

UNIDO joins the UN global partnership to build a world where roads are safe for everyone.

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The UN Road Safety Fund (UNRSF) is pleased to announce that the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) has joined its global partnership to tackle the hard-hitting global road safety crisis we all face today.

Since 2018 the Fund has been working to help halve road deaths and injuries in low- and middle-income countries, where over 90% of the 1.3 million fatal crashes occur each year.

By joining the Fund, UNIDO forms part of a global network of communities, civil society, governments, companies, and UN agencies that are addressing critical gaps in national road safety systems.

As an innovative pooled fund, the UNRSF mobilizes financing from private, public and in individual donors channeling resources to high-impact, scalable and sustainable road safety projects worldwide. In operation in 30 countries across five regions, assistance is already going to support better urban planning for school zones, low emission non-motorized transport, speed management and cleaner safer used vehicle standards.

It is an exciting time for UNIDO to be part of this growing momentum of partners joining the Fund such as UNICEF, UNDP and UNEP among others who are part of the global partnership striving towards safer and sustainable mobility for all.

"We are proud to join the global partnership supporting the UN Road Safety Fund. Bringing in our expertise on promoting inclusive and sustainable innovations and infrastructure in road safety will be critical in the journey towards solving the global road safety crisis."

Bernardo Calzadilla-Sarmiento, Managing Director, Directorate of Digitalization, Technology and Agri-Business, UNIDO

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