

Road Management Initiative  
RMI - Phase III  
Annual Report 1997/98

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- Outline
  - 1997/98 in Retrospect
  - Assistance to Country Programs
  - Capacity-building
  - Dissemination
  - Strengthening Partnerships
  - The Year Ahead

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- 1997/98 in Retrospect
  - Main achievements
    - RMI message and process progressively up-streamed into operational programs
    - Initiative extended to three additional countries
    - Electronic dissemination effort enhanced
    - Coverage of French-speaking countries increased
    - Multi-year monitoring framework being developed

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- Assistance to Country Programs
  - Renewed emphasis in demand-driven country-assistance
    - Four Policy Workshops timed with major sector reforms in Guinea, Madagascar, Rwanda, and Uganda
    - Creation of Autonomous Agencies and restructuring of Road Funds in Malawi, Senegal and Tanzania
    - Restructuring of the Road Funds in Angola and Guinea, and creation of a Road Fund in Mali

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- Capacity-building
  - Participation of one sector manager from each of seven RMI member countries in Road Financing and Management Courses
  - Participation of a Member of the Zambian Road Board in a Workshop with the World Bank Road Network
  - Study tour of Tanzanian officials to the USA
  - Development of a strategic model for enhancing policy-making skills

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- Dissemination
  - Four new Technical Notes
  - SSATP Report on Road Safety
  - Four presentations in international forum
  - Revised program Brochure
  - Photo-display in the Web Site

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- Strengthening Partnerships
  - United Nations Economic Commission for Africa
  - Road Safety
  - SSATP
  - International Road Federation
  - United States Department of Transport

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- The Year Ahead - Strategic Focus
  - Putting the roof on the four building blocks
    - Setting-up the legal framework for management and financing on a more structured basis
    - Securing a more pro-active involvement of users and beneficiaries
    - Emphasizing reforms in management
    - Showing results on the ground and using mass-media to disseminate successes and pitfalls

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- The Year Ahead - Regional Thematic Tasks
  - Management and financing: mid-term review
  - Monitoring network condition
  - Economic analysis of low-volume roads
  - Strategic game

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- The Year Ahead - Support to Country Programs
  - Deliver three Country Workshops
  - Organize two study tours
  - Support to operational programs
  - Assist RMI country programs
  - Enable access of member countries to the RMI Web Page

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- The Year Ahead - Dissemination
  - Preparation of four Technical Notes
  - Preparation of two SSATP reports
  - Fostering inter-connectivity with other knowledge networks
  - Preparation of resource presentations for international forum

- # RMI - Annual Report 1997/98
- The Year Ahead - Team Assignments
    - Mr. Pedro Geraldes
      - Initiative management, dissemination, RED model, Ethiopia and Uganda
    - Mr. Thor Wetteland
      - Road safety, regional surveys, English-speaking COMESA and SATCC countries
    - Mr. Louis Fernique
      - Network monitoring, Western and Central French-speaking countries
    - Mr. Gualberto Lima-Campos
      - Research on selected topics, Angola, Madagascar, and Mozambique
    - Ms. Julie Wagshal
      - Conferences, publications, and contract processing