TOLL MOTORWAYS, A SAFER TRIP IN EUROPE

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Motorway safety features

Every motorway section respect prescribed geometrical standards (i.e., minimum radius, vertical curves, etc) and preserve balance between horizontal and vertical alignment in order to guarantee a right perception of road characteristics and to prevent optical illusions.

Motorways are characterised by the best visual guidance

Motorways are designed according to drivers' based constraints

The road ahead

ASECAP is working on safety by means of a permanent Committee on Road Safety, that in Prague held 2 workshops, on the application of the EU 2004/54 and 2009/96 Directives. ASECAP members are ready to offer, as they did in the framework of the first EU action plan, their experience to the new Road Safety Action Plan on subjects such as: EU directives implementation, safety indicators, rescue services, e-call, traffic information, maintenance, speed control, signalization (fixed and variable), safety in work-zones, giga-liners, safety education and campaigns, etc.

What results

All the elements described, added to regular and planned maintenance and to careful and proper management, make toll motorways safer than any other kind of road. Thanks also to the constant engagement of all the operators and of the manufacturers funds devoted to design and operation.

But the engagement of ASECAP's members goes even beyond and it regards also continuous and considerable funding for road safety research and for projects on new and more efficient systems to preserve citizens' life.

ASECAP's Members successfully contributed to EU goal of reducing the number of road fatalities in Europe

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welcomes the launch of a new action plan, ... and encourages the EU institutions to work their best to promote road safety and make it unnoticeable in the European citizens way of life.

believes that the targets of the next Action Plan must be as ambitious as those of the previous one, but also that ... the many components of road safety need to be addressed in order to make the targets achievable.

considers of the utmost importance a correct assessment on how an EU Action Plan can operate in the various countries, ... such an assessment has been made in the past, but not always in a consistent manner. In any case, such an assessment must be based on objective parameters and shared concepts, and on the road operators' and citizens' appreciation that, rather than contribute to the safety of the European citizens, would further expand them by neglecting to address the right objectives.

Thanks for your attention

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