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## **INFORMATION NOTE**

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Council
Subject:	Third Global Ministerial Conference on Road Safety (Stockholm, 19-20 February 2020)
	- Information from the Swedish delegation

Delegations will find attached an information note prepared by the <u>Swedish delegation</u> on the above-mentioned subject for consideration under "Any other business" at the meeting of the Council (<u>Transport</u>, Telecommunications and Energy) on 2 December 2019.

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Sweden is hosting the 3rd Global Ministerial Conference on Road Safety on 19–20 February 2020 in Stockholm. The theme of the conference is Achieving Global Goals 2030. The event is co-sponsored by the World Health Organization (WHO), and minister-led delegations from more than 80 countries are expected to attend. Representatives from the world of industry and research, international institutions and organizations will also participate.

Road safety is an urgent matter both in the EU and globally. The number of deaths on the world's roads remains unacceptably high, with an estimated 1.35 million people killed each year. Although Europe has the safest roads in the world, much remains to be done in implementing the EU's policies on safe mobility and to move closer to the long-term goal of zero road fatalities in 2050 and to halve the numbers of serious injuries in the EU by 2030.

The Conference will be an opportunity for delegates to share successes and lessons from implementation of the Global Plan for the Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011–2020, chart future strategic directions for global road safety up to 2030 and beyond and define ways to accelerate action on proven strategies to save lives.

The European experience will be valuable in these discussions and we expect the European Commission and several European ministers to share their knowledge and challenges by participating in the different panels and sessions at the Conference. In order to ensure Member States' active participation, the Minister of Infrastructure Tomas Eneroth would like to inform about the 3rd Global Ministerial Conference on Road Safety.

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