

# Asia and the Pacific Road Safety Observatory: Governance Options

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# Initial workshop

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- demonstrate the economic, social and financial cost of road crashes
- outline the concept of a Road Safety Observatory for the region
- discuss the establishment of a road safety observatory in the region
- share information and experiences
- demonstrate the mutual benefits of a Road Safety Observatory in Asia

# Unanimous support for the Observatory



# Task force 1: A minimum set of road safety indicators.

- a minimum set of safety and crash related variables that all countries should collect at national level
- a common set of variables that will be collected at the observatory level, with the objective to create a common safety database (monitoring tool)

# Task Force 2: Governance

- governance structure of the Observatory, including bylaws
- terms of reference for the host organization
- terms of reference for a Secretariat
- the funding model and the operational budget for the first three years

# Structure (overview)

- Annual meeting
  - the decision-making body. Agreements adopted by a majority vote of the countries present at the Assembly.
  - comprises of voting and non-voting members.
- Steering Committee
  - implementation of the decisions made by the General Assembly.
  - prepare and implement the workplan
  - collate road crash data
  - prepare the annual report on road crash data
  - support technical cooperation among Members.
- Membership
  - Governments in the Asia Pacific region
  - Represented by the highest national public governing authority with responsibility for road safety
  - Membership by expressing interest to the General Assembly.
  - Non-voting members - relevant stakeholders

# Structure (overview)

- Task Forces
  - Cover specific areas of interest as agreed by the General Assembly.
  - Led by the Members with technical support as required.
  - Report activities to the Steering Committee (monthly report) and to the General Assembly during the annual meeting.
- Secretariat
  - Establish, manage and maintain the road crash database, and produce an annual report for submission to the General Assembly and Steering Committee.
  - Develop statistical analysis of the road crash data and present the findings to the General Assembly
  - Facilitate and conduct technical research on road safety either directly or as part of the Task Forces.
  - Recruit specialist to provide inputs for the APRSO and/or the Task Forces as required.
  - Set up and manage the APRSO website
  - Carry out day to day operations and logistical support of the APRSO.
  - Manage APRSO's budget and prepare required financial reports.
  - Other tasks assigned by the Steering Committee.

# Membership Objectives

- Create an platform that can help coordinate international action to address road crash data and road safety activities across the Asian and Pacific regions.
  - A formal network of governmental representatives, with the desire to take actions to improve road safety in their countries.
  - A forum to share experiences, data and information regarding road safety policies and action, to conduct joint studies and to learn from each other and to facilitate co-operation.



# Membership Categories

1. Governments
2. UN System
3. Other Intergovernmental bodies
4. Organizations with an interest in road safety

**Thank you**

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