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Toll Enforcement & cross-border issues

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CROSS BORDER ENFORCEMENT DIRECTIVE



Public consultation for the **evaluation of the CBE Directive** (2015/413/EU) (27/11/2015 - 19/02/2016)

- ⇒ Report of the Commission to the European Parliament and to the Council (by November 7th 2016)
- ⇒ In order to provide an assessment of the effectiveness of the Directive and of the relevance of its scope
- ⇒ Including assessment on:
 - ⇒ « the need to strengthen the enforcement of sanctions and to propose common criteria concerning the follow-up procedures in the case of non-payment of a financial penalty »

CBE DIRECTIVE... OBJECTIVES & MEANS



Objectives & main principles:

- \Rightarrow reduction in the number of violations on EU roads
- ⇒ compliance with basic road safety rules as a crucial element in the road

Means:

⇒ provides access to vehicle registration data in order to identify nonresident offenders

Scope:

 \Rightarrow 8 safety offenses

WHAT ABOUT TOLL VIOLATIONS?



Not (yet) in the scope of CBE Directive!

But should be in the scope of the CBE Directive

- ⇒ as toll violations have direct implications
 - ⇒ on road safety (« petit train »)
 - \Rightarrow on competition
 - ⇒ on implementation of ETC systems and free-flow systems
- ⇒ as toll violations are a real barrier to the development of ETC and free-flow systems

ENFORCEMENT AS A DETERRENT FACTOR



CBE Directive aims at

- pursuing violators even when they are non-residents
- discourage violations as violators know that they will be identified and prosecuted

This second factor, i.e. the deterrence is most interesting as it does not generate any cost and is not an administrative burden

That is exactly the goal of toll enforcement: not to be applied and be able to generate a deterrent effect, **discouraging users to avoid the payment of tolls**

TOLL ENFORCEMENT AS A DETERRENT FACTOR



Toll Enforcement is immediately effective and rewarding

- ⇒ As soon as enforcement is effective, it acts as a real deterrent
 - i.e. the French toll enforcement that has been effective since 2013 is a real success as the fraud has been **divided by 3**
 - ⇒ implementation of an enforcement process based on a transaction:
 - ⇒ the client is offered to pay the toll due to the motorway operator plus 20 euros as processiong fees
 - ⇒ the toll motorway company recovers unpaid tolls
 - ⇒ the procedure is handled by toll motorways companies
 - ⇒ toll violations are systematically pursued

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But...

Only resident violators are identified

- ⇒ Toll Enforcement should be effective and applied to all offenders, not just to residents
 - ⇒ to avoid competition issues between resident and non-resident offenders
 - ⇒ to reach the objective of reducing the negative impact of toll violations of the road-safety
 - ⇒ to apply the « user pays » principle

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Toll Chargers must find a way to implement an effective enforcement applicable to all toll violators including non-resident offenders

This concern has been fully detailed in all Europen Interoperability Projects (Cesare, REETS) as a **key factor for deploying ETC** in Europe

ASECAP and its members have called for **including toll enforcement in the scope of the CBE Directive** and strongly expect the evaluation of
CBE Directive will consider their concerns

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Thank you for your attention