



PAMECA IV

Dear Mr. Tahiri, Minister of Internal Affairs

**Dear Mr. Egstroem, Director of Operations at EU Delegation,
Tirana**

Dear Mr. Basha, Mayor of Tirana

Dear Mr. Didi, General Director of Albanian State Police

Dear Ladies and Gentlement, students and teachers

First of all, I want to express my appreciation for this activity organised jointly by Albanian State Police and PAMECA IV, an EU Project under the leadership of Italy, in consortium with Austria, France and Hungary, for which the direct responsible body is the Central Directorate of Criminal Police I am Head of. This is the reason I strongly encouraged this initiative and wanted to be here with you today.

My presence today wants to convey a contribution to a subject, ever more actual for its specificity related to the youth and traffic safety, to the behaviour changes of youngsters and their moral development. This is an area wherein institutional and social components must pay maximum attention to properly deal with this phenomenon and reduce its grave and uncontrollable consequences.

The efficiency of international cooperation programmes, promoted by PAMECA, thanks to the experience of EU countries, partners in this project, and the collaboration of various international organisations



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operating in your country, adds on to the commitment of the Albanian State to provide material support to the implementation of operational protocols related to the legality and efficient fight against the organised crime, which is becoming ever more global in its activity and its expansion. Thus, in the framework of EU stability policies and support for the Balkans, Albania has become part of EU strategic objectives.

Today, I am honoured to see the realisation of a joint action of Albanian State Police with PAMECA IV targeting road safety, namely the promotion of a project of strong social impact which sets forth fundamental objectives regarding concepts of legality and respect of rules, starting with the youngsters to make them participate in reaching a common goal which is the saving of human lives.

ICARUS Project, which has resulted successful in the main European countries, is launched for the first time in a non-EU member country. The selection of Albania is not a casual fact but it is rather a signal of a process of approximation to Europe; it is a media jumping board on which solid bases for the further strengthening of friendship and cooperation should be built upon, sharing the same essential legal principles of democracy and community....

At last, but not at least, I want to thank Italian State Police and the movie director for their availability and support to this initiative with their advise and materials and for their presence here today.