Autonomous driving challenges for enforcement

in built-up areas





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Summary









Road

Safety



PSP – Road Safety

Polícia de Segurança Pública - PSP

- In metropolitan areas of Lisbon and Oporto;
- In the district capitals and main cities;
- In the Autonomous Regions of Madeira and the Azores;
- 5.200.000 population;
- Floating population in urban centers ± 2.000.000 people per day.





PSP – Road Safety

Road Users

Different forms of human mobility:

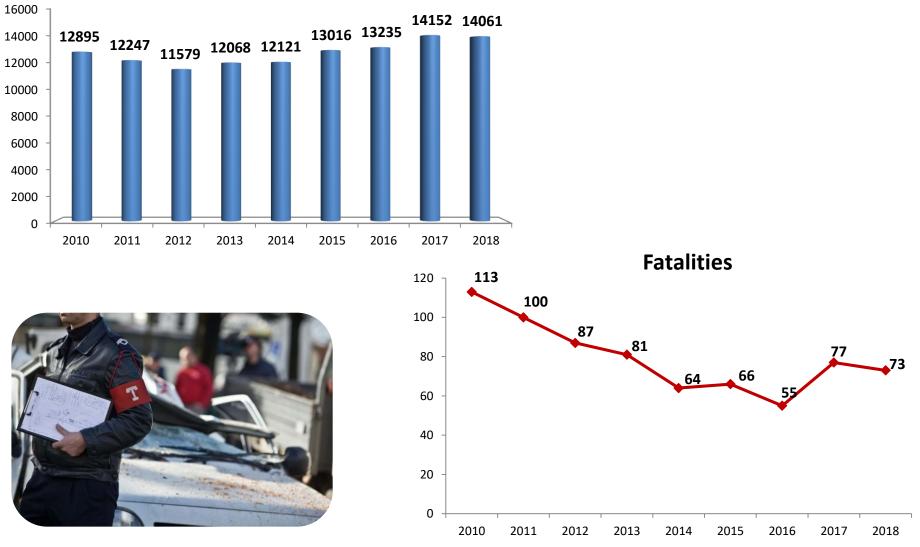
- ✓ Walking;
- \checkmark Using vehicles
 - ✓ Bikes
 - ✓ Cars, trucks, etc.;
 - ✓ Motorcycles, scooters, etc.;
 - ✓ Others...





PSP – Road Safety

Accidents with victims



Data registered by PSP on Portugal (continent)

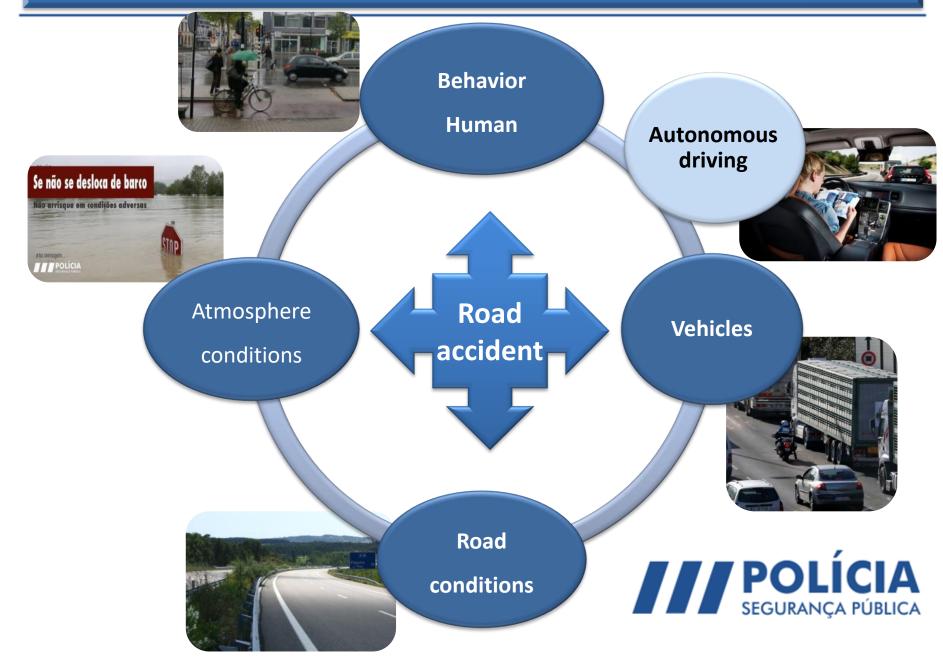
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Main causes of road accidents



Autonomous driving

Expectations

Autonomous driving (full) - Reduction of road injuries

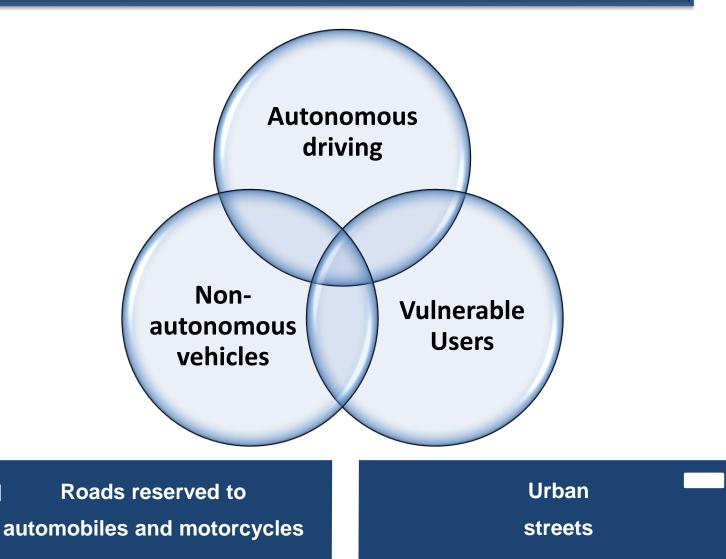
- ✓ Compliance with vertical and traffic light signaling;
- ✓ Compliance with speed limits;
- ✓ Compliance with safety distance;
- ✓ Effective use of safety devices;
- ✓ Driver becomes a passenger:
 - Elimination of distracted and fatigued driving;
 - Elimination of dangerous maneuvers;
 - Elimination of the influence of alcohol and drugs on driving abilities.





Autonomous driving: built-up areas

Coexistence of different forms of mobility



Roads reserved to automobiles and motorcycles

Integration of Autonomous driving is more easy:

- ✓ Without road crossings;
- ✓ Entrances and exits of the road defined;
- ✓ Obstructions on the road can be signaled faster.





Urban streets

Integration of autonomous driving is more difficult:

- ✓ Roads shared with different forms/types of mobility (autonomous/not autonomous);
- ✓ Multiple road crossings;
- ✓ Multiple road entrances and exits (garages and parking areas);
- ✓ Higher probability of unpredictable obstructions.



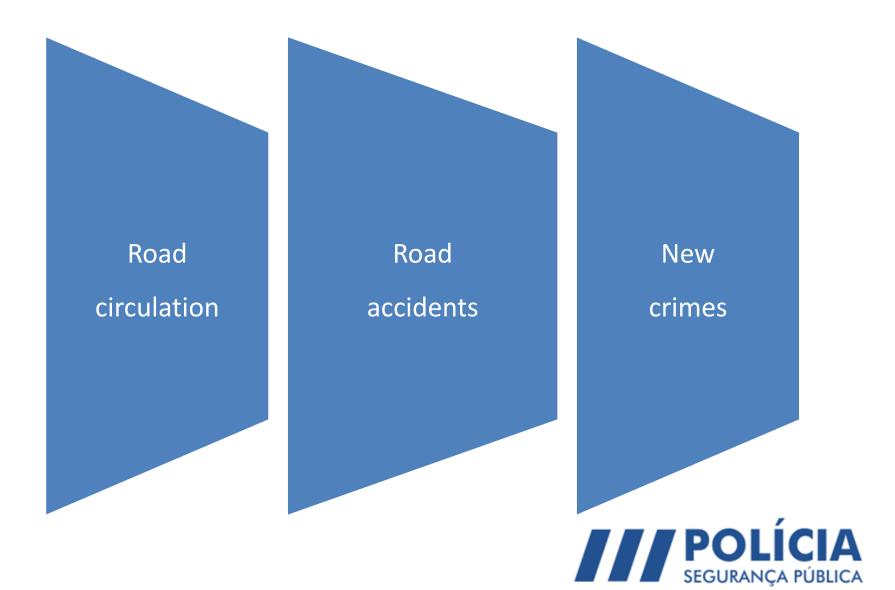
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Coexistence of Autonomous driving and other users

- Principle: Avoid collisions/running over.
- **Reaction of the others users of the road** (drivers and pedestrians).
 - Increased disregard of lane-crossing and priority of vehicles rules !?





Road Stop operation

- Orders of the Traffic Control Agents.
- The Autonomous Vehicles will be able to identify the Traffic Regulatory Agents!?

And follow the different orders / indications !?

- Autonomous driving violates traffic regulations. (ex: violation of traffic light signals)
- The police must stop the vehicle !? How !?

Or the main service may be able to identify the fault and call the vehicle!?





Road Accidents with Autonomous vehicles

- Data collection about the road accident.
- What data is collected and saved by autonomous vehicles!?
- Accidents with autonomous vehicles.
- Whose responsibility is it!?





Cybercrime and the Autonomous Vehicles

- Control of autonomous vehicles by third parties. How to avoid and investigate?!?
- Theft of autonomous vehicles.
- Terrorist attacks.
- Trafficking in arms, drugs, human beings or other offences...





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