Form for requesting establishing of a new THE PEP Partnership by the Steering Committee

Partnership Description

1. Name of the Partnership

THE PEP Partnership on EcoDriving (PED)

2. Objective

To support the development and implementation of Eco-Driving at national and local level and elaborate guidelines, tools as well as practical trainings to assist Member States.

3. Scope and purpose

The partnership addresses the following elements:

- Disseminate knowledge and best practices about the concept of EcoDriving and approaches to its implementation with cars, trucks and buses and agricultural tractors;
- Exchange experiences among partners interested in the promotion of EcoDriving for professional and non-professional drivers;
- Provide opportunities for testing EcoDriving training approaches, notably within the context of THE PEP relay/race events, other international and national conferences and events;
- Promote the establishment of training technical twinning programs between interested partners;
- Promote the development of harmonized criteria for certification schemes and training materials for trainers and driving schools;
- Develop approaches to the assessment of the effectiveness of EcoDriving and the successful continuation of EcoDriving behaviour over time.
4. List of initial partners

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Possible Future partners, who expressed their interest:
- Belarus
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- China
5. Management arrangements

Lead Partners:
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Coordination Mechanism
Partners will primarily communicate via E-Mail. The lead partner will inform participating partners by E-mail about planned activities and for exchanging information. Besides information via E-mail a focus is set on personal communication and training as well. Therefore pilot training seminars and pilot workshops in two member states, namely Kazakhstan and Russian Federation, have already been conducted. As these formats proved to work successfully, it is planned to induce further pilot-trainings and workshops.

Requested role of and support from the secretariat:
- Support for meeting organization
- Contact persons in Member States and links to THE PEP national focal points
- Support for the active involvement for representatives of eligible Member States
- Presenting the THE PEP framework in meetings/workshops
- Support in reporting to Steering Committee

6. Target groups

PED is addressing the following target groups:
- Representatives for energy efficiency in transport from member states
- European fleet operators
- International financing institutions (Worldbank, EIB, etc.)
- European Commission (relevant DGs)
- Other relevant international organisations (polis, EPOMM, etc.)

EcoDriving, the fuel saving, modern driving style has great potential to improve transport’s health and environmental balance by saving energy and reducing greenhouse gas emissions, reducing health risks from hazardous air pollutants and enhancing traffic safety by a forward looking, relaxed driving style. The partnership therefore contributes to the priority goals 1, 2 and 3 of the Paris Declaration 2014.

8. Work plan and specific expected deliverables for 2-4 years

1. Formation of the EcoDriving Task Force of the THE PEP Member States, its scope and purpose (2014)
2. Development of national/regional EcoDriving programs, including twinning programs
3. EcoDriving pilot trainings and workshops (started in 2014)
   - Exchange of information and experience on EcoDriving from the member states
   - Present lessons learned from THE PEP pilot trainings
   - Review of training materials on EcoDriving for light and heavy duty vehicles
   - Recommendations for launching national programs
   - Certification scheme for EcoDriving-trainers
   - Guidelines for EcoDriving training monitoring and assessment
7. Integration of EcoDriving into national regulations for driver training and education (2016-2019)

Especially the last three work plan tasks are potential contributions to the next High-level Meeting in 2019.
9. Reporting and monitoring

PED will provide regular updates of the current status of implementation to the governing bodies of THE PEP.

10. Expected financial management

The activities of the partnership are funded by the participating Member States as according to their possibilities (financial and/or in kind contribution) and competences. Practical trainings and workshops (twinning programs) are financed by the host country, covering the costs where the training takes place.

Documentation

11. Relevant accompanying document


Letters of intent are not required as per decision of the Steering Committee at its 13th Session regarding existing THE PEP Partnerships. PED was already launched in 2014 and two pilot trainings and workshops were already conducted.