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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This document constitutes the outcomes of the Task 3.2 of Component 3 of the Road Safety Technical Assistance (TA) under the Results-Based Road Maintenance and Safety Project (RRMSP).

Among others, Component 3 “**Road Crash Data and Analysis System**” has the objective to train local stakeholders in the use of proactive tools and procedures for road traffic crash data collection and analysis.

A training course in data collection and analysis has been organized via teleconference, on the 17 and 18 March 2021. The training contents have been developed following the results of a stakeholders’ need assessment.

The main topics are:

1. Road safety national and international framework.
2. Road traffic crash data collection, validation and treatment.
3. Analysis of road traffic crash data, identification of causes.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AADT	Average Annual Daily Traffic
ADF	Albanian Development Fund
ANPR	Automated Number Plate Recognition
ARA	Albanian Road Authority
ARC	Albanian Road Code
ARDCS	Albania Road Design and Construction Standards
ARDM	Albanian Road Design Manual
ASP	Albanian State Police
ATC	Automatic Traffic Counts
ATP	Albanian Traffic Police
BSM	Blackspot management
CBMIE	Controlling Body in Ministry of Infrastructures and Energy
CSG	Central Steering Group
DRST	Directorate of Road Safety and Traffic
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EC	European Commission
EG	Expert Group at the local level
ERA	Emergency Response Albania
EU	European Union
GDRTS	General Directorate of Road Transport Services
GoA	Government of Albania
GRD	General Roads Directorate
IMRSC	Inter-ministerial Road Safety Committee
INSTAT	Institute of Statistics
IoT	Institute of Transports
IPA	Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance
iRAP	International Road Assessment Program
ITS	Intelligent Traffic System
JV	Joint Venture
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
MI	Ministry of Interior
MIE	Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NSM	Network Safety Management
PAMECA	Police Assistance Mission of the European Community to Albania
PIARC	World Road Association
QKUM	National Emergency Medical Center
RRMSP	Results-based Road Maintenance and Safety Project
RSA	Road Safety Audit
RSAIU	Road Safety Audit and Inspection Unit
RSI	Road Safety Inspection
RSIA	Road Safety Impact Assessment
RSM	Road Safety Management
RSS	Road Safety Sector

SEETO	South-East Europe Transport Observatory
TA	Technical Assistance
TERN	Trans European Road network
ToR	Terms of Reference
TS	Technical Secretariat
WB	World Bank
WHO	World Health Organization

1. Introduction

1.1 Overall Project Context and Consultative Approach

This document constitutes the outcomes of the Task 3.2 of Component 3 of the Road Safety Technical Assistance (TA) under the Results-Based Road Maintenance and Safety Project (RRMSP).

Among others, Component 3 “**Road Crash Data and Analysis System**” has the objective to:

- *Train agency staff (MoE and ARA) in diagnostic techniques and system applications, and police staff as well as health staff in basic data entry requirements.*

In particular, the Consultant is required to conduct theoretical and practical training on **road traffic crash data collection and analysis**, coherently with the concept plan for the development of a new national road traffic crash database and information system.

The training topics have been developed based on a stakeholders’ need assessment which clearly indicated as, primary need, to focus on crash data analysis. Crash data collection (especially for Traffic Police officers) was also deemed important in view of the implementation of an updated data collection form, compliant with CADaS requirements.

The training course took place via teleconference on 17 and 18 March 2021.

1.2 Training Course Objectives

The course was designed to provide road safety stakeholders (engineers, police officers, etc.) with a theoretical and practical knowledge of the importance of high quality road traffic crash data and of the methods recommended in Albania to collect and analyze these data (based on the agreed concept plan for a new system development). The training topics are especially coherent with the international practices and with the European standards (such as CADaS).

The training course allows for:

- understanding the scale and nature of the road traffic crash problem in Albania and how it compares internationally; road safety responsibilities; key road safety definitions; the principles of the globally endorsed Safe System Approach and accident causation.
- Understanding the importance of road safety within Albania and the global road safety targets.
- Learning how to identify the key data required for evidence-based road safety program planning, implementation, and evaluation.
- Learning How to conduct data analysis, identify key findings and present these impactfully to different audiences.

The course includes theory sessions, best practices and case studies taking into account the local practice.

1.3 Course Application Process

Two main topics have been focused for training purposes:

1. Road traffic data collection.
2. Road traffic data analysis.

The first topic is especially needed for road safety stakeholders (mainly Traffic Police officers) to be trained about the standard data collection form recommended for the next future in Albania (i.e. data collection form

compliant with CADaS standard). Road safety stakeholders should be aware of the changes compared to their current practices and should learn what road traffic crash variables should be collected and how.

The second topic is also related with the recommended changes, but it focuses on how data can be analysed and what kind of analysis can be useful for identifying road safety interventions (i.e. not only for statistical purposes).

1.4 Training Team

The training will be executed by **Dr Antonino Tripodi**, Civil engineer with a PhD in Transport Systems, who has fifteen years of professional experience in transport systems. In the past decade, he has undertaken national and international projects specializing in sustainable mobility and road safety, focusing on road crash databases and road crash analysis.

2. Training Course Content

The course is articulated over one day and three modules. The Training Course program is as follows.

	TOPIC
<i>Day 1</i>	
	Introduction and opening remarks
	<p><u>Module 1: Road safety national and international framework</u> <i>Presentation of road safety trends in terms of number of collisions and casualties. Explanation of the importance of data collection for evidence-based selection of strategies and interventions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National statistics and comparison with international statistics • The Safe System Approach and critical significance of data • Role of road crash data in road safety management • Benefits and requirements of road crash data: the importance of evidence base analysis
<i>Day 2</i>	
	<p><u>Exercise 1 – Road traffic crash data collection, validation and treatment</u> <i>Practical session focused on methodologies for collecting road crash data and storing the information.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simulation of road crash data collection using CADaS standard
	<p><u>Module 2 – Analysis of road traffic crash data, identification of causes</u> <i>Session focused on the analysis of road crash data. How to perform statistical analysis of crash data and how to identify main causes of crashes</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Definition of main road safety statistics • Use of risk exposure and KPIs • Selection and analysis of single road crash elements • Analysis of multiple road crash elements • Identification of main risk factors • Identification of road traffic crash causes • Example of data analysis and causes identification, and discussion with participants

The training material (slides, exercise material) is presented in Annexes.

3. Conclusions

The training on road traffic crash data collection and analysis provided additional opportunities to verify with the Albanian stakeholders the coherence of the methodologies and tools recommended through the study for the country needs. For instance, suggestions on how to improve the data collection forms for police forces and health services were assessed.

Annex A – Training slides

Annex B – Example of data collection form

A - CRASH RELATED INFORMATION																
Information about Officer compiling the form			A1 - Crash ID			A5 - Weather conditions			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	99
Name and Surname			A2 - Date			A6 - Light conditions			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	99
Designation			A3 - Time			A7 - Crash type			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Police station of			A4 - NUTS						1	2	3	4	5	6	99	
Service no									1	2	3	4	5	6	99	
Signature																

R - ROAD RELATED INFORMATION																		
R1 - Location Latitude			R6 - Speed limit 1st			R10 - Junction			0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	99	51
R2 - Location Longitud			R7 - Speed limit 2nd			R11 - Surface conditions			1	2	3	4	5	6	99			
R3 - Road code			R8 - Motorway			R12 - Carriageway type			1	2	3	4	99					
R4 - Fonct. class 1st			1	2	3	4	5	99	R9 - Urban area			1	2	99				
R5 - Fonct. class 2nd			1	2	3	4	5	99	R16 - Work related			1	2	99				
						R13 - Number of lanes			99									
						R14 - Tunnel			1			2			99			
						R15 - Bridge			1			2			99			

U - VEHICLE RELATED INFORMATION [VEH 1]																								
U1 - Vehicle ID			U3 - Special function			0	1	2	3	4	5	6	U7 - Vehicle model											
						7	8	9	10	99	52	U8 - Registration year												
U2 - Vehicle type			U4 - Trailer			0	1	2	3	99	U9 - Manoeuvre													
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	U5 - Engine power			0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	U6 - Vehicle make			13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
19	20	99	51	52	53	U10 - Hit&run			0	1	2	99	26	27	28	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	98	99
									U11 - Country															

U - VEHICLE RELATED INFORMATION [VEH 2]																								
U1 - Vehicle ID			U3 - Special function			0	1	2	3	4	5	6	U7 - Vehicle model											
						7	8	9	10	99	52	U8 - Registration year												
U2 - Vehicle type			U4 - Trailer			0	1	2	3	99	U9 - Manoeuvre													
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	U6 - Vehicle make			13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
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						7	8	9	10	99	52	U8 - Registration year												
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									U11 - Country															

PERSON RELATED INFORMATION [PER 1]																			
P1 - Vehicle ID			P8 - Road user type			0	1	2	3	99	P11 - License date								
P2 - Person ID			P9 - Alcotest			0	1	2	3	99	5			6	99	51			
P4 - Birth date			P10 - Alcotest results			0	1	2	3	99	P12 - License validity								
1	2	99							0	1	2	3	4	5	6	99	51		
P5 - Sex			P3 - Name & Surname						P13 - Safety equipment										
P6 - Nationality									7	8	9	99	51	52					
P7 - Injury severity									P14 - Seating position										
1	2	3	4	99	51				0	1	2	3	4	5	99	51			

PERSON RELATED INFORMATION [PER 2]																			
P1 - Vehicle ID			P8 - Road user type			0	1	2	3	99	P11 - License date								
P2 - Person ID			P9 - Alcotest			0	1	2	3	99	5			6	99	51			
P4 - Birth date			P10 - Alcotest results			0	1	2	3	99	P12 - License validity								
1	2	99							0	1	2	3	4	5	6	99	51		
P5 - Sex			P3 - Name & Surname						P13 - Safety equipment										
P6 - Nationality									7	8	9	99	51	52					
P7 - Injury severity									P14 - Seating position										
1	2	3	4	99	51				0	1	2	3	4	5	99	51			

PERSON RELATED INFORMATION [PER 3]																			
P1 - Vehicle ID			P8 - Road user type			0	1	2	3	99	P11 - License date								
P2 - Person ID			P9 - Alcotest			0	1	2	3	99	5			6	99	51			
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1	2	3	4	99	51				0	1	2	3	4	5	99	51			

LEGEND									
C6 - Crash type	1	Crash with pedestrian	C7 - Impact type	1	No impact	C8 - Weather conditions	1	Clear	
	2	Crash with parked vehicle		2	Rear end		2	Rain	
	3	Crash with fixed obstacle		3	Head on		3	Fog, mist, smoke	
	4	Non-fixed obstacle		4	Angle - same dir		4	Sleet, hail	
	5	Animal		5	Angle - opposite dir		5	Severe winds	
	6	Single vehicle crash/non-collision		6	Angle - right		6	Other	
	7	Crash with two or more vehicles		7	Angle - no dir specified		7	Unknown	
	8	Other crashes		8	Side by side - same dir		C9 - Light conditions	1	Daylight
R1 - Roadway type	1	Motorway / freeway	9	Side by side - opposite	2	Twilight			
	2	Express road	10	Rear to side	3	Darkness			
	3	Urban road, two way	11	Rear to rear	4	Dark - street lights unlit			
	4	Urban road, one way	R2 - Road functional class	1	Principal arterial	5		Dark - street lights lit	
	5	Road outside a built up area		2	Secondary arterial	6		Unknown	
	6	Restricted road		3	Collector	R6 - Junction	1	At-grade, crossroad	
	7	Other		4	Local		2	At-grade, roundabout	
	8	Unknown	V8 - Vehicle special function	1	No special function		3	At-grade, T or staggered junction	
R5 - Surface conditions	1	Dry		2	Taxi		4	At-grade, multiple junction	
	2	Slippery		3	Vehicle used as bus		5	At-grade, other	
	3	Wet, damp		4	Police / military		6	Not at grade	
	4	Flood		5	Emergency vehicle		7	Not at junction	
	5	Other		6	Commercial		8	Unknown	
	6	Unknown		P5 - Sex	7	Unknown	R7 - Traffic control	1	Authorized person
V9 - Vehicle manoeuvre	1	Reversing			1	Male		2	Stop sign
	2	Parked	2		Female	3		Give-way sign or markings	
	3	Entering or leaving a parking position	3	Unknown	4	Other traffic signs			
	4	Slowing or stopping	P6 - Road user type	1	Driver / Rider	5		Automatic traffic signal (working)	
	5	Moving off		2	Passenger / Pillion	6		Automatic traffic signal (out of order)	
	6	Waiting to turn		3	Pedestrian	7		Uncontrolled	
	7	Turning		4	Other	8		Other	
	8	Changing lane		5	Unknown	P8 - Injury severity	1	Fatal injury	
	9	Avoidance manoeuvre	P7 - Seating position	1	Front		2	Serious / severe injury	
	10	Overtaking vehicle		2	Rear		3	Slight / minor injury	
	11	Straight forward / normal driving		3	Not applicable		4	No injury	
	12	Other		4	Other		5	Unknown	
	13	Unknown		5	Unknown	P11 - Alcohol use	1	Yes	
P9 - Safety equipment	1	Seatbelt / Helmet worn	P10 - Pedestrian manoeuvre	1	Crossing		2	No	
	2	Seatbelt / Helmet not worn		2	Walking on carriageway		3	Not applicable	
	3	Not applicable		3	Standing on carriageway		4	Unknown	
	4	Unknown		4	Not on carriageway	P12 - Drug use	1	Yes	
V3 - Vehicle type	1	Bicycle		5	Other		2	No	
	2	Other non-motor vehicle		6	Unknown		3	Not applicable	
	3	2-3 wheel motor vehicle			4		Unknown		
	4	Passenger car							
	5	Bus / Coach / Trolley							
	6	Light goods vehicle (<3.5 t)							
	7	Heavy Goods vehicle (>3.5 t)							
	8	Other motor vehicle							
	9	Unknown							