African Regional Network for Road Safety Legislators

Network Terms of Reference

The African Regional Network for Road Safety Legislators is established as a regional Chapter of the Global Network for Road Safety Legislators¹ to:

1. Provide a platform for legislators on the African continent serving in national and regional parliaments, cities, and local authorities, responsible for road safety strategies, policies and laws to set priorities and exchange best practice in road injury prevention
2. Support advocacy and the legislative process required to improve road safety at municipal, country and regional levels.
3. Encourage stronger active engagement by legislators from African countries in the above-specified goals, including in country, regional and global parliamentary bodies, through direct advocacy, social media channels and other mechanisms.
5. Endorse the Manifesto #4RoadSafety² issued by the Global Network for Road Safety Legislators which highlights the strategies, policies and laws that can help prevent this road traffic carnage.
6. Endorse the WHO Save LIVES package³, an evidence-based inventory of priority interventions with a focus on Speed management, Leadership, Infrastructure design and improvement, Vehicle safety standards, Enforcement of traffic laws and post-crash Survival.

Leadership Council

- A Chair and two Vice-Chairs will be agreed upon by consensus at during an annual meeting for a term of two years.
- The Leadership Council is composed of the legislators who took part in the 2018 inaugural meeting representing Benin, Cameroon, Ghana, Nigeria, Senegal, Tanzania and Uganda.
- If the Chair or Vice-Chair is no longer in office, the Leadership Council may select another legislator for the remainder of the term (this may be done via electronic means).

Roles and responsibilities of the Leadership Council

- Set the agenda and priorities for the Network’s activities.
- Communicate and disseminate information about the Network.
- Consistent with WHO policies, ensure that there is no direct or indirect support or involvement from tobacco, alcohol or arm’s dealing.

Membership on the African Regional Network

The African Regional Network for Road Safety Legislators will be open to Legislators actively engaged in improving road safety laws, regulations and policies from all Member States in the African continent by endorsing the Manifesto #4Road Safety⁴.

¹ Visit: http://www.4roadsafety.org/
² Visit: http://www.4roadsafety.org/manifesto-4roadsafety/
⁴ For a listing of Member States in the WHO Africa Region, visit: http://www.afro.who.int/
Secretariat

The African Regional Network for Road Safety Legislators will be hosted by WHO. The Secretariat will be responsible for:

- Supporting planning and convening of meetings and activities
- Providing periodic updates on global events
- Hosting the website

Meetings and activities

- The Regional Network’s Leadership Council will organize one face-to-face annual meeting and periodic seminars or workshops on road safety legislation and policy priorities (based on available funding).
- Face-to-face meetings of the Regional Network’s Leadership Council may be held alongside other global events or meetings. Periodic seminars and workshops may be held virtually.
- The Regional Network’s Leadership Council commit to identifying and hosting activities within their own countries or region to support legislative or policy changes or to advocate for improved road safety.
- The Regional Network’s Leadership Council may designate parliamentary technical staff responsible for supporting legislative and regulatory improvements in their country to participate in meetings and activities as they deem appropriate and based on funding.