Securing global funding for road safety

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I. The bad news

A flagrant inconsistency

1. While we recognise that road safety ranks among the top global development challenges from a social and economic point of view...

2. The amount of resources that the international community devotes to it is extremely small (1 to 1000 compared to AIDS/Malaria/Tuberculosis)

The SDG target to halve fatalities by 2020 (??) is at the same time a huge challenge...and a great opportunity, as it can help give focus and bring more attention to road safety and its lack of funding.
2. The good news

Things are starting to move in an interesting direction: a new UN Global Road Safety Fund?

1. **April 2016:** A UN General Assembly resolution requests the UN Secretary General to explore the possibility to establish a UN Fund for Road Safety.

2. **November 2016:** A very ambitious proposal is put forward by UNECE. It is estimated that aprox US$ 7.7 billion will be needed over 10 years to unlock the domestic resources needed to achieve the SDG target in LMICs:
   - Catalytic funding
   - Progressive approach

2. **Fall 2017:** After a long and generally positive consultation process, this proposal is to be sent to the UN Secretary General for a final decision, either by himself or by the UN General Assembly (in April 2018?).
III. The way ahead

**Entering a critical phase. Priorities:**

1. Secure final approval of the UN Global Road Safety Fund

2. Approach potential public and private donors. Initial contacts are encouraging. The role of the FIA High Level Panel for Road Safety.

3. Ensure coordination with the Global Road Safety Facility of the World Bank
Many thanks !