



## Minutes of the 21<sup>th</sup> meeting of WG5 Road Traffic Safety

**Department/Section:**

EUAM Kharkiv Field Office

**Date/hour and place of the meeting:**

19 February 2020 from 13:30 – 16:30  
Meeting Room Kharkiv FO

### Participants & Contacts:

Interlocutors: NPU MD Kharkiv, Yevhenii Voloshyn  
Patrol Police Kharkiv, Evhenii Petrov  
Patrol Police Kharkiv, Alla Starokozheva  
Patrol Police Kharkiv, Andrii Sikalenko  
Prosecutors Office of Kharkiv Region, Fedir Zakharov  
Department of Infrastructure, Kharkiv City Council, **not present**  
MoIA University Kharkiv, Stanislav Osiatynskyi  
UKRAVTODOR, Oleksandr Riazantsev  
UKRAVTODOR, Serhii Kovaka  
Kharkiv National Automobile and Highway University KHADI, Oleksandr Riabushenko

EUAM: Tuomo Korhonen, Senior Adviser on General Policing  
Liviu Velicea, Adviser on Community Policing  
Vira Kovalenko, Regional Operations Officer

### Purpose of the meeting

The 21<sup>th</sup> meeting of a Working Group 5 on Road Traffic Safety, is a part of the CSS II project in Kharkiv Region. The purpose was to discuss about further activities of the Working Group under the CSS II Project.

### Content (key points)

- 1) The members of the Working group discussed if it would be possible to hold a Road Traffic Safety Audit Course for up to 25 police officers from police stations in Kharkiv Region who will have the added duty of supervision over RTS in the area of their responsibility, in the Kharkiv National University of Internal Affairs. The participants agreed that it would be good to add to the course the input from prosecutors on the specific aspects of the cases related to the road traffic accident. E.g, respect for human rights, how the initial qualification of the RTA (whether it's administrative or criminal offence) affects the proceedings at a later stage or when the case reaches the European Court on Human Rights.

The representatives of NPU, Patrol Police, KHADI, Kharkiv National University of Internal Affairs agreed that they will provide input for the existing curricula of the Course on the Audit of the Road Traffic Safety before the next meeting of the WG5. The members of the Working Group were discussing the question whether the course could be done in the middle of summer or the next possible period – in September. This shows that the members of the Working Group are improving the level of cooperation between their agencies on the operational level both inside and outside of the working group.

- 2) The Kharkiv Regional Road Service of UKRAVTODOR representatives raised an idea to

update or develop regional recommendations on the procedure of communication between the agencies involved in dealing with the RTAs (who should inform who), because according to the existing regulations representatives of UkrAvtodor have to go the RTA scene to conduct their examination but they don't always have the information about all RTAs.

- 3) UkrAvtodor representatives said they are developing an interactive map for RTAs and invited the interested members of the working group (especially police) to visit their office and see the map as well as to discuss improvement of communication between the agencies in terms of RTAs. The date of this meeting will be agreed among the members of the Working Group separately. This shows that the members of the Working Group are improving the level of cooperation between their agencies on the operational level both inside and outside of the working group.
- 4) Regarding the defence driving course, the possibility of which the members of the WG discussed in the previous meeting, the FO Kharkiv representatives informed that the EAUM already facilitated such trainings for Kharkiv Patrol Police Officers in 2017 and 2018 and they trained 2 patrol police officers as Trainers on defensive driving. In course of discussion it turned out that these 2 patrol police officers still work in the Kharkiv Patrol Police.
- 5) The members of the Working Group were presented with the information about courses for police in Finland and Romania in terms of driving and road traffic police that the officers in those countries receive during their studies at the police academies in those countries.

**Next WG5 monthly meeting will take place 18.03.2020 in EUAM FO Kharkiv premises.**

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