

*“Autonomous vehicles and road safety: towards new training modules for drivers and driving instructors”. - Brussels, 16 May 2019*



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## Overview of the driving schools in Europe: current issues and needs.

### How can driving schools benefit from simulators in relation to AV?

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- Move headquarters to Brussels
- Increase cooperation with Universities and Research Centers
- Strengthen collaboration with different Road Safety Associations

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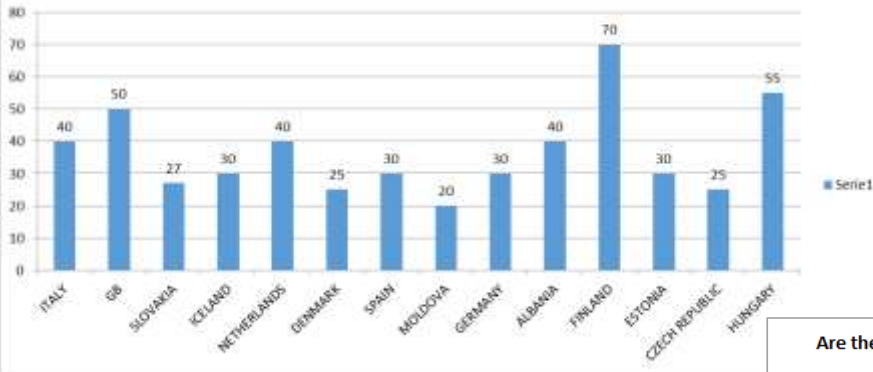


- Define exportable quality standards for Drivers and Driver Instructors
- Develop Road Safety Campaigns to raise user awareness
- Take part of new European Projects

Novice drivers		IRELY	GB	BELGIUM	ICELAND	NETHERLANDS	DENMARK	SPAIN	HUNGARY	GERMANY	ALBANIA	FINLAND	ESTONIA	CZECH REPUBLIC	ROMANIA	Yes (%)	No (%)
1	Do you have to pass a medical check to obtain a driving license?	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	11	8
2	Is it possible start training for a car B license before the age of 18 years?	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	33	6
3	Road Signs, Notices of Defects or, Documents and Car Maintenance: are these topics included in theory program for car B license?	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	54	0
4	Are there compulsory driving theory lessons in your Country?	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	30	4
5	Is a Hazard Perception Test required?	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	4	33
6	After theory test the practical begins training begins?	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	6	49
7	Is the testing organization a governmental institution (G) or a private enterprise (P)?	G	G	G	P	G	G	G	G	P	G	G	G	G	G	33	2
8	Is B theory test compulsory?	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	15	3
9	How many questions are there in a B theory test?	40	30	27	30	40	25	30	30	30	40	30	30	25	35		
10	Are the category B theory test questions published?	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	7	7
11	Is a learner's permit essential before training begins?	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	30	4
12	Are there compulsory elements in the practical training?	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	50	4
13	Is a log book with a record of training compulsory?	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	0	5
14	Are simulators used in the training? Please indicate if it is a voluntary (V) or compulsory (C) element	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	33	1
15	Are parents and other qualified drivers allowed to accompany learner drivers when they are practicing?	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	8	4
16	Is there compulsory second phase (grand license) training?	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	1	10
17	Is there a minimum learning period (e.g. six months/100 hours) before the driving test?	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	6	8
18	Are any new licenses placed on novice drivers BEFORE (e.g. based on passengers, driving at night, urban/poorly-lit road) or AFTER systems?	No		No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	0	0
19	Are any technology systems (ADAS) allowed during the driving exam?	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	7	7
20	Is the Theory Exam price regulated by law (L) or by Market (M)?	M	L	M	L	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	33	3
21	Is the Training price regulated by law (L) or by Market (M)?	M	M	M	L	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	M	33	3

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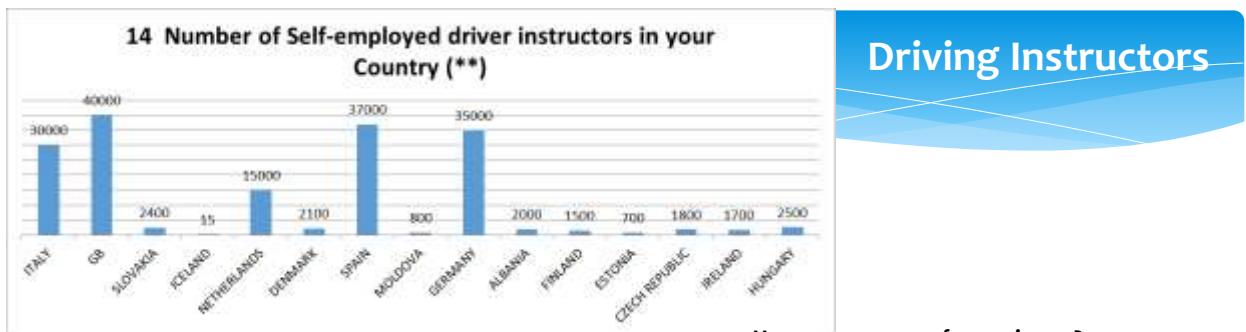
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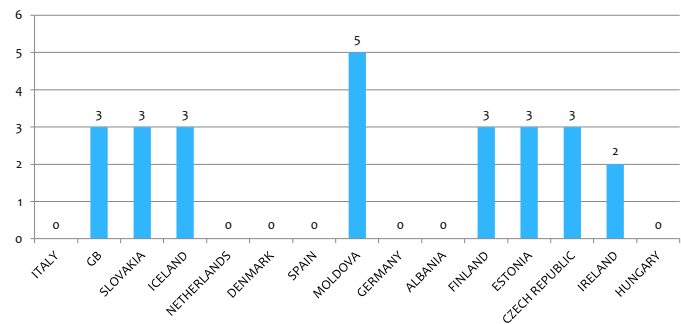
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## Driving Instructors

	ITALY	GB	SLOVAKIA	ICELAND	NETHERLANDS	DENMARK	SPAIN	MOLDOVA	GERMANY	ALBANIA	FINLAND	ESTONIA	CZECH REPUBLIC	IRELAND	HUNGARY	Yes /V/G	No/C/S
1 Minimum age to become driving instructors	24	21	25	21	18	24	20	23	21	30	21	21	24	19,5	23		
2 Is a secondary school diploma requested to become instructor?	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	10	5
3 How many years of experience ?	0	3	3	3	0	0	0	5	0	0	3	3	3	2	0		
4 Is a periodic health check foreseen?	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	2	13
5 Is the Instructors training voluntary (V) or compulsory (C) ?	C	V	C	C	V	C	C	C	C	C	V	C	C	V	C	4	11
6 Do you have to pass any exam?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	15	0
7 Is the education of driving instructors teachers general (G) or specific (S)?	G	G	S	G	G	S	S	G	G	S	G	S	G	G	S	9	6
8 Is it allowed to use a simulator for driving instructors initial training?	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	6	9
9 As a driving instructor/ teacher, do you have to attend at periodical training course?	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	6	9
10 If the answer to the question 9 is "Yes", are driving simulators used in the periodic training?	No	/	No	/	/	No	/	/	No	/	/	Yes	/	/	No	1	5
11 Do you have to pass any exam to confirm the maintenance of your skills?	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	7	8
12 If the answer to the question 9 is "No", do you think an updating course is necessary?	/	Yes	/	Yes	Yes	/	Yes	Yes	/	Yes	Yes	/	Yes	Yes	/	9	0
13 Number of driving schools in your Country	7000	40000	650	200	8000	1200	8300	200	7000	400	500	250	1800	1700	700		
14 Number of Self-employed driver instructors in your Country	30000	40000	2400	15	15000	2100	37000	800	35000	2000	1500	700	1800	1700	2500		
15 Are there specific requirements to open a new driving school in your Country?	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	11	4



**2 How many years of experience ?**



## Conclusions

- The overall approach in Europe is quite different, even if people with a driving license can drive on all the European roads.
- The use of driving simulators could help for a better training, but without a common approach, the differences in skills acquired will be increased
- A common approach is needed for autonomous vehicles, too

**We need indications and suggestions for new standards**

## Pilot Action (including a Summer school)

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TRAINEE proposal

MODULE	Hours	UNITS	VALIDATION
Autonomous Vehicles	12	U1: Introduction to the Autonomous vehicles and the SAE Classification U2: Overview ICT systems in the autonomous vehicles: Radar, Lidar, Infrared sensors and Artificial intelligence U3: Advantages and limits of the new technologies	Multiple choice test
Road safety and human behaviour	8.0	U4: Road safety issues related to the introduction of Autonomous vehicles U5: Human behaviour and Vulnerable Road Users	Multiple choice test
Use of advanced driving simulators	16	U6: The transitional period towards a wide deployment of AVs (Sae Level 4): how to deal with an evolving mixed traffic U7: The use of driving simulators for an advanced drivers training	Multiple choice test