

ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS AND INJURIES: A FAST GROWING GLOBAL EPIDEMIC

Ten reasons to act:

- More than 1.3 million people die every year
- Road crashes kill more people than Malaria
- 50 million are injured, many disabled as a result
- 90% of these casualties occur in developing countries
- 5. Annual deaths are forecast to rise to 1.9 million by 2020
- 6. This is the No.1 cause of death for young people worldwide
- 7. By 2015 it will be the leading health burden for children over 5 in developing countries
- 8. The global economic cost is more than US\$500 billion, in developing countries it is \$100 billion equal to all overseas aid
- 9. Injuries place immense burdens on hospitals and health systems
- 10. Road crashes *are* preventable

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Lower respiratory infections Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	3	pulmonary disease
	4	Lower respiratory infections
Diarrhoeal diseases	5	Road traffic crashes
HIV/AIDS	6	Trachea, bronchus, lung cancers
Tuberculosis	7	Diabetes mellitus
Trachea, bronchus, lung cancers	8	Hypertensive heart disease
Road traffic crashes	9	Stomach cancer
Prematurity and low birth weight		HIV/AIDS
Neonatal infections and other		Nephritis and nephrosis
Diabetes mellitus		Suicide
Malaria	†	Liver cancer
Hypertensive heart disease		Colon and rectum cancer
Birth asphyxia and birth trauma	<u> </u>	Oesuphagus cancer
Suicide		Homicide
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Nephritis and nephrosis		Breast cancer
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UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 2nd March 2010:

"Proclaims the period 2011-2020 as the Decade of Action for Road Safety,
with a goal to stabilize and then reduce
the forecast level of road traffic fatalities around the world"

DECADE LAUNCH.

TIME FOR ACTION
11 MAY 2011



A global launch consisting of "rolling" national launch events in every time-zone of the world, beginning in the Pacific and ending on the west coast of the Americas.

Each national launch could include some or all of the following:

- One-hour media event with heads of state, government ministers dignitaries, celebrities, RTI victims and others
- Release of national plans for the Decade and/or a new road safety initiative
- Include the road safety Tag in your events and activities



Some common elements that could be adopted around the world:

- Video statements from heads of government/heads of state - film a senior member of your government endorsing the Decade of Action (and make sure they wear a Tag!) This request is more likely to succeed if made by your country's official Decade organiser.
- 'I/we want action because...' statements by individuals (could be filmed, written, artistic, photographic). Build collections of personal statements of what the Decade means for people everywhere.
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Some common elements that could be adopted around the world:

- Tag hung or projected onto major international landmarks on the night of 10 / day of 11 May 2011. Seek permission from your city authority to hang or project the Tag onto a famous building or statue as a way to gain public awareness and media attention
- Tag projected onto famous clock faces (Time for Action). Every six seconds someone is killed or seriously injured on the world's roads – so you don't need to project for long to make your point!
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SUGGESTED TIMELINE FOR NATIONAL LAUNCH:

Nightfall - 10 May 2011

Project Tag onto famous clockface / landmark / national building with message: 'Time for Action'

Morning - 11 May 2011

National political/media event to mark Decade of Action and launch national plan of action or significant road safety announcement: government ministers, celebrities, road safety stakeholders, public etc.

Include a photo-call involving the Tag.







You could plan events, big or small, to mark the launch of the Decade in your own communities, schools or workplaces:

- Hand over a Tag to your mayor or local political representative, to raise awareness
- Involve a local sports club like your football club
- Organise a sponsored walk to raise money for road safety activities
- Invite the police or other emergency services to talk to children or students about the consequences of road crashes
- Start a national/local Tag Facebook group; write to your local newspaper...
- ...remember to use the Tag in all your activities



The 'Tag' is the new global symbol for the road safety movement around the world.

Use the Tag in your national, regional or community activities to build awareness of road safety.

- Encourage celebrities and sports stars to wear and endorse the Tag
- Become a national licencee to produce and distribute the Tag

For more information on how to get and use the Tag visit www.decadeofaction.org



Make the Tag an important part of your communications, it can unify, making people feel part of the global Decade and our shared motivational objective:

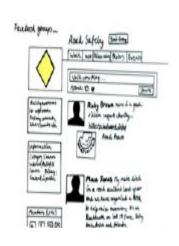
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We can Save
Millions
of lives.



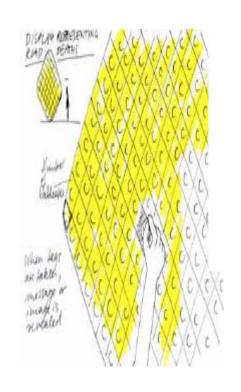




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Facebook groups



Public Displays



Something more ambitious...



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'TIME FOR ACTION' 11 MAY 2011



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UN ROAD SAFETY COLLABORATION



MORE INFORMATION:

Go to the following websites:

The UN Road Safety Collaboration (UNRSC), led by the World Health Organization, is coordinating the Decade of Action for Road Safety.

Bringing together UN agencies and regional commissions, governments, NGOs and the private sector, the UNRSC has developed a Decade Action Plan which sets out a 'safe systems' framework to guide national activity through the Decade of Action.

Check the official websites of the Decade of Action for information, events, and advice, and for updates on plans for the launch of the Decade on 11 May 2011.

http://www.who.int/roadsafety/decade_of_action

http://www.decadeofaction.org



DECADE OF ACTION FOR ROAD SAFETY 2011-2020

Remember...

11 May 2011 is just the beginning of a ten year campaign.

Use the Decade launch to raise awareness and build alliances for sustainable road safety action throughout the Decade of Action.

Wear the Tag

Believe in our collective ability to achieve the Decade goals

Act.



