

## ASECAP Vision on Road Safety

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ASECAP Members have a long standing commitments towards road safety and they have been investing a great amount of resources to deliver the safest conditions to drivers. All the efforts and work put into better road safety management have led to very positive results as fatality rate has decreased by more than 60 % in the last decade along the entire ASECAP network, meaning 47 lives saved each year.



ASECAP constantly cooperates with the EU institutions sharing its expertise and knowledge on the measures and technologies needed to be deployed along the European road network. ASECAP strongly supports a long-term strategy to provide the safest conditions on the European Road infrastructure and fulfill the 2020 vision of zero road fatalities. As the recent EU figures have underlined, we

are not in track to achieve the 2020 goals and therefore more efforts are needed at EU level.

The future of the 'safety triangle' – vehicle, infrastructure and driver – depends closely on the more effective interaction and efficient sharing of information between these three fundamental components. Undoubtedly 'automotive vehicles' or 'autonomous driving' will shift the current safety paradigm limiting the human factor.

Nevertheless I deem that the future of road safety relies on the close cooperation between the different actors involved in order to make sure that smart technologies, smart vehicles and smart infrastructure are the result of smart choices made by policy makers.



**As President of ASECAP I want to stress our commitment:**

- **TO IMPLEMENT** the safety requirements across the ASECAP network as required by the European safety directives;
- **TO APPLY** a technology oriented approach in order to deploy the safest technologies on our roads;
- **TO CONTINUOUSLY IMPROVE** the safest conditions in order to provide the best services to European citizens;
- **TO EXCHANGE AND SHARE** our knowledge and expertise on safety operations and procedures.

