

# **Everyday Safety for Electric Vehicles**

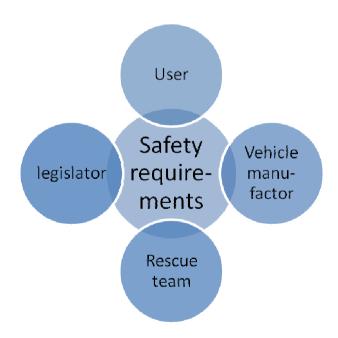
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### Project overview

- Scope: Safety of electric vehicles
- Aim: Recommendations for new safety requirements
- Project timing: 2012/05 2014/04
- Budget: EUR 1.8 mill.
- Funding: EUR 1.6 mill.
- Personal month: 159.5





## Project partner















Germany



### Project structure

WP1: Project management and dissemination

WP2: Vehicle stability and driver response

Technical WP

WP3: Crash compatibility and battery safety

**Technical WP** 

WP4: Problem identification and safety considerations



## Strategic work packages

### WP1: Project management and dissemination

- Quality plan & reporting management
- Dissemination program & project communication

## WP4: Problem identification and safety considerations

- Safety analysis & user expectation
- Scenario definition
- Recommendations for requirements



# WP2: Vehicle stability and driver response

- Investigation: Drivers reaction to a failure mode
- Methods: experiments in driving simulator and on test track
- Two system failures:
  - Motor failure in electric vehicles with electric drives (wheel hub motors)
  - Electric motor/generator failures in the regenerative braking system of electric vehicles





# WP2: Vehicle stability and driver response

### Field experiments with test vehicle

- Close real setting
- EV with error activation
- Test track



### **Driving simulator**

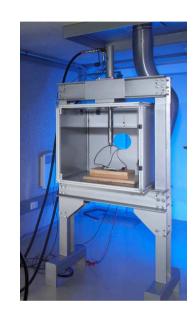
- Extreme and, in real life, dangerous settings
- High repeatability





# WP3: Crash compatibility and battery safety

- Crash compatibility between existing vehicle fleet and electric vehicles (2nd generation)
- Analysis of automotive Rechargeable Energy Storage Systems (REESS) and their protective structures under crash loads
- Methods: Crash simulation and experimental tests
- Compatibility criteria and recommendations for new safety standards
- Guidelines for safe-handling of REESS in post-crash scenarios
- Full-scale test



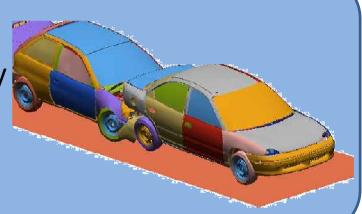




# WP3: Crash compatibility and battery safety

#### **Crash simulation**

- Full scale car crash compatibility simulations
- Crash analyses of REESS and protective structure



#### **Crash tests**

- Component tests
- Full scale car-to-car crash
- Mechanical, dynamic, chemical and electro-chemical issues





### Benefit of the project

- Recommendations for new safety actions, in terms of
  - Research
  - Standardization and
  - Legislation if necessary
- Guidelines and support for safety standards for electric vehicles (active safety)
- Concepts for safety requirements (passive safety)
  - safe handling of REESSs for post-crash
  - Compatibility criteria



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