Evaluation study on Speed Limitation Devices

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Scenarios for the ex-ante evaluations for HCVs and LCVs

- What would be options for amending the Directive?
 - Feasible, realistic and distinctive scenarios
- Eight scenarios:
 - Four scenarios for HCVs
 - Four scenarios for LCVs
 - Both for HCVs and LCVs: two speed limiter scenarios, two ISA scenarios



ISA systems

- ISA: Intelligent Speed Assistance / Adaptation
- Characteristics
 - System type (Advisory, driver select, mandatory)
 - Information (Fixed, variable, dynamic)
- Could be complementary to speed limiters for HCVs
- Also affecting speeds on urban roads
- May serve as an alternative to speed limiters for LCVs



Argumentation for HCV scenarios

- Scenario 1: A maximum speed of 80 km/h for HGVs, 90 km/h for buses is reasonable
 - Many countries have this speed limit on motorways
 - Compatible with minimum speed of 70 km/h
- Scenario 2: A maximum speed for HGVs and buses of 100 km/h
 - Decreases differences in vehicle speed between vehicle types
 - Feasible for the HCV's of today
- Different maximum speeds for M2 and M3 or between N2 and N3 vehicles
 - Lack of sufficient data for carrying out such an analysis
 - Will be included in the discussion on policy strategies



Argumentation for HCV scenarios (2)

- ISA scenario 3: "Advisory/informing" with variable posted speed limit information and no changes in current speed limits
 - The technology is already introduced to a sufficiently high level
 - Informative: No invasive actions are taken by the ISA system (liability perspective)
- ISA scenario 4: "Half-open" driver feedback. With fixed posted speed limit information and a decrease in maximum speed
 - Technology needed is available, ready for the market within 5 years
 - Databases with speed limit information available at both private and public level
 - Driver acceptance
 - System should be combined with fixed speed limit information (liability perspective)
 - Highest safety impact expected



Scenario definition for HCVs

| | Speed limiter HGVs | Speed limiter buses | ISA system |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| Reference | 90 km/h | 100 km/h | no |
| Scenario 1 | 80 km/h | 90 km/h | no |
| Scenario 2 | 100 km/h | 100 km/h | no |
| Scenario 3 | 90 km/h | 100 km/h | Advisory/open - variable speed limit information |
| Scenario 4 | 80 km/h | 90 km/h | Half-open - fixed speed limit information |



Argumentation for LCV scenarios

- Maximum speed of 120 km/h will have too small effects
- Scenario 1: a maximum speed of 110 km/h for vans is feasible and realistic
- Scenario 2: a maximum speed of 100 km/h for vans is feasible, realistic and distinctive from scenario 1
- Maximum speed of 90 km/h or lower: high speed differences between N1 and M1 and unrealistic
- ISA scenarios: the same as for HCVs
 - ISA scenario 3: Advisory variable speed limit information
 - ISA scenario 4: Half-open fixed speed limit information
- Current maximum speed in Member States is different: different effects



Subcategories LCVs

- Policy options for differentiating between LCVs
- Limiting the obligation for N1 vehicles:
 - Vehicle mass between 2610 and 3500 kilogrammes (subcategories Regulation EU/510/2011).
- Including M1 vehicles
 - Commercially used M1-vehciles to vehicles with 8-9 seats



Scenario definition for LCVs

| | Speed limiter LCVs (type N1) | ISA system |
|------------|------------------------------|--|
| Reference | no | no |
| Scenario 1 | 110 km/h | no |
| Scenario 2 | 100 km/h | no |
| Scenario 3 | no | Advisory/open - variable speed limit information |
| Scenario 4 | no | Half-open – fixed speed limit information |



Approach: Ex-ante evaluation



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Types of impacts

- Vehicle speeds: average speeds, speed distribution and speed profiles
- Traffic safety: numbers of accidents, injured and fatalities
- Fuel consumption and emissions: CO_2 , PM and NO_x emissions
- Market impacts:
 - vehicle design
 - shifts between vehicle categories, e.g. between HCVs and LCVs
 - fraud
 - administrative burden
 - costs of compliance/enforcement
 - SMEs





| Type of impact | Methodology | |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Speed | Literature review of vehicle speeds and data from Member State survey Modelling (using speed data from literature) | |
| Traffic safety | Modelling (using speed data and speed-accidents relationships from literature) For ISA: data from literature on the relationship between ISA and traffic safety | |
| Fuel consumption and emissions | Modelling (using speed data and the VERSIT+ -model for speed-emissions relationships) For ISA: modelling data complemented with data from literature on the relationship between ISA and emissions | |
| Market impacts | Qualitative assessment (based on literature review and survey) | |



Questions

- 1. Do you agree with the definition of the scenarios for the ex-ante evaluations on HCVs?
- 2. Do you agree with the definition of the scenarios for the ex-ante evaluations on LCVs?
- 3. Do you see other elements which could be taken into account to complement the conclusions of the ex-ante evaluation?
- 4. Can you agree with the application of different speed limits for vehicle categories N2 and N3 (e.g. 100 km/h for N2 and 90 km/h for N3 category)?
- 5. What should be the definition of light commercial vehicles of M1 category and light commercial vehicle of N1 category (e.g. M1 category with 8 and 9 seats including driver's seat, N1 category between 2.6 and 3.5 tonnes)?
- 6. What suggestions do you have with respect to the possible amendments of the Speed Limitation Directive?

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