Introduction to the Road Traffic Injuries Research Network

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Road Traffic Injuries Research Network
Outline

• Who are we?
• What is our mission?
• What do we do?
• How to become part of our Network?
We are…

A partnership of over 486 individuals and institutions - from 62 countries that collaborate to further research on the impact and causes of RTI in L&MIC and to identify appropriate interventions to the problem.
Partners by country (Sep 13th)

64%
Partners across regions

- South & Central America: 18%
- North America: 5%
- Europe: 5%
- Australia: 4%
- Asia: 33%
- Africa: 35%
Partners by country’s income level

- **Non classified**: 0%
- **High income**: 14% (OECD)
- **High income**: 1% (nonOECD)
- **Low income**: 29%
- **Lower middle income**: 32%
- **Upper middle income**: 24%

*1 = Taiwan*
Goverance of the RTIRN

Board Members

- 12 members
  - Dr. Adnan Hyder (Chair)
  - Dr. Olive Kobusingye (Vice-Chair)

Secretariat

- Ricardo Pérez-Núñez (Secretary 2010 - 2011)
- Francisco Mojarro (Coordinator)
- Dr. Martha Híjar-Medina (Advisor)
  - Fundación Entornos / I.N.S.P.

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Road Traffic Injuries Research Network

- **Our vision:** To reduce the burden of RTI, particularly in LMICs through the promotion, conduct and utilization of research.

- **Our goal:** To establish networking mechanisms and assist in the creation of partnerships between RTI researchers and institutions globally, to support research and research capacity in LMICs.
Specific objectives

• To advocate for research to reduce the burden of RTI in LMICs
• To set priorities for RTI-R in LMICs
• To help develop capacity for RTI-R in LMICs
• To promote investments for RTI-R in LMICs
• To facilitate communication between partners involved in RTI-R in LMICs
• To conduct strategic research on RTI in LMICs
• To disseminate and promote the application and utilization of research to reduce the burden of RTI in LMICs
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  – Junior Researchers
  – Senior Researchers
  – Multy Country Study
  – Regional Workshops
  – Scholarships for conference attendance
  – Newsletter
  – Webinars

• How to become part of our Network?
1.- Grants for Junior Researchers

- Nine Junior researchers were granted a scholarship to carry out research: Pakistan, China, Ghana, Mexico, Vietnam, Nigeria, Argentina,

- Fernando Poo from Argentina will be sharing with us his experience

- Hard copy of the “Compiled report of Grants for Junior Researchers” is available!!!
2.- Grants for Senior Researchers

• Four senior researchers have received financing to support a sabbatical period: Iran, Argentina, Philippines

• Dr. Rafael Consunji from Philippines will share his experience and part of his work

• A report is also available in hard copy!!!
3.- Multi – Center Study

• Final report will be presented by Dr. Adnan Hyder

• 9 Institutions from 9 different countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America carried out a research on Non-standard helmet use focusing on issues that are relevant to LMICs, enabling local researchers and practitioners to gain experience in RTI research by working closely with international experts
4. Regional Workshops

- Aiming to equip local and national researchers with road safety knowledge, and to impart skills, five Regional Workshops have been organized: Malaysia, Pakistan, Kenya, Ghana, Mexico
5.- Scholarships for conference attendance

- A total of 22 scholarships were given translating in USD $ 40,000
  - Vietnam
  - Ghana
  - Mexico
  - Argentina
  - Pakistan
  - Nigeria
  - Philippines
  - India
  - Thailand
  - Malaysia
  - Iran
  - China
6. - Newsletter

- July-September: Special issue. Published in 7 languages: English, Spanish, Persian, Mandarin, Vietnamese, French, Portuguese

- October-December: Motorcyclists.
Networking activities

• Webinars:
  – "Study of urban infrastructure and pedestrian injuries in Colombia" (by Dr. Andres Villaveces)
  – "Pedestrian’s dangerous path: Pedestrian Injuries as a Public Health problem" (by Dr. Martha Hijar-Medina)
  – “Economic consequences of Road Traffic Injuries to the Mexican Public Health System” (by Dr. Leticia Avila-Burgos)
  – "Launching of the Regional Report on Road Safety in the Americas” where both Dr. Adnan Hyder and Dr. Martha Hijar-Medina intervened

• Future webinars
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Join the RTIRN

- As a partner of the RTIRN, you will benefit from being connected to 486 people that are involved with injury prevention worldwide. If you share our vision and would like to become a partner please visit our website: www.rtirn.net

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