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**MODEL ARTICLE ON ROAD SAFETY INFRASTRUCTURE
TRAINING COURSES**



RADAR – Risk Assessment on Danube Area Roads



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Abbreviation list

Abbreviation	Explanation
EU	European Union
RSA	Road Safety Audit
RSI	Road Safety Inspection
ViDA	Platform for Road Safety Analysis
iRAP	International Road Assessment Programme
EuroNCAP	The European New Car Assessment Programme
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
RADAR	Risk Assessment on Danube Area Roads
SENSoR	South East Neighbourhood Safe Routes

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Executive Summary

Roads knit people, communities, and markets together. They are the lifeblood of cities and regions. More so than any other mode, roads remain the predominant and universal transport network – but they are also the deadliest. The current rates of road fatalities and trauma are of epidemic proportions and have disastrous consequences for affected families, communities and societies. Each day, around 3,500 people are killed in road crashes and thousands more suffer life-changing injuries. Road crashes are the world’s leading cause of death for young people and are one of the most significant public health challenges of our generation. At current rates, 265 million people will be killed or seriously injured by 2030. The economic cost of serious road crashes is estimated to be up to ten percent of gross domestic product (GDP) in some countries.

The RADAR project is promoting positive road performance around Europe not only to implement learning and transnational cooperation activities to help the relevant organisations in the Danube area to identify risk on their networks but to help them reduce risk systematically by improving road infrastructure and roads’ layout. With Road Infrastructure Safety Training courses RADAR project analyses the road safety data that highlight the scale of the problem of road trauma in the region as well as trains local experts on how to perform road surveys and road safety analysis in ViDA software. The main theme of the three-day training courses is safe road infrastructure and its added value in ensuring road safety.

Investing in road infrastructure and making it self-explaining and forgiving means saving lives by guiding all who use roads.

1. Introduction

The main theme of three-day Road Infrastructure Safety Training Courses is the safe road infrastructure and its added value in ensuring road safety. RADAR project has conducted three-day training courses for engineers, road designers and other professionals involved in road safety, and representatives of road authorities who are responsible for planning, management and maintenance of roads. We also invite engineers / road safety auditors, who are performing the RSA and RSI procedures.

Road Infrastructure Safety Training courses will:

- Analyse the road safety data that highlights the scale of the problem of road trauma in the region;
- Demonstrate the methods and data required and for ranking infrastructure road safety priorities in each country of the Danube area;
- Present and explain the road design features that can reduce the frequency and severity of road crashes;
- Train local experts on how to perform road surveys and perform road safety analysis in ViDA software (vida.irap.org)

The RADAR project builds on the South East Neighborhood Safe Routes project, which enabled wide implementation of iRAP / EuroRAP Road Assessment procedures. Today they are implemented in more than 80 countries around the world. EuroRAP assessment of road safety and road safety parameters is a complementary programme to EuroNCAP programme that assesses the safety features of vehicles.

The useful value of iRAP procedures are, in addition to a uniform and globally comparable assessment of the condition and traffic safety parameters of roads and roadsides, so called Safer Roads Investment Plans. They include a set of verified low-priced measures, together with an estimate of their economic viability and an estimate of the number of serious or fatal injuries prevented. Trainings within the project will include an overview of all iRAP procedures, ways of collecting input data of road attributes, tools and procedures for evaluating roads and methods for displaying and interpreting the results.

1.1. *RADAR Road Safety Training deployed in ten countries*

Three-day in-person training with additional two days of webinar courses were deployed in Hungary, Slovenia, Montenegro, Croatia, Bulgaria, Moldova, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Austria and Czech Republic.

1.2. *About Model article on Road Infrastructure Safety Training Courses*

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