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Dear Colleague,



IT IS ALWAYS good when opportunities occur to raise the profile of European road safety and casualty reduction. Last week European Commission Vice President Siim Kallas warned member states that they must uphold the 2013 deadline for the Cross Border Enforcement Directive. Member states must now uphold the deadline of 7 November 2013, or risk facing infringement proceedings.

TISPOL has long recognised the need for a simple, effective system of enforcement that would treat all European citizens equally, whether or not they are in their home country. The police task of enforcement is undermined when national laws are not respected by visitors. Although there are a number of bi-lateral and multi-lateral agreements in place, they are frequently unable to deal with the increasingly complex cross-border problems posed by traffic offenders. TISPOL fully supports the Cross Border Enforcement Directive, which we know will be an essential step to saving lives on Europe's roads and to provide fair treatment for all EU citizens.

We know that effective enforcement leads to a rapid reduction in deaths and injuries, so we see this as a vital tool that will make a significant contribution to saving lives on Europe's roads.

Ian Hamill (General Secretary)

Cross Border Enforcement update

EC Vice President Siim Kallas warns that member states must uphold the 2013 deadline for implementation of the Directive.

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Britain to toughen its drug-drive law

Drug-driving in England and Wales could become a specific offence, with a potential jail term and fine, under a proposed new law.

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Interlocks work, US study shows

FIRST TIME drink-drive offenders are less likely to reoffend if they have to install alcohol interlocks on their vehicles, says the US Insurance Institute for Highway Safety shows.

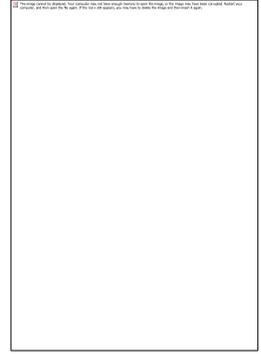
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Delegate bookings are brisk for our annual Conference taking place in Edinburgh on 2 and 3 October. Check out the details and book now.

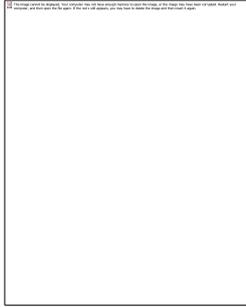
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NEW VIDEO: RPA officer exchange

Watch a new two-minute video from the French/Italian border where officers from 24 countries joined a two-day exchange last week.

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Improving compliance with road traffic law

Details of a one-day conference, organised by PACTS, which aims to set out the challenges the UK government faces

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