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## 2012 ACRS National Conference: Heavy vehicle safety a focus

The forthcoming ACRS National Conference *A Safe System : Expanding the Reach* to be held at the Menzies Hotel Sydney 9 - 10 August 2012 will discuss major issues relating to heavy vehicle safety.

Notably, an address will be presented by Ms Catherine King MP, Parliamentary Secretary for Infrastructure and Transport. Keynote addresses '*Heavy Vehicles: safety and profit - friends or foes*'. and '*The challenge for rural and remote road safety: nothing new really but what can we do about them*' will be presented by Mr David Healy, ACRS Fellow and National Co Vice-President and Emeritus Professor Mary Sheehan AO, ACRS Fellow, CARRS-Q, respectively.

Plenary sessions cover both post - crash response and progress on the safe system and decade of action for road safety in Australasia. Presenters here will include Richard Hancock of the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator Project. A technical session devoted to Fleet Management including heavy vehicles is programmed. This session will include the papers '*Comparing heavy vehicle safety management in Australia and the United States*', '*Techniques for paradigm improvements towards a heavy vehicle safe system*', '*The Zero Driving Fatalities Project - improving the safety of a large government organisation's fleet*' and '*Fleet safety management in hazmat transportation : challenges in Thailand*'.

The Conference program, hospitality and activities are sponsored by a number of key organisations including 3M, Mobileye, the Department of Transport and Infrastructure, the National Road Safety Council, NSW Motor Accident Authority, and many more.

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