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The TISPOL Conference took place last week in Manchester. I was delighted to see the event so well attended, and am happy to be working through so much positive feedback from those who were there. The comments and suggestions will help greatly as we begin the process of planning next year's Conference.

The two days were busy and full, with excellent presentations and some great opportunities for more informal discussion and networking.

Our media team has put together a short video review of the Conference, which I hope you will enjoy.

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TISPOL makes good use of getting its people together at the time of the Conference. A meeting of the TISPOL Council also took place in Manchester last week, as well as meetings of the different TISPOL working groups. I had the opportunity to join some of these groups, and was impressed by the energy and enthusiasm of the different members. One particular theme was the importance of incorporating

transport security within the established road safety work that we do; this was a key area in many of the discussions last week, and it was encouraging to witness the willingness of everyone to share good practice and to look for opportunities to innovate.

I hope you will enjoy this Bulletin.

Ian Hamill (General Secretary)

Ireland: seasonal casualty reduction plan

The implementation of the Casualty Reduction campaign over the past four years has yielded a significant reduction in serious injuries and fatalities in the Dublin area. However, unfortunately, 2013 has seen an overall increase in road fatalities in the region, 14 to date which is an increase of 6 on this time last year. The Casualty Reduction Implementation campaign for [>> read full story](#)

Lithuania: police detain Belarussian speeder



One evening in May, on the Vilnius-Kaunas-Klaipeda highway, an automatic speed device recorded a performance car with a Belarussian licence number plate driving at 196 km/h (the limit is 100 km/h). There were other occasions during this journey when the driver was detected by automatic

devices, but he appeared to escape punishment. Finally, on Monday 16 September, during a control operation, Lithuanian traffic police officers finally got a chance to [>> full story](#)

Germany: First national Speed 'Blitz Marathon'

With the first state-wide 24-hour Blitz marathon, police forces and municipalities are toughening their fight against speeding throughout Germany. Speeders will be apprehended across federal borders in Germany on Thursday (10 October). The successful initiative to improve road safety is being conducted for the fifth time in the federal state of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW).



Characteristic of the Blitz-Marathon is the combination of intensive communication about the fatal consequences of speeding and the publication of control locations on the internet and in local and regional

media.

"The police stop speeders across the country following the example set by NRW. Speeding is killer number one on the roads everywhere," explained NRW Minister Ralf Jäger in Dusseldorf.

Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania's Minister of Home Affairs Lorenz Caffier stressed: "When it comes to road [>>> full story](#)

VIDEO: car driven with bonnet up on main road



A man has been caught on camera driving a car with its bonnet up on a busy dual carriageway in the south of England. He was seen on a 50mph stretch of the A31 dual carriageway near Cadnam in Hampshire with a battery charger attached to his engine.

The driver was filmed on Tuesday 1 October by a BBC journalist who was a passenger in a passing car.

Police are investigating the incident.

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