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Aidan Reid becomes TISPOL President

Congratulations to Aidan Reid, who has succeeded Koen Ricour as TISPOL President. Aidan is the TISPOL Council member for the Republic of Ireland, and head of the Garda National Traffic Bureau.

Aidan Reid's appointment comes at a time when Ireland has achieved an overall reduction of 52% in road fatalities between 2005 and 2013. Dublin has also achieved the safest roads of all EU capital cities.

Chief Superintendent Reid graduated with an MSc (Hons) in Police Leadership from University College Dublin (UCD) in 2010. He holds an Advanced Diploma in Executive Leadership, having completed modules in the Smurfit Business School, UCD and the John F. Kennedy School of Governance, Harvard, Cambridge, U.S.A.

He has served in An Garda Síochána with a broad range of Policing experiences in Crime and Drugs Investigations, Operations Support and Headquarters Branches.

Aidan Reid paid tribute to the loyalty and hard work of his precedessor, Koen Ricour of Belgium. "Koen has been at the TISPOL helm through some challenging times recently, and we know how much effort and energy he has put into the task. I am committed to following his example, and to ensuring that TISPOL's life-saving work goes from strength to strength."

We'll have a video interview with Aidan Reid in our next TISPOL

Bulletin, to be published on 21 October.

Welcome words of support from Commissioner-Designate Maroš Šefčovič

It was encouraging to hear Transport Commissioner-Designate Maroš Šefčovič make specific mention of safety in his opening remarks at the European Parliament on 30 September. In particular, he spoke of the need for a transport system with "the highest standards for safety and security."

He added: "There will be no compromise on safety, for all modes of transport. Europe will continue to be the safest transport area in the world."

TISPOL looks forward to playing its part in supporting the Commissioner, to deliver safe and secure roads for all European citizens.

2014 Conference 'a resounding success'

Last week's TISPOL Conference in Manchester was hailed by delegates and exhibitors alike as a great success. The excellent line-up of speakers delivered presentations on topics ranging from rapid extrication of road collision casualties through to eyesight tests for seniors, and from smart tachographs to driver distractions.

Siobhan O'Brien provided a sober reminder as to why we had gathered in Manchester. Injured for life following a collision in 2001, Siobhan spoke at the start of the Conference. "I'm now in a wheelchair because the right hand side of my body is severely compromised. I find it difficult to sustain concentration," she told the audience.

"My speech is affected. I become frustrated. Judgemental reasoning is affected. None of this is easy to admit to, but I know it's common among people who have acquired a brain injury."

Conference chair Rob Gifford made an excellent job of promoting healthy discussion across the two days, as well as ensuring that the event ran perfectly to time.

Supporting the speakers were exhibitors from across the industry sector, and plenty of time was made available for good conversations on product development and application.
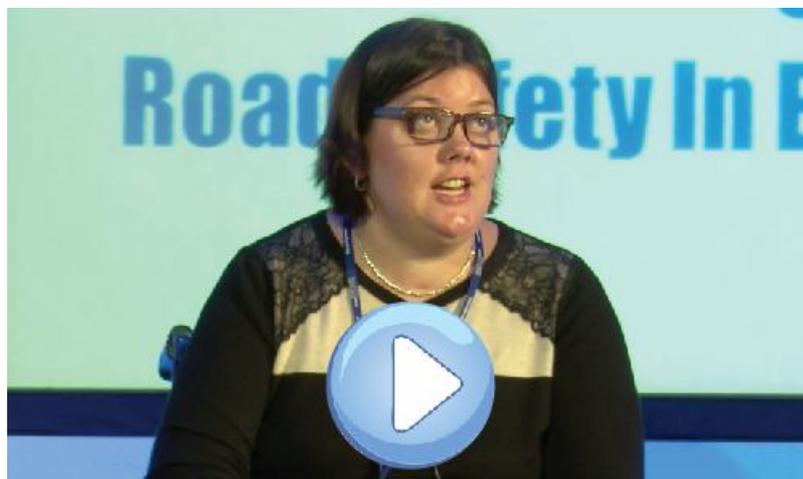
Conference take-away points to ponder

Conference chair Rob Gifford offered a number of areas for reflection as he summarised what he felt the Conference had achieved.

These included:

- It's about real people in real worlds.
- TISPOL has a key role in ensuring an effective advocacy for roads policing across the EU and beyond.
- Older people are an asset, not a liability.
- Every citizen in the EU and beyond has a right to safety and mobility. We mustn't lose one for the benefit of the other.
- Impairment and distraction are key issues for road safety.
- Campaigning, partnership and communications are critical to long-term success.

Watch a short video review of the Conference

Members of the Conference media team were busy during the two days at the Radisson Blu Hotel. Do please **watch the short video** of Conference highlights they have assembled:

Trivium 3: live broadcast from Birmingham

On Wednesday 22 October 2014 at 1300 UK time, TISPOL will be presenting a *LIVE 60-minute internet broadcast programme* to showcase the value, impact and good practice aspects of Operation Trivium 3.

The fully interactive programme, which is **FREE TO JOIN**, will come direct from the Trivium 3 Operations Centre in Birmingham, UK. It will include studio discussion and debate, as well as plenty of action footage recorded the same day with police officers across the UK and elsewhere in Europe.

Join us on Wednesday 22 October - and please encourage your colleagues and contacts to join us as well.

We'll be tweeting about the event using **#optrivium**, so please help us by tweeting, re-tweeting and generally raising the profile of the broadcast.

Click the image above to ensure you can watch the video, then on 22 October, just go to the same page (**www.tispol.org/trivium/**) where you can watch the programme and interact with your thoughts and comments.

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If you have any news stories, features, videos or pictures you would like us to include, please email **media@tispol.org** by Wednesday 15 October. Thank you.