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Dear Colleague,



It is always encouraging to hear when there is support pledged for road policing enforcement. A speech in Brussels last week by Vice-President Kallas's Head of Cabinet, Henrik Hololei, confirmed that enforcement remains high on the European political agenda, a statement welcomed by everyone in TISPOL.

Mr Hololei also took time to express concern about the slow-down in the reduction of road fatalities on a European scale. "Despite our previous successes in getting the numbers down, this is the slowest decrease in road deaths in a decade," he said. "Last year's reduction was around 2%, whereas normally it is around 6%. It is simply not acceptable for 85 people to die every day on Europe's roads. We should always remember that it only takes one road death to shatter a family's life."

However there is optimism for achieving the 'vision zero' of road fatalities by 2050 and for halving road casualties by 2020. Mr Hololei reported that there really had been great progress around the EU over the last 10 years. Road deaths have fallen by almost 45%.

The latest figures remind us that there is a long way to go, and a lot of work to do, if we are to achieve those targets. That is why TISPOL is committed to supporting the European Commission's vision, and to working with other stakeholders to ensure these targets are met.

Ian Hamill, General Secretary

Europe's road deaths: the way ahead

Read the details of an important speech by the EU Commissioner's Head of Cabinet at the ETSC Conference in Brussels.

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Swedish tactics focus on drink-drive victims

Results and analysis of a day's activity throughout Sweden, where more than 100 drivers were found to be 'over the limit'.

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Czechs and Germans co-operate in controls

Traffic police officers from the Karlovy Vary region of the Czech Republic have taken part in a transport control operation in the Federal Republic of Germany.

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Germany: speed control marathon

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