

**Mr Johan Pihlström – ECRAF President**

Head of Road Safety in Swedish armed forces. Participated in all ECRAF congresses since 2009. Member of executive committee 2011-2013. ECRAF president from congress 2019. My main objective with ECRAF is to maintain the network and develop ECRAF to a competence organisation well known within and outside armed forces in Europe.

**Mrs Lisa Falkenberg – Graduate psychologist**

Working as the managing director of COGNITION and has worked for the German Road Safety Council for many years. Worked as a research associate on projects on gaze guidance and stress research at the RWTH Aachen University. Mrs Falkenberg is a lecturer, trainer and coach in various target group programs in the German Road Safety Council (DVR) and lectures at driving instructor training courses and professional driver training courses. On behalf of the DVR she examined the gaze behaviour of road users during driving tasks from truck safety training with the eye tracking camera. Her presentation includes results of these investigations and offers explanations for human driving behaviour and advice for road safety work.

Ltcol. Juan Jesús Pavón Coto – Head of the Center for Driving and Road Safety of the Spanish Army

For decades, motorcycles have been part of the vehicles used by many of the Armed Forces in the world. The Spanish Army is developing a 2-week seminar to train expert personnel in driving off-road motorcycles, which includes to drive them safely and try to change the attitude of the Commanders in their current opinion that motorcycles are a high risk vehicle.

Invitation to Webinar and General Assembly

International Webinar for
Road Safety in the Armed Forces
8th and 9th of September 2020

Topics:

- **Distractions while driving – Germany and Israel**
- **Motorcycle driving off road - Spain**
- **Electronic Reporting system – United Kingdom**
- **European Commissions work for road safety - Sweden**

Due to the Covid-19 situation the ECRAF Congress in 2020 is substituted to a webinar for two days.

The congress in 2021 is going to be held in Bonn, Germany, instead of 2020 as planned earlier.



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Administrative Information

This is the first time ECRAF arranges a web seminar (Webinar). Executive committee has tested different software for web-meetings and have come to the conclusion that MS Teams will be used during the web seminar.

Invitation mails for technical connection check **and** the web seminar will be sent to you on your official mailbox according to ECRAF delegates mailing list. Please observe that there are to different mails with different links to technical connection check and web seminar.

Objectives of the Congress

- Lessons identified and learned in Road Safety In Operations
- The use and implementation

Language

Official Congress language is English.

Technical Setup

To attend and to be able to follow the seminar one paramount condition is to use a computer with full access to Internet with a web-camera installed. From this computer it's mandatory to reach you professional mailbox or access to a Internet based mailbox that can with no limitations receive a forwarded inviting mail for the web seminar from your professional mailbox. The use of a head-set with a microphone is an advantage and a strongly recommended equipment.

It should be emphasized that ECRAF can not provide any IT-support to link up to webinar. ECRAF provides links in invitation mails (you'll get two different mails). If you need IT-support please arrange this through your local IT-support organisation in advantage and to have this support behind our back if needed.

A technical connection check will be preformed on the 4th of September between 09:00 – 11:00 CET+1. This is your opportunity to test your connection to make sure you can participate at the webinar. By experience; use this opportunity wisely.

Registration

For organisational reasons, you are requested to register your participation with a mail to secretary@ecraf.org. Registration must be done no later than 21st of August 2020. After you registration you will receive the invitation mails.

Every member nation can participate with maximum 4 (four) persons.

Technical information (2/2):

Entering the meeting:

- You can use either MS Teams application or a regular web browser
- Enter in to the meeting through the link you have accepted.
 - You can enter the meeting either from the link in the email or from your calendar.
- Join the meeting and name yourself according to the example seen here:
 - SWE Mr. Jonas Petterson
 - FIN Ltcol Arto Purkunen
 - FIN Maj Joni Taunila, Vice President
- If you have to correct your name, you need to close the meeting. Click the link again and change your name before entering to the meeting again.
- After entering the meeting, you will first be in the virtual "lobby" of the meeting until you are accepted by the administrator.

During the meeting and General Assembly:

- When you want to speak. Press the "Raise your hand" -button and you will get the word.
- Keep both, your microphone and camera opened when speaking.
- You can have you camera on for the whole web seminar, but you do not have to.
- Always mute your microphone when you are not talking.
- Please always be connected and ready at least 1 minute before every session begins.
- In the General Assembly the "Raise your hand" function will be use when voting. **Observe! Each nation has one (1) vote at the GA. Therefore the naming of yourself is important.**

Presentations:

- All the presentations must be done by PowerPoint and sent to secretary@ecraf.org, NLT 4.9.2020 at 09.00 am (CET+1).

Technical information (1/2):

The Web Seminar is being held by using MS Teams – software.

You will have two separate invitation mails:

- One to the Technical connection check on 4th of September
- One to the Official Web Seminar on the 8th - 9th of September

Before the meeting:

- The delegate of each country will have two MS Teams invitations to the Web Seminar in their email.
- The invitation is recommended to be forwarded to a non-military email address, as there has been multiple problems using military email addresses due to lack of unlimited Internet connection from a military computer.
- You can choose between:
 - approve the invitation and forward it to external mail
 - forward it without approving the invitation.
- Approve the MS Teams invitation from the email you are about to enter yourself in to the meeting. This allows the organizer to see who are participating and allows you to see meeting in your calendar at the same time .
- Every nation can participant with a maximum of four (4) delegates at the webinar.
- During the General Assembly each nation has one (1) vote. Decide within each nation who is going to vote before the GA.
- Do not connect or enter to the meeting before you have read all the instructions as there are few critical steps.

Welcome to ECRAF Webinar 2020

This year the ECRAF annual Congress is cancelled due to the Covid-19 situation in Europe. I hope that you are healthy and that you can have a sort of normal life under the circumstances. The different strategies nations have chosen to tackle the virus spread puts us all in different situations and a need of decision making. But never the less road safety work has to be managed even if disturbance is present.



When the society is under pressure from threats, which can be a pandemic, is the time for the armed forces to stand fast and be robust to support the upright holding of the primary needs for the society. This involves in many ways also road safety. I'm sure that different questions has been raised in you countries that has direct links to the virus. Examples can be customized drivers training to drive ambulances, how to use protection equipment as gasmasks while driving, transport of field hospitals for use in the civilian health care and probably many more. All these questions involves more or less road safety and safety for our personnel and the citizens.

ECRAF has a role to play in these times! To make sure that our discussions can be held, exchange of experience can be done and the network of road safety experts can be up right hold we arrange a web seminar instead of a congress this year.

But my opinion is that even that we have many tools in the digital world for meetings a real congress with discussions over a cup of coffee in the breaks during the congress can not be substituted. It is your expertise that drives the road safety forward and you as persons with your open discussions and willing to learn from each other that are the foundation for the development. Therefore ECRAF will hold the congress in 2021 in Bonn as was planned for this year.

I hope that this web seminar can be a breathing hole for you and a opportunity to meet old and new friends in the road safety business.

Johan PIHLSTRÖM
President ECRAF

Friday, 4th September 2020

0900 –
11:00: Technical connection check through MS Teams Not obligatory

Tuesday, 8th September 2020

0945: Connection to webinar is opened

1000: Opening of webinar
Welcome and information how the web seminar will be held
President of ECRAF Mr **Johan PIHLSTRÖM**, Sweden

1015: Introduction of participants
One representative from each country presents all, 3 min./country

1100: How does our brain process the information while driving a car, what do we achieve at the same time and how important is the eye tracking?
Graduate psychologist on behalf of the German Road Safety Council.
Mrs **Lisa FALKENBERG**

1200: Discussion including Israel topic on distractions while driving
MAJ **Merav TAMIR**, Israel

1230: Break for lunch and coffee

1400: Presentation from Spain
How to train motorcycle drivers in off-road driving
LTCOL. **Juan Jesús Pavón COTO**, Spain

1430: Discussion
Contribution from Sweden
WO2 **Fredrik HOLMGREN**, Motorcycle instructor and driver

1500: Presentation from Germany
Testing the impact of technical equipment to the driver.
For example, driving with night vision goggles or a driver vision system

1520: Discussion

1530: Summary of day one

1545: Closure of first day

Wednesday, 09th September 2020

0945: Connection to webinar is opened

1000: Summary from yesterday and start up

1015: Presentation from United Kingdom - RTC Electronic Reporting System
Scott SUTHERLAND, MTSR, United Kingdom

1045: Discussion

1115: European Commission road safety work and the EU vision Zero Plan

1115: Discussion and evaluation and closure of the ECRAF's first webinar

1200: Break for lunch and coffee

1300: General Assembly
Executive Committee wants your feedback on:
* Was webinar a good thing due to the situation in Europe?
* Should ECRAF arrange webinars during the year as a compliment to Congress

1430: Summary and closing remarks
Closure
See you all next year in Bonn for a real Congress.

