. The United Kingdom



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Presidents of the committee

The successive presidents were:

• 1957-1979

Mr. J. Rérolle (France)

• 1980-1991

Sir Alan Muir Wood (U.K)

• 1992-1995

Mr. E Scotto (Italy)

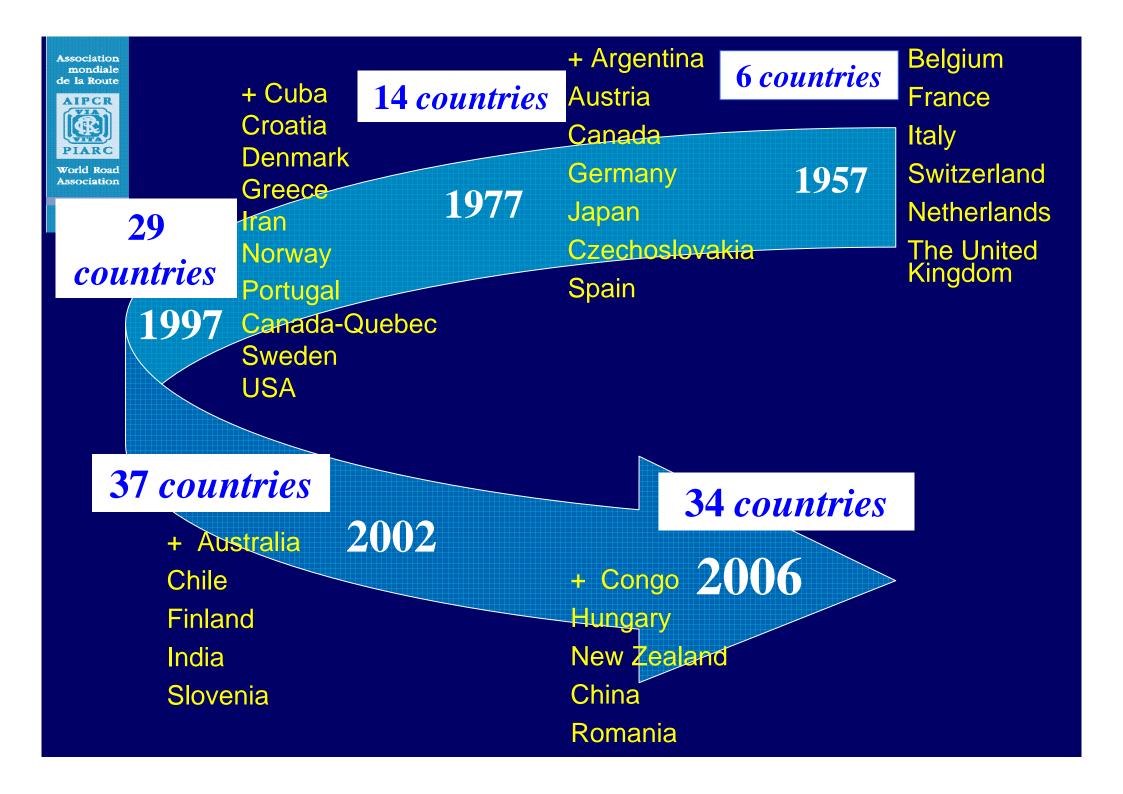
• 1996-1999

Mr. M Marec (France)

2000-2007

Mr. D. Lacroix

(France)





The situation in Latin America

1 country

1977 Argentina 1957

2 countries

1997 Cuba Mexico

4 countries

2002

Argentina

Chile

Cuba

Mexico

3 countries

2006

Argentina

Chile

Cuba



The geographical distribution of the 34 current committee's Member States





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Operating mode of the committee

- It meets twice a year
- It organizes 2 seminars per cycle
- It sets up the working groups
- It validates the products of the working groups
- It represents the AIPCR in working groups / conferences



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Members of the committee

- 1 President + 3 Secretaries
- Official members :
 38 members of 29 different countries
- Corresponding members:
 15 members of 13 different countries
- Associate members :
 8 members of 8 different countries



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Meetings of the committee

- 26-27/05/2004 : Paris
- 02-03/12/2004 : Rome
- 24-27/05/2005 : Sydney
- 06-07/10/2005 : Dubrovnik
- 27-28/03/2006 : San Juan
- October 2006 : Chongqing
- Spring 2007 : Tokyo
- 16-21/09/2007 : Paris



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2 seminars co-organized by the committee in 2004-2007

29-31/03/2006
 San Juan
 (Argentina)



October 2006Chongqing(China)



Reports of the committee

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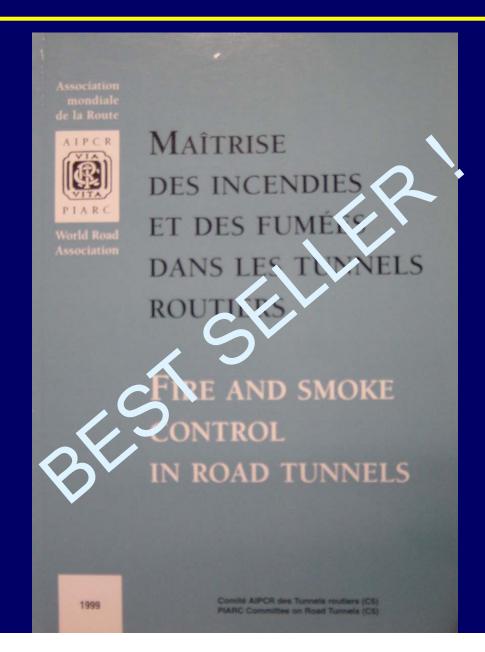
- Good Practice for the Operation and Maintenance of Road Tunnels
- Traffic Incident Management Systems used in Road Tunnels
- Road Tunnels: Vehicle Emissions and Air Demand for Ventilation
- Cross Section Design of Bidirectional Road Tunnels
- Cross Section Geometry in Uni-directional Tunnels
- Pollution by Nitrogen Dioxide in Road Tunnels
- Road Tunnels: reduction of Operating Costs
- Fire and Smoke Control in Road Tunnels
- Road Safety in Tunnels
- Road Tunnels: Emissions, Environment, Ventilation
- Classification of Tunnels, Existing Guidelines and Experiences, Recommendations
- The First Road Tunnel A Planner Guide for Countries Without Previous Experience of New Road Tunnels

The most known report!

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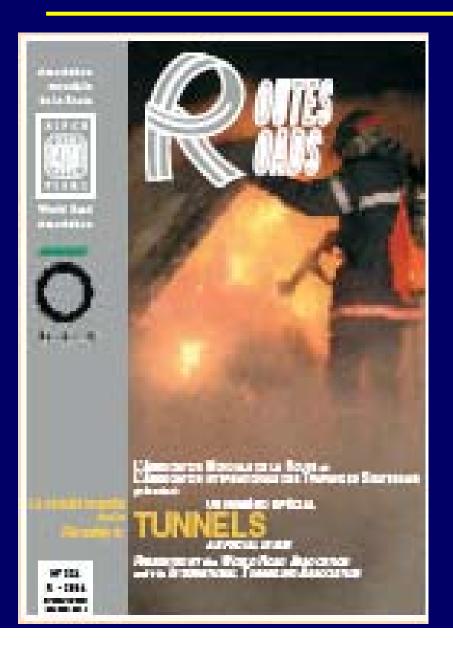
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Articles in Routes/Roads

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Routes/Roads

n° 324

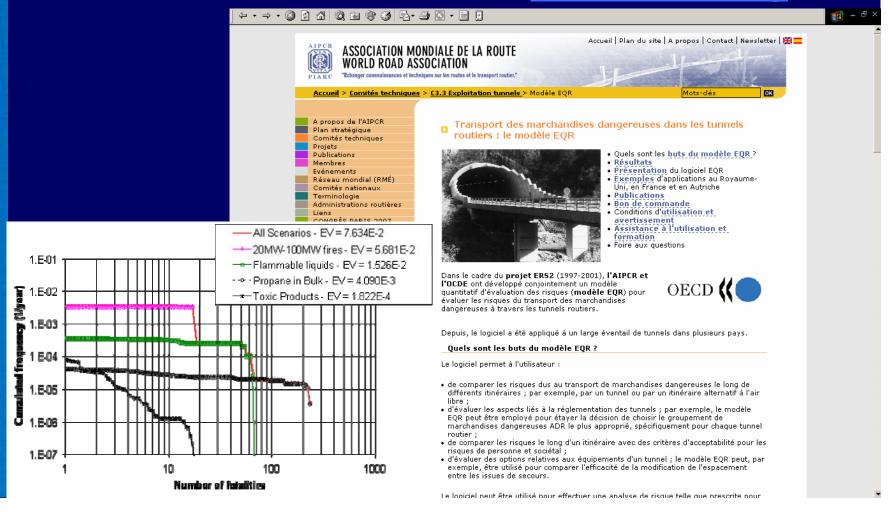
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Quantitative risk assessment model for dangerous goods (OECD/AIPCR)

See PIARC site - C3.3: www.piarc.org





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Working groups of the committee

- 1 Tunnel operation 25 members
- 2 Management of tunnel safety 37 members
- 3 Human factors for tunnel safety 16 members
- 4 Detection, communication, safety equipment 18 members
- 6 Ventilation and fire control 30 members



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Documents in preparation

<u>GT1</u>: animator: Jean-Claude Martin (France)

1. Guide for organising, recruiting and training tunnel operating staff.

2. Recommendations for high trafficked urban tunnels



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Documents in preparation

GT2: animator: Rudolf Hoërhan (Austria)

- 1. Integrated approach for road tunnel safety
- 2. Risk analysis for road tunnels
- 3. Responsibilities in road tunnel safety management
- 4. Tools for road tunnel safety management



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Documents in preparation

<u>GT3</u>: animator: Evert Worm (Netherlands)

- 1. Human factors and tunnel safety
- 2. Guideline for organizing education and information activities on road tunnel safety
- 3. Mutual expectations for road tunnel operators and emergency services



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Documents in preparation

<u>GT4</u>: animator: Urs Welte (Switzerland)

- 1. Installation of road signage on a route incorporating a tunnel
- 2. Laybys and S.O.S stations in road tunnels
- 3. Video detection in road tunnels: benefits and limitations



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Documents in preparation

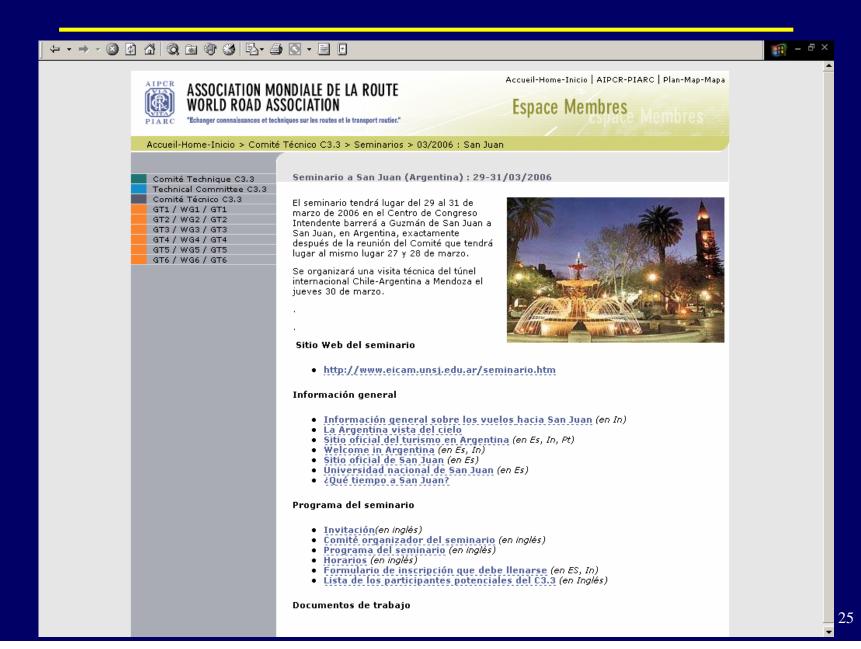
GT6: animator: Art Bendelius (USA)

- 1. Guide to optimizing of the air quality impact upon the environment
- 2. Operation strategies for tunnel ventilation
- 3. Assessment of fixed fire suppression systems
- 4. Update of design fires
- 5. Impact of Pavement on Fires



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The Web site of the committee





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Participation of the committee in international projects/networks

- International Associations/Networks:
 - AITES/ITA
 - COSUF
- European projects R & D:
 - UPTUN
 - SafeT
- European committee of the safety of road tunnels (*Directive 2004/54/EC*)



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C 3.3 committee is also...

... more than 130 experts at your disposal to share experiments in the field of road tunnels!

In the name of the C 3.3 committee

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Thank you for your attention!