

Role of WP.29 and its future

～Asian ONE VOICE～

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[Aspirations as Vice Chair]

When selected as Vice Chair in 2023, I emphasized the following three points.

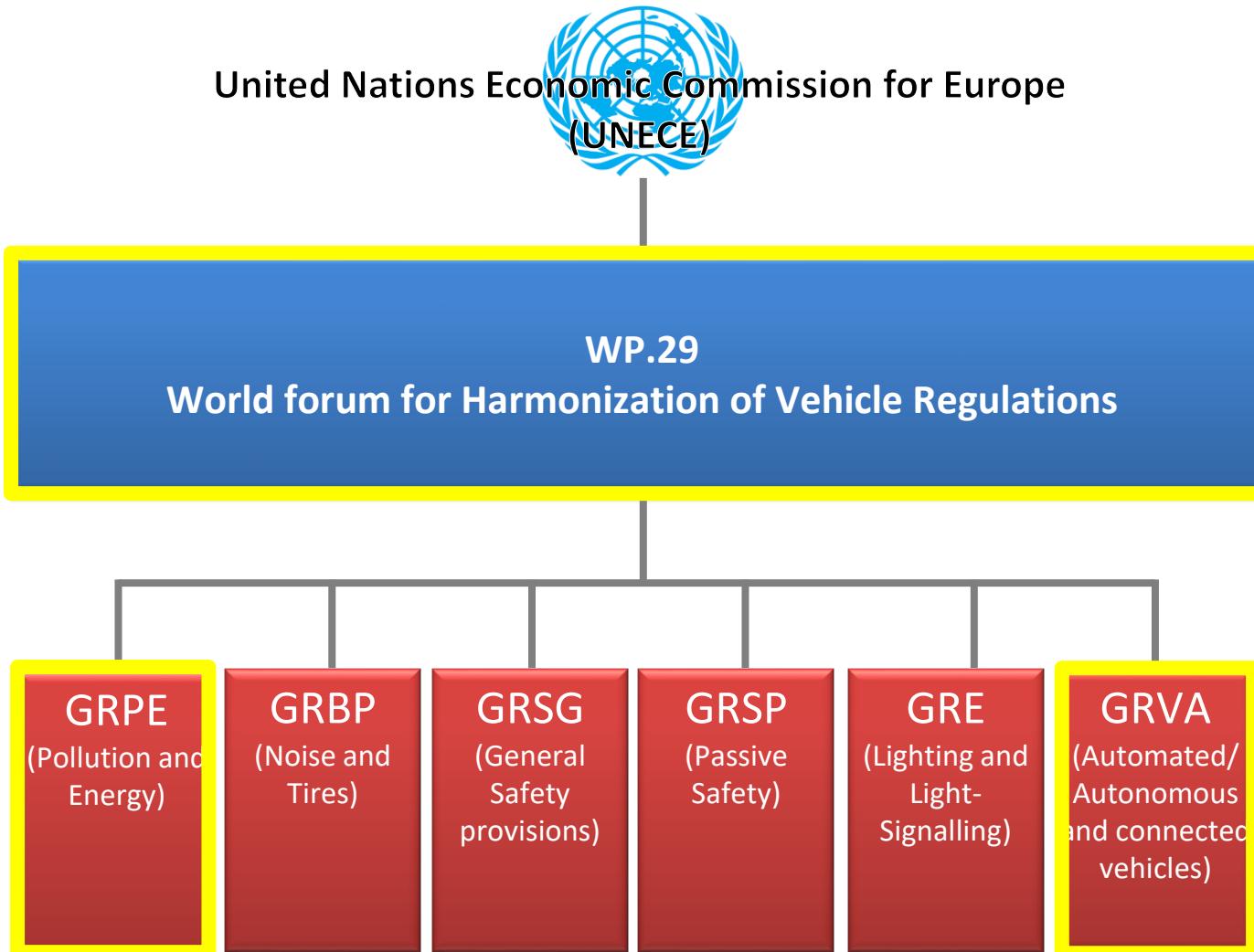
- ① Promote vehicle safety measures that are fair to all, including children and the elderly
- ② **Make WP.29 a truly global conference body that also reflects the voices from developing economies such as in Asia**
- ③ Further contribution to road safety and carbon neutrality at the global level

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What is the WP.29?

WP29 is **only one organization in the world** to discuss international road vehicle regulation.



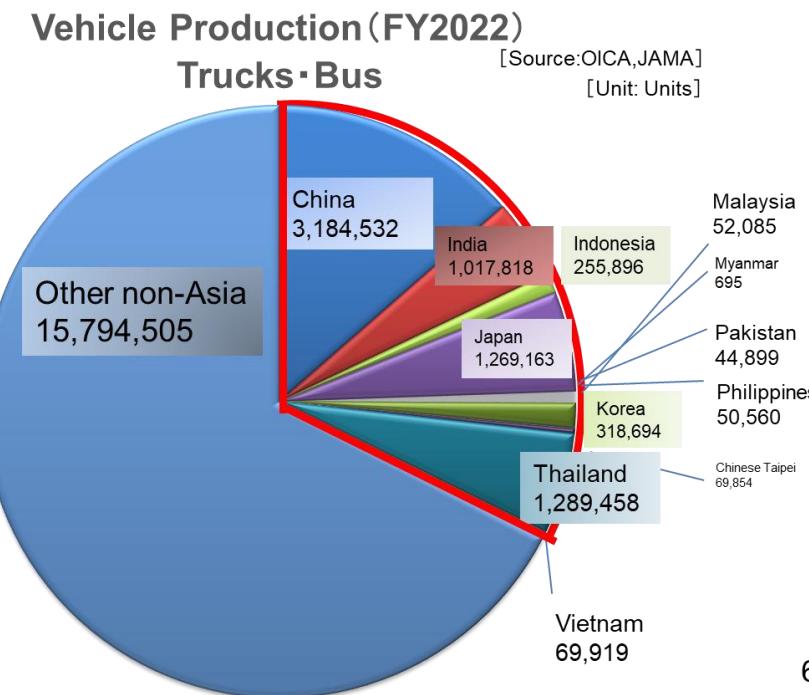
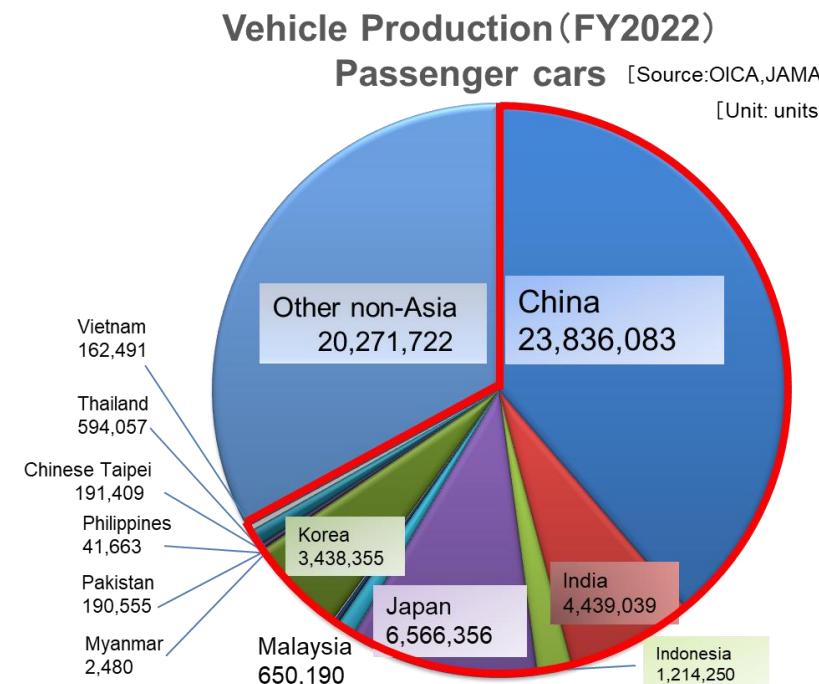
GRVA Chair: Germany (Mr. Richard Damm)
Vice Chair: China (Ms. Chunmei Chen)
Japan (Mr. Takashi Naono)
US (Mr. Ezana)



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4. Chance to convey our voice to WP.29/GRVA

Asia have big impact for world automobile area. Some statics say that

- **Safety:** The number of road traffic fatalities is **more than half** in the world.
- **Environment:** CO₂ emissions in automotive area are **more than 1/3** of the world's total.
- **Automobile industry:** As for passenger car production, it accounts for **about 2/3** of the world's total !



- **Asia has huge impact to global automobile situation**
- **However, have we conveyed our voice to WP.29 effectively?**

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- Comparing impact of Asia, there were **few participants from Asia**, due to difficulties by the distance from Asia to Geneva
- We need to consider how to reflect our situation to WP/29 discussion.
- I believe creating our common message and collaboration would be efficient!
- **That is “Asian One Voice”.**

List of participating countries in the 194th WP.29
(excluding regions and organizations)

Austria	Italy	Sweden	Algeria
Belarus	Liechtenstein	Switzerland	Australia
Canada	Netherlands	Türkiye	China
Czechia	(Kingdom of the)	United Kingdom of Great	Japan
Finland	Norway	Britain and Northern Ireland	Jordan
France	Poland	United States of America	Korea
Georgia	Republic of Moldova	Uzbekistan	Lebanon
Germany	Romania		Malaysia
Greece	Russian Federation		Morocco
Hungary	Slovakia		Nigeria
	Spain		

- Recently, I heard the need to update UNR40, emission regulation for 2 wheels vehicle.
- Japan is happy to support this activity for updating with interested members in Asia.
- This can be an initial best practice for the “Asian One Voice”.



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- Last year, I announced the first WP.29 GRVA meeting in Asia.
- GRVA successfully held in Bangkok, Thailand, this June.
(more than 100 participants in site and more than 50 through Web)

For the next step...

- Japan is offering to held **WP.29 proper session in Japan** in near future.



- WP.29 is becoming more open to the world.
- Although Asia has huge impact to automobile sector in the world, our voice has not yet conveyed well to WP.29.
- I hope to find our **“Asian One Voice!”**
- This is good chance to create initial best practice, hopefully UNR40.

Thank you

