

Discussion

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A snapshot of the Road Safety Management frameworks in the PIN countries as seen by PIN Panellists in early 2012

Panellists were asked questions based on ETSC's 2006 Review: *A Methodological Approach to National Road Safety Policies*

- and several questions the DaCoTA team asked of government representatives

Three phases of formulation and implementation of road safety policy:

1. Basics of road safety management
2. From strategy to action
3. Implementation and updating

Questions to Panellists covered each phase in turn and answers were scored to derive a ranking for performance in each phase

1 Basics of road safety management

Questions were asked about the country's **vision** for road safety

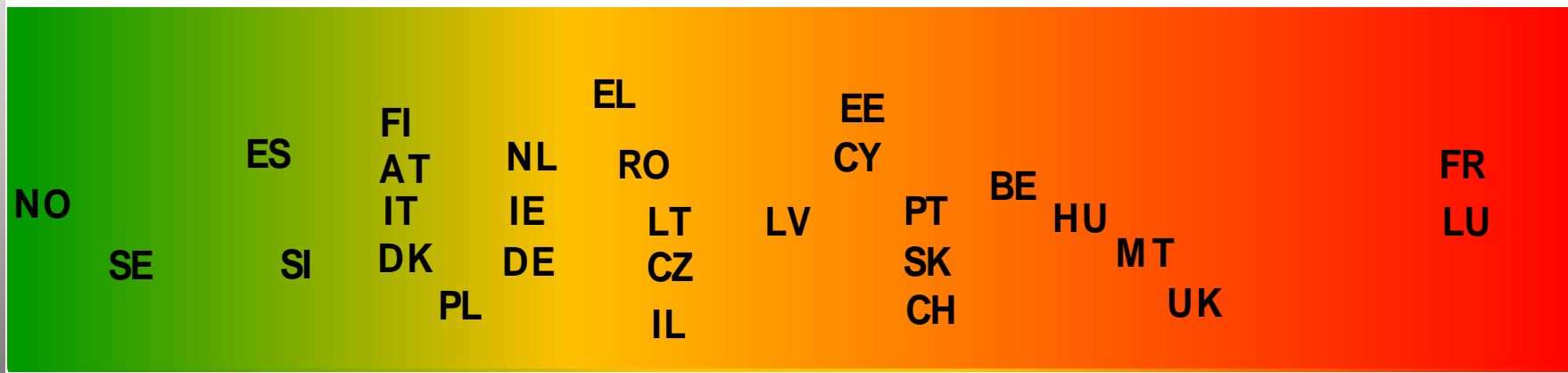
targets for

- reduction in deaths
- reduction in serious injuries
- other quantitative indicators

national road safety **programme or plan**

government **leadership by example**

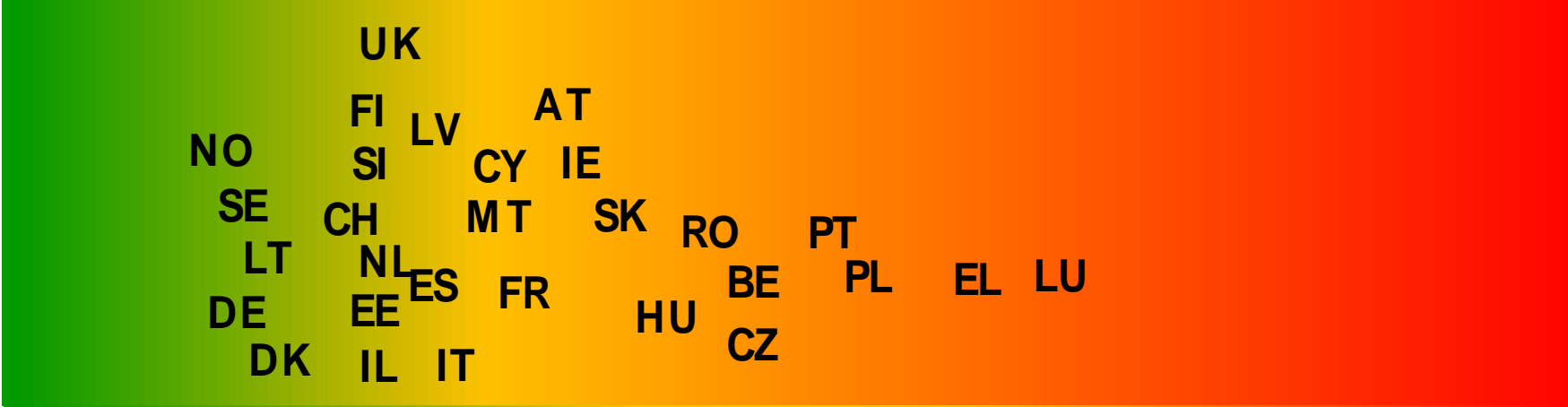
Ranking on the basics



2 From strategy to action

Questions were asked about the country's
lead agency and its coordinating role
budget for road safety
accident and casualty data – accessibility
research – capability and influence on policy
measurement of
– road user behaviour
– attitudes to road safety measures
– attitudes to behaviour of other road users
training – initial and in-service
exchange and sharing of best practice

Ranking on strategy into action

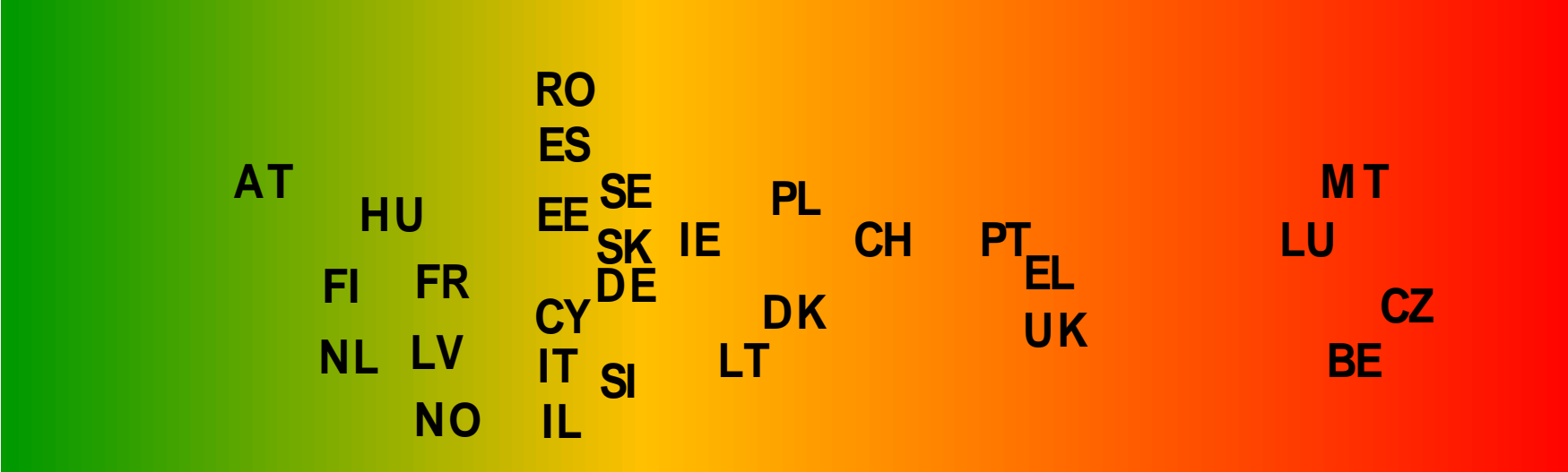


3 Implementation and updating

Questions were asked about the country's
enforcement of road safety laws
infrastructure safety – adoption of Directive
and assessment of main roads
quantitative monitoring of performance
publication of results of monitoring
reporting on measures implemented
evaluation of effectiveness of measures

(A question about **emergency response**
was asked but turned out to be ineffective)

Ranking on implementation and updating



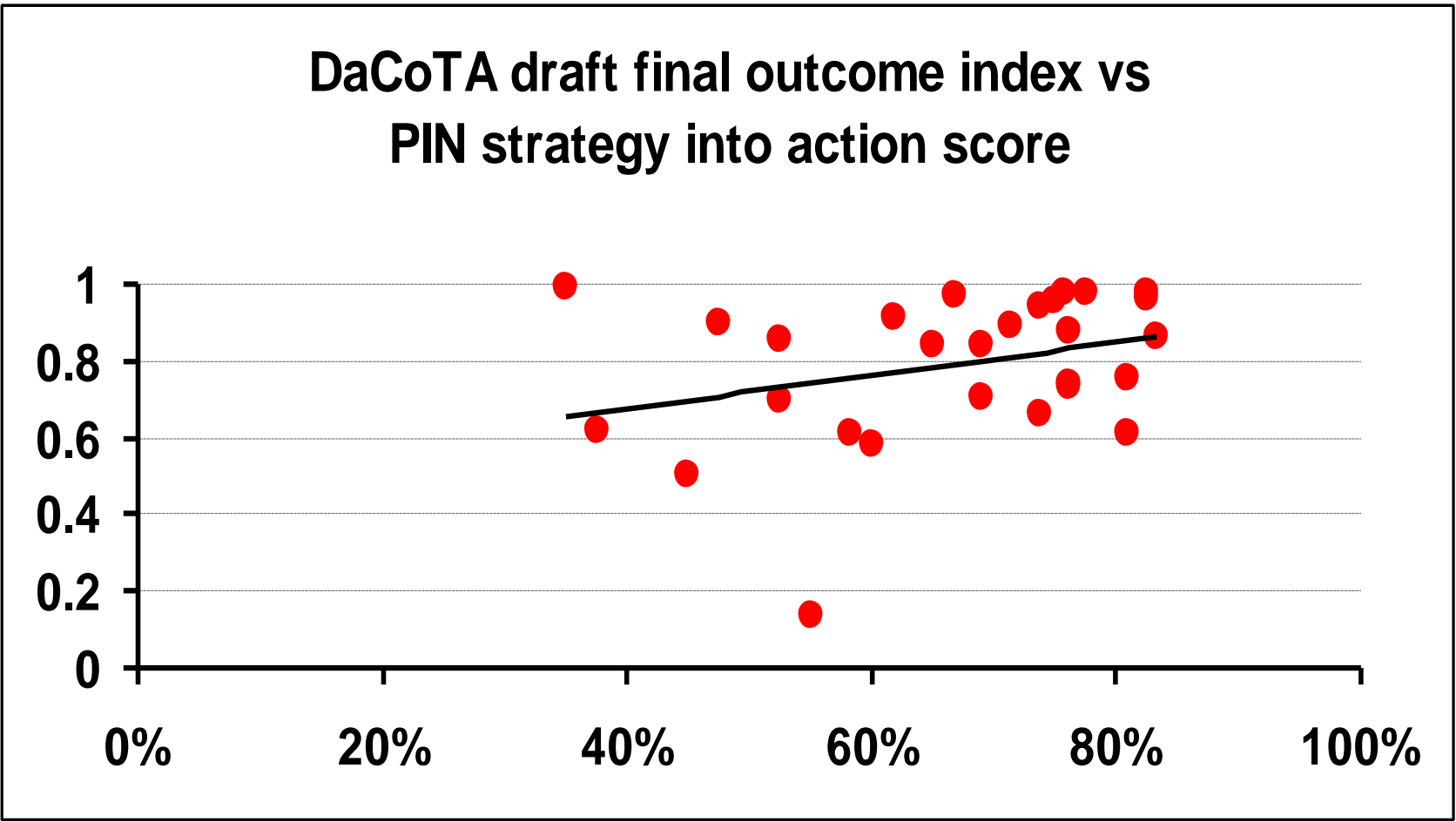
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Differences in rankings between the three phases are consistent with the DaCoTA finding of wide variation in RSM structures

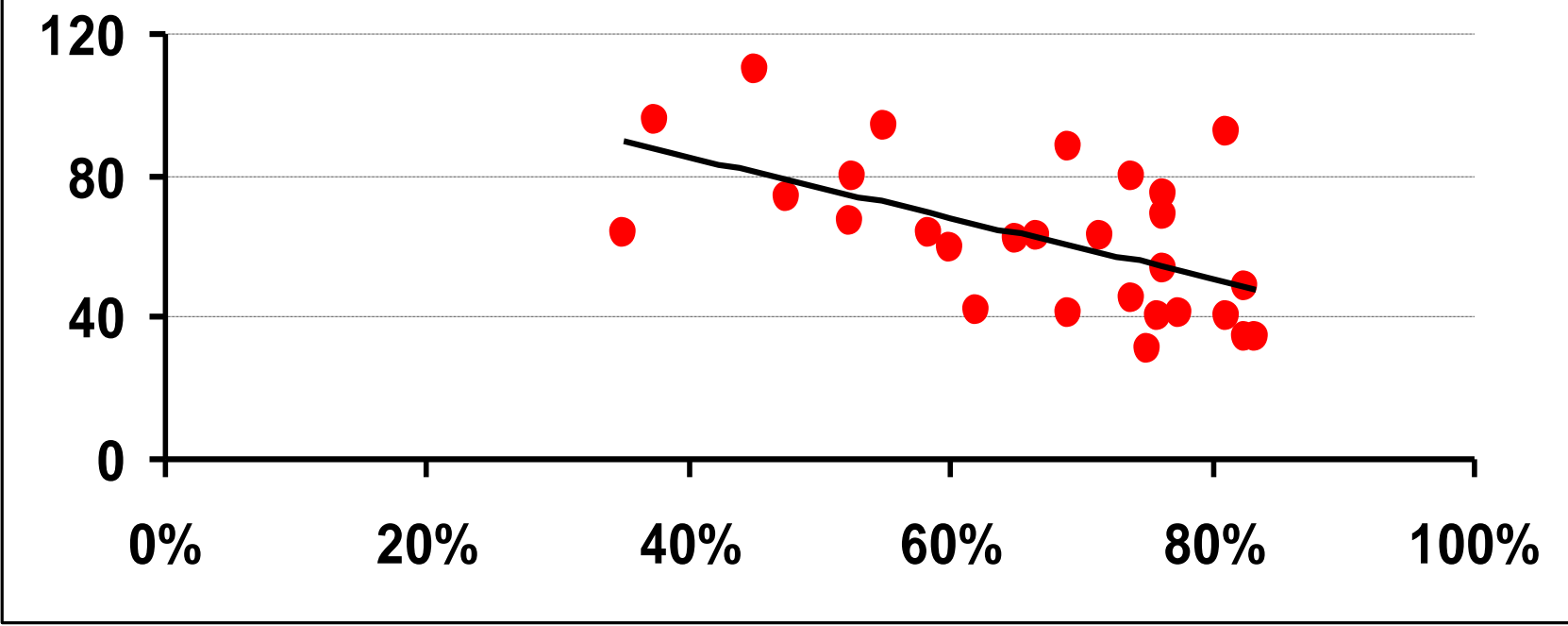
And ranking on the basics and ranking on implementation and updating show no correlation with performance

But some correlation with performance is found for the ranking on strategy into action

DaCoTA draft final outcome index vs PIN strategy into action score



Road deaths/million population in 2011 vs PIN strategy into action score



Some pointers to the way forward

Searching investigation of the structures of RSM in Europe has been revealing

The DaCoTA (and PIN) data and findings offer scope for further improving understanding and practice

One clear finding is that similar performance in RSM can be achieved by means of differing structures and implementation

Some pointers to the way forward

So practice and performance may well be best influenced at the pan-European level by focussing strongly on the essentials
– being relaxed enough about the details to leave these to the individual countries

What are the essentials?

- 1 The desired outcome of RSM is to reduce the number of deaths and lasting injuries on the roads
- 2 The fundamental indicator is the number per million person-years (the annual number per million population)
- 3 We set no limit to our ambition to reduce this number

What are the essentials?

- 4 The safe system approach requires monitoring of where, when, how and to whom in the road transport system the remaining deaths and injuries occur
- 5 Making the case for existing and new interventions requires knowledge of their cost-effectiveness and measurement of their impact
- 6 Progress depends on political will, leadership, resources and the commitment of all stakeholders

Next steps for ERSO & EC should

- focus on the essentials
- follow the safe system approach
- build on the World Bank RSM framework
- promote amendments to this approach and framework or change the way they are expressed *only where the need for change is very clearly demonstrated*
- and so help decision-makers and practitioners to progress RSM despite the current and foreseeable financial climate

Thank you for your attention

