

Safety Management Systems Road traffic and transport

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physics, traffic theory, navigation safety, road safety, data, analysis

data-experts, civil engineers, psychologists, mathematicians, ...

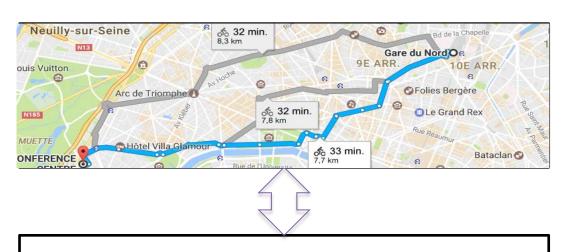
Pendant, SafetyNet, DaCoTA, SafetyCube, SaferWheels, SaferAfrica, ...

In depth analysis, data matching, empirical research, instrumented bicycles, ...

Crashes, mobility, hospital, violations, fleet, driving license, infrastructure, ...

Risk, distance travelled and casualties

Distance travelled





Casualties (road deaths, serious road injuries)



Risk determined by conditions and properties: **SPI's, measures, factors**



Improve safety by controlling risk factors



Road Safety Management Systems

Comparison between Road and rail/air/navigation:

- Hardly any professional users (except truck-taxi- and bus drivers)
- Very many different (road) authorities (municipalities, provinces)
- Enforcement: secondary police task
- Diversity in users (pedestrians, cyclists, trucks)
- Road users not always formally trained
- Guidelines (road design, enforcement) ignored



Road Safety is relatively poor

Road safety worldwide is a major problem

- 1.2million road deaths annually
- no internationally organised approach
- highly diversified problems
- very difficult to improve
- approaches are multiple
- it is everyone's problem, hence it is no one's problem



How to introduce an SMS in road safety

We need to distinguish two sectors:

- SMS in professional road transport organisations (a real challenge)
- SMS in road safety in general (the real challenge)



SMS for Professional road users

Some current Dutch SMS initiatives (ILenT)

- 1. System supervision
 - drive and rest times for truck drivers
 - truck overloading
 - regulations regarding transport of dangerous goods.
- 2. Weighing in Motion (WiM)
- 3. Safety Culture



SMS for road safety in general

- The safe system approach (OECD)
- Sustainable safety (NL)
- –Zero vision (SE)

A shared responsibility exists amongst those who design, build, maintain and use roads and vehicles and provide post-crash care to prevent crashes resulting in serious injury or death.

The only way to make road traffic safe is by professionally removing all risk factors of travellers.

The professionals need to take over.