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Road Safety Research: from FP7 to H2020



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Today's roadmap

- 1. The policy context*
- 2. Road safety challenges*
- 3. Road safety research areas*
- 4. Horizon 2020*

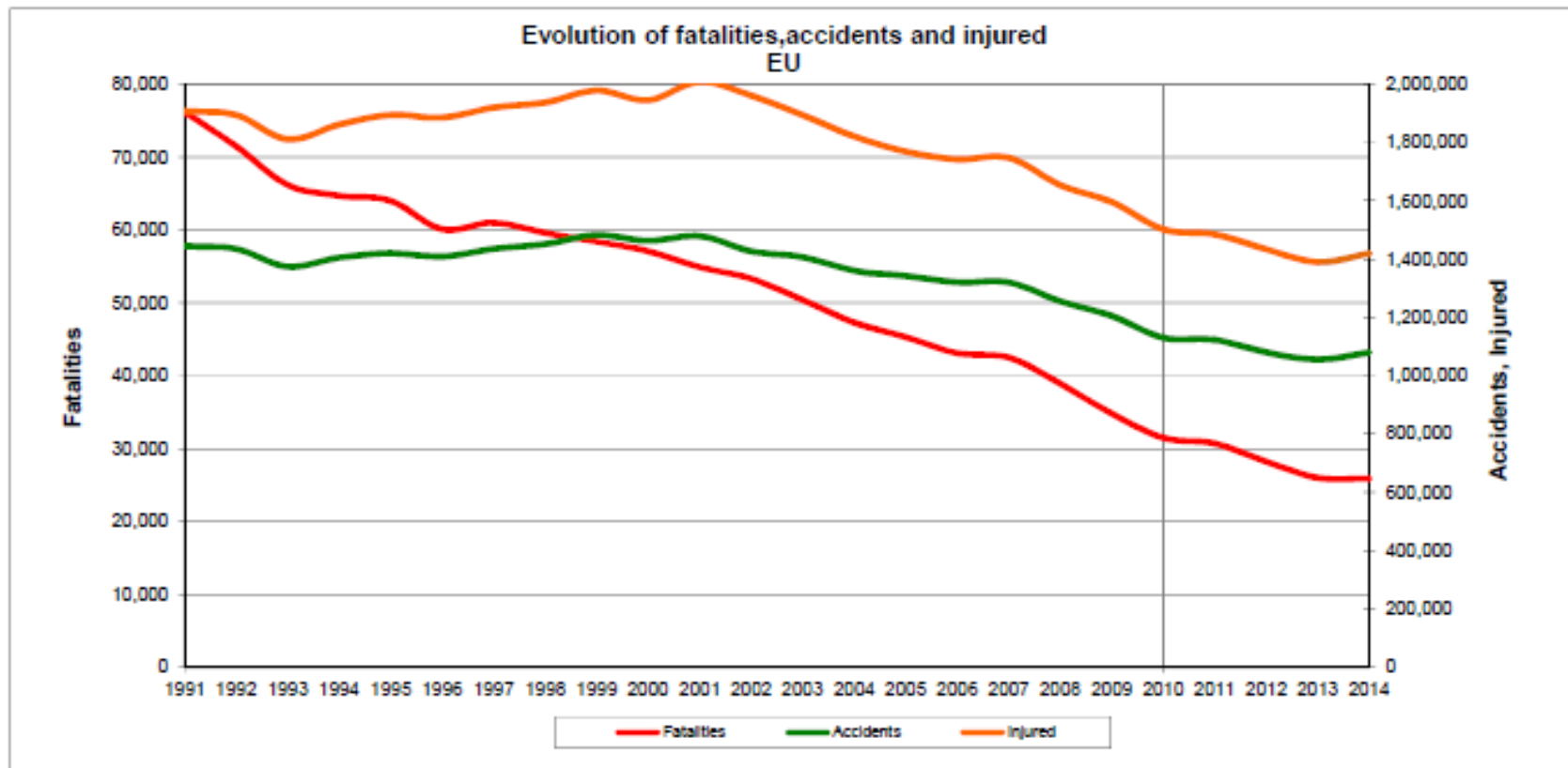
Transport White Paper 2011

Roadmap to a Single European Transport Area: Towards a competitive and resource efficient transport system

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions by at least 60%
- Halve the use of conventional cars in urban transport by 2030
- Increase the efficiency & capacity of the transport system
- **Move close to zero fatalities in road transport by 2050**



The extent of the problem



Source : CARE (EU road accidents database)

from http://ec.europa.eu/transport/road_safety/pdf/observatory/historical_evolution.pdf

Road Safety in Europe – ambitious new policy targets

- In addition to the Transport White Paper:
 - **EU Road Safety Action Plan 2011-2020 :**
aiming for a 50% reduction in fatalities between 2010 and 2020



Road Safety in Europe – key challenges *

- High risks for Vulnerable Road Users (2-wheelers, Pedestrians)
- Increasingly unsafe behaviour (drugs, medicines, distraction, use of mobile phones while driving, etc.)
- Growing number of serious injuries
- Missing investment in road infrastructure maintenance and construction
- New generation of alternatively powered, sub-compacts cars (EV)
- Incompatibility of vehicles and structures
- Ageing population

* source Commission staff working paper accompanying the Transport White paper

How do we achieve these ambitious targets?

EU road safety action plan sets out a number of initiatives focussing on improvements to **vehicles, infrastructure** and road **user behaviour**:

- Improved safety measures for trucks and cars
- Building safer roads
- Developing intelligent vehicles
- Strengthening licensing and training
- Better enforcement
- Targeting injuries
- A new focus on motorcyclists



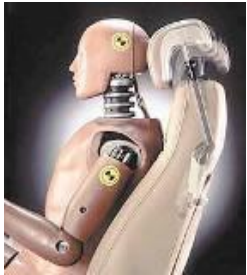
To be effective **this relies on an increase in complementary research and innovation**

Road Safety – FP7 Research areas



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**Ergonomics of
vehicles and seats**

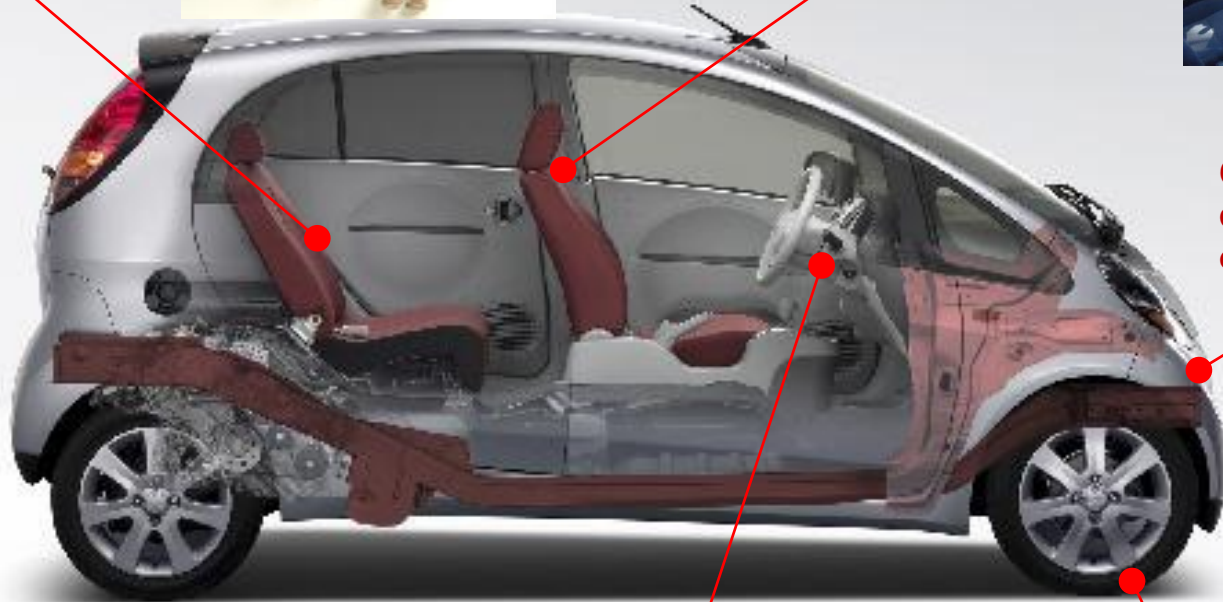


**Crash dummies,
biomechanics, virtual testing**

**Real-life observations of
driver behaviour**



**Compatibility and
crashworthiness
of vehicles**



**Safe road
infrastructure**



**Interaction between
innovative technologies
and drivers**

**Tyre/road interaction,
Skid resistance**



Societal Challenge 4 'Smart, green and integrated Transport':

Achieving a European transport system that is:

- resilient
- resource-efficient
- climate and environmentally friendly
- safe
- seamless
- competitive

...and that benefits citizens, economy and society

Safety in H2020 - the story so far (Call 2014/2015)

- **MG.3.4 - 2014:** Traffic safety analysis and integrated approach towards the safety of Vulnerable Road Users
→ 5 projects: SafetyCube, PROSPECT, InDeV, XCYCLE, SENIORS
- **MG. 8.2 - 2014:** Next generation transport infrastructure: resource efficient, smarter and safer
→ 1 project: USE-IT
- **MG. 3.6 - 2015:** Safe and connected automation in road transport
→ 4 projects: ADASANDME, VI-DAS, MAVEN, AutoMate

Safety in H2020 – Call 2016/2017

- A dedicated group of topics on Transport Safety for the first time:
 - aviation safety, maritime safety
 - **protection of road users,**
 - **infrastructure safety,**
 - **transport safety from a behavioural standpoint,**
 - **EU-Africa Road safety initiative.**
- Automated Road Transport call





*2016-2017: **6 topics***
***EUR 66 Mio** EU budget*

Context

- Safety improved across all modes over last 10 years
- EU targets for transport safety: halving road casualties by 2020, towards zero fatalities by 2050
- Aim: reducing accident rates, fatalities and injuries in each mode
- Increasing knowledge and awareness, developing technologies, products, services, solutions

Safety: topics and budget

Total EU contribution **EUR 66 Mio**



Topic	Title	Action type	Stages	Budget (EUR Mio)	
				2016	2017
MG-3.1	Addressing aviation safety challenges	RIA	2	15	
MG-3.2	Protection of all road users in crashes	RIA	2		14
MG-3.3	Safer waterborne transport and maritime operations	RIA	2	22	
MG-3.5	Behavioural aspects for safer transport	RIA	2		
MG-3.4	Transport infrastructure innovation to increase the transport system safety at modal and intermodal level	RIA	2	12	
MG-3.6	Euro-African initiative on road safety and traffic management	CSA	1	3	

Stage II:
29 Sept
'16

Protection of all road users in crashes



Topic MG-3.2-2017 (RIA)

Challenge

- Improving crash safety in case of accidents
- Developing fully integrated safety systems
- Transport user protection: keeping Europe's leadership

Scope

- Vehicle based systems
- Personal protection equipments
- Crash simulation tools, human body models

20 Sep'16: Call opens
26 Jan '17: Stage I
19 Oct '17: Stage II

Expected impact

- Contribute to reducing fatalities and injuries

Estimated EC contrib. per proposal: EUR 4-9 Mio

SMEs participation & Int. Cooperation encouraged

Twinning with projects funded by US DOT foreseen

Automated Road Transport



Detect vehicle location and environment



Vehicle-driver interface



User and social acceptance



Connectivity for advanced level of automation



Safe AD systems in complex traffic situations



Automation Pilots



Road infrastructure

R&I priorities



Call on "Automated Road Transport"



- ❑ Key priority in the H2020 Transport Research programme

- ❑ Indicative budget: € 114 Mio
- ❑ Published: 14 October 2015

- ❑ Focus:
 - Support short term introduction of automated driving systems for passenger cars, trucks and urban transport

 - "Large-scale Field Operational Tests" to test technologies in complex traffic and driving conditions



Call "Automated Road Transport" topics and budget



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ART-02	Automation pilots for passenger cars	IA	2		
ART-04	Safety and end-user acceptance aspects of road automation in the transition period	RIA	2	48	
ART-05	Road infrastructure to support the transition to automation and the coexistence of conventional and automated vehicles on the same network	RIA	2	13	
ART-06	Coordination of activities in support of road automation	CSA	1	3	26 Jan '16
ART-01	ICT infrastructure to enable the transition towards road transport automation	IA	2		
ART-03	Multi-Brand platooning in real traffic conditions	IA	2		50
ART-07	Full-scale demonstration of urban road transport automation	IA	2		

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IA = Innovation Action; RIA = Research and Innovation Action

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