



EXPERT MEETING
PREPARATION OF A DELEGATED ACT
TOWARDS SPECIFICATIONS FOR PRIORITY ACTION (D)
THE HARMONISED PROVISION FOR AN INTEROPERABLE EU-WIDE eCALL

Summary record of the Meeting on 29 May 2012
TEN-T Executive Agency, Brussels

Chairman: Morning: Mr. Pawel Stelmasczyk, Head of Unit, DG MOVE C3, Intelligent Transport Systems

Afternoon: Mr. Gzim Ocakoglu, Team Leader, DG MOVE C3, Intelligent Transport Systems

Participants: See detailed attendance list in the Annex

1. WELCOME AND TOUR DE TABLE

The Chairman welcomed the participants to this second specific meeting with experts appointed by the Member States, the European Parliament (EP) and the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS) to follow the process of elaboration of specifications under Directive 2010/40/EU ("ITS Directive").

The meeting was dedicated to the specifications for Priority Action (d) on **the harmonised provision for an interoperable EU-wide eCall**.

The Chairman reminded that the scope of the meeting was not to discuss the next steps after the adoption of specifications, i.e. follow-up Directive, nor to re-open the discussion on the mandatory implementation of eCall.

He reminded also that the Commission has adopted on 8 September a Recommendation on the part of eCall regarding mobile communication networks, and that today's meeting was the second meeting (first meeting took place on 13 October 2012) addressing the PSAP (Public Safety Answering Point) part of eCall.

The Chairman gave an overview of the Agenda and the objectives of the day:

- first short presentations from involved DGs on the regulatory measures.
- feedback from HeERO project on data protection measures and costs of PSAPs upgrade.
- presentation of the working document on specifications that has been sent to the experts.
- feedback from experts and discussion.

These welcoming words were followed by a Tour de Table where all participants briefly introduced themselves and the institution they were coming from.

2. REGULATORY MEASURES - UPDATE

The Chairman reminded the first meeting of 13 October 2011 and introduced the updated minutes of this first meeting. Written contributions have been received from one expert and have been taken into account in the updated minutes. With these changes, the minutes were approved.

The Chairman invited DG INFSO and DG ENTR to present an update on the regulatory measures.

DG INFSO presented the status of the implementation of the Commission Recommendation of 8 September 2011 on support for an EU-wide eCall service in electronic communication networks for the transmission of in-vehicle emergency calls based on 112 ('eCalls'). The presentation was based on the reports provided by Member States according to art. 6 of the Recommendation and showed that many MS considered that the Recommendation was sufficient while other insisted that this may not be sufficient. An update on the work on standardisation was also provided: all eCall standards have been approved by ETSI and CEN with the exception of the "end-to-end conformance test" which is currently being finalised by CEN.

DG ENTR informed of their intention to complete the Draft Proposal for regulation under the vehicle type-approval legislation (amending Framework Directive 2007/46/EC) for the mandatory deployment of the in-vehicle 112 eCall part after the own initiative report from the European Parliament would be adopted.

3. FEEDBACK OF CURRENT INITIATIVES (HeERO)

The Chairman thanked DG INFSO and DG ENTR and invited the Project Coordinator of the HeERO eCall pre-deployment pilot to present the feedback of the project, notably on data protection and costs of PSAPs upgrade aspects.

The Chairman thanked the Project Coordinator of the HeERO project and opened the floor to the MS experts for feedback/questions/comments.

Main remarks/points raised:

- Operational costs may not be negligible and should be accounted for.
- The high cost of the integration/handling of eCalls into existing systems/software.
- Costs of training have to be added to the investment costs.

4. WORKING DOCUMENT ON SPECIFICATIONS

The Chairman thanked all participants for the discussion, and invited DG MOVE to present the working document on specifications.

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5. FEEDBACK FROM EXPERTS AND DISCUSSION

The Chairman reminded the importance of consultation with Member States experts on the preparation of specifications for PSAPs, and opened the floor to the MS experts for feedback/questions/comments.

Main remarks/points raised by the MS include :

- The need to add and/or refine some definitions.
- The issue of VIN decoding, because of lack of complete standardisation and reference registers.
- The need for education and awareness campaigns, in order to reduce the number of silent and non-emergency calls.
- The possibility of alignment of reporting with other reporting obligations.

6. NEXT STEPS TOWARDS SPECIFICATIONS

The Chairman thanked all participants for the discussion, and informed them that an updated working document with modifications in track changes would be sent as soon as possible, to be discussed in the next meeting. Next meeting would also include a discussion on the background part of the working document and a presentation on the decoding of the VIN.

7. END OF MEETING

The Chairman informed that the next meeting would take place on 19 June 2012, thanked all the participants and closed the meeting.

ATTENDANCE LIST

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Date: **29 May 2012**, 10h30 – 16h30 - Venue: W910 00/41 - SG code: E01941

Participants
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Norway
Switzerland
European Commission
European Parliament
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