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### **GB-Consult and its Range of Service**

The award-winning Austrian engineering company with a global reputation for technical excellence and state-of-the-art projects operates in these areas:



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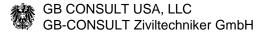
**Construction Supervision** 



Forensic Engineering



Planning & Supervision of Road Safety Training Centers







### **RSTC - Road Safety Training Centers**



- 50% of the turnover done abroad (Spain, Egypt, Germany etc.)
- For quality assurance of our design and especially of the construction works, we cooperate with the asphalt and roadwork laboratories of the RWTH Aachen and the FH Aachen (university of applied sciences).
  - both of these laboratories have the certification acc. to the RAP STRA 2010 (guidelines for the acceptance of testing laboratories for construction materials and mixtures in road construction, 2010).
- Our project director for RSTC and race track projects, Mr. Georg Heuer, is also technichal manager of the laboratory of the FH Aachen (university of applied sciences).





#### DRIVER TRAINING BEHIND THE WHEEL

- Create a center of competence with a real life training "behind the wheel"
- Help to achieve national safety targets
- Reduce the amount of injuries/deaths
- Reduce the number of vehicle crashes
- Save fuel costs





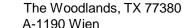












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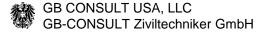


#### TRAINING FOR ALL TARGET GROUPS

- Novice / Teenage drivers
- Bus drivers
- Government departments, i.e. police, highway patrol, special agencies, ambulance, fire brigade
- Truck drivers (fleet management)
- Motorcycle drivers



All drivers are invited to improve their knowledge.





### **DRIVING WITH A TRAILER**





Knowledge	Skills	Awareness
<ul> <li>Influence of the trailer on the behavior of the vehicle</li> <li>Influence of the combination of truck and trailer; different types of trailers</li> <li>Counter measures when the vehicle shows unwanted reactions due to centrifugal forces and alternation of load</li> <li>Correct viewing and steering technique</li> <li>Electronic and technical equipment in connection with the trailer</li> </ul>	Participants learn to:  > Use the correct viewing and steering techniques when driving with a trailer /an articulated truck > Recognize unwanted behavior of the vehicle and/or the trailer very early > Apply the correct sequence of actions when the vehicle starts to understeer or oversteer > Recognize the danger to roll over and react properly	Participants become aware of:  ➤ The influence of speed on centrifugal forces  ➤ The causes of unwanted behavior of the vehicle, especially the effects and dangers of driving mistakes  ➤ The fact that speed requires space (which normally is limited in traffic)  ➤ The difficulty to assess driving situations and to chose the best sequence of actions



## **ROLL OVER PREVENTION WITH A TANKER**





Knowledge	Skills	Awareness
<ul> <li>Reasons for roll over s (load distribution, steering behavior)</li> <li>Counter measures when the vehicle shows unwanted reactions due to centrifugal forces and alternation of load</li> <li>Behavior to avoid roll over</li> <li>Influence of load and of electronic and technical equipment</li> </ul>	Participants learn to:  Use the correct viewing and steering techniques  Recognize unwanted behavior of the vehicle very early  Apply the correct sequence of actions when the vehicle starts to tilt  Recognize the danger to roll over and react properly	Participants become aware of:  The influence of speed on centrifugal forces  The causes of unwanted behavior of the vehicle, especially the effects and dangers of driving mistakes  The fact that speed requires space (which normally is limited in traffic)  The difficulty to assess driving situations and to chose the best sequence of actions

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## **ECO DRIVING WITH HGV**





Knowledge	Skills	Awareness
<ul> <li>Influence of driving style on fuel consumption</li> <li>Reduction of air resistance, rolling resistance, and acceleration resistance</li> <li>Planning the trip</li> <li>Torque and power progress, combustion and the influence on fuel consumption</li> <li>Accerleration, driving, braking and stopping in a fuel saving way</li> </ul>	Participants learn to: Drive in a foresighted and eco friendly way Recognize traffic situations early and react to them Use the correct gear and shift gear at the optimal moment Use the rolling energy and avoid unnecessary braking and stopping	Participants become aware of: The advantages of a foresighted and fuel saving driving style Their personal benefit of a foresighted and anticipatory driving style The possibility to reduce fuel consumption and become faster



## **LOAD SAFETY TRAINING ON HGV**





Knowledge	Skills	Awareness
<ul> <li>Legal background</li> <li>Forces on the load and friction values</li> <li>Load securing equipment and correct usage</li> <li>Securing methods (blocking, top over lashing, direct lashing)</li> <li>Calculation of securing forces and use of tables</li> </ul>	Participants learn to:  > Find the best securing method for the respective cargo  > Assess the vehicle and the securing equipment  > Use the lashing equipment correctly  > Determine the required number of lashings according to the chosen securing method	Participants become aware of:  > The forces on the load during driving  > The load securing possibilities of different HGV's  > The influence of friction and how to increase it  > The advantages/disadvantages of the available load securing methods







# **CENTER** The ultimate Driver Training Facility

- Complete Package of Training Modules (on 36 acres)
  - Skid Plate, Circle, Downhill Track, Dynamic Area, 2-wheels Area, Handling Track, Offroad Area
- Target Groups:
  - Professional drivers (trucks, buses)
  - Non-professional drivers (cars, motorcycles)
  - Traffic Training (schools, kindergarden)
- **Turnover Assumptions** 
  - 20.000 participants per year
  - 10 participants per group
  - 330 operating days per year
- Investment: \$ 12 million
- ROI: 4 ½ years



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#### **TECHNICAL DETAILS**

- Slippery training surface
- Speed measurement
  - Incl. speed display for the instructor and drivers
- Obstacles
  - Suddenly appearing
  - Cannot harm the vehicles but allow the simulation of different critical driving situations
  - Two types: water obstacles (creating an impact impression when the driver hits the water fountains with the vehicle) and mechanical obstacles (appearing more solide and causes very realistic reactions of the drivers)















### **TECHNICAL DETAILS**

- All modules are remote controlled by special electronics
- 1/3 of the investment is invisible (under the asphalt layer)













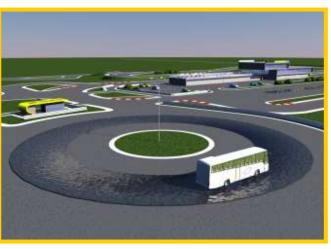


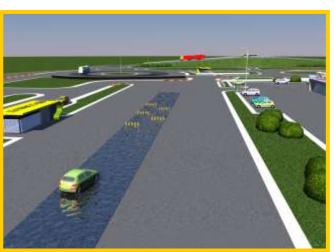
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### **OUR MODULAR SYSTEM**





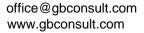






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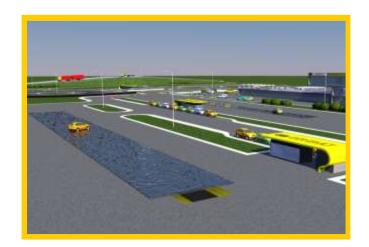
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- TM1 The Skid Plate
- Nearly flat track (decline of not more than 2%) with two rows of water obstacles (appearing automatically when a vehicles runs over the induction loops in the road surface)
- To create a slippery surface, the low friction surface is irrigated with water overflow
- Before vehicles enter the slippery training track, they run over a hydraulically operated skid plate (rear wheels are pulled sideward, causing them to slip)
- **Enables practicing** 
  - Slalom driving
  - Emergency braking, braking comparison
  - Stabilizing a skidding vehicle
  - Distance exercises





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#### TM2 – The Circle

- Whilst TM1 simulates the straight road, TM2 provides circular lanes which are also suitable for all kinds of vehicles
- In the middle of the corner, two water obstacles can block the complete track or part of it
- Enables practicing
  - Circular slalom driving
  - Cornering
  - Viewing and steering techniques
  - Under- and oversteering behavior
  - Emergency braking whilst cornering
  - Roll-over prevention







#### TM3 – The Downhill Track

- On the downhill track the behavior of a vehicle is more extreme, especially brake and serve maneuvers can lead to severe oversteering.
- The decline is approx. 9% that passes into a nearly flat bend to the left
- Water overflow system is again implemented, as well as two rows of water obstacles
- Enables practicing
  - Slalom driving
  - · Emergency braking downhill
  - Cornering
  - Under- and oversteering behavior
  - Distance exercises and many more

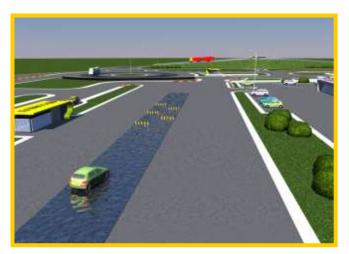






#### TM4 – The Dynamic Area

- All exercises on TM1 and TM2 can be done here with higher speed an under conditions with higher friction.
- Obstacles on selected positions provide the creation of manifold exercises
- Exercises can be
  - Slalom driving
  - Braking
  - Cornering
  - Handling
  - Viewing technique (blind spot exercises)
  - Distance exercises
  - Roll-over prevention

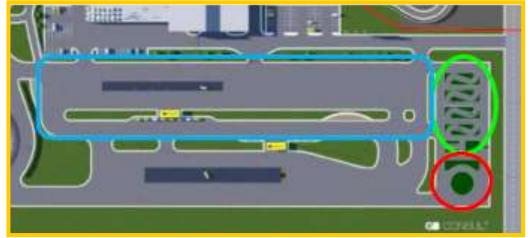






- TM5 The 2-wheels area
  - This is a special area dedicated for motorcycles and moped drivers.
    - The training program consits of MSP (green), circle (red) and dynamic area (blue)
  - TM6 combines several training tracks-in-1 to train basic exercises such as
    - Slalom driving
    - Cone alleyway
    - Stop and Go exercises
    - Turning maneuvers
    - Braking & handling







- This is designed to train the correct behavior in daily road traffic.
- Drivers learn the advantages of a defensive, foresighted driving style and are prepared to implement safe routines in daily driving.

Example for a handling track with high long straight passages

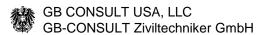


Handling Track possibility 1

Example for a curvy handling track



Handling Track possibility 2





Examples for handling tracks that integrate TMs









Integration of Step 1 TMs into the handling tracks







### Road Safety Centers – Traffic Training

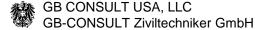
- Additionally, Step 2 provides daily traffic situations such as different types of junctions, a hill, traffic cycles, traffic light controlled intersections, traffic signs, etc.
- Parking training can also be integrated in this area



Slow speed and parking training on Step 2



Traffic training on Step 2 of the RSTC USA







### Road Safety Centers – Additional usages

- Karting/HandlingTracks
  - This provides another possibility to utilize the facility efficiently.
  - Karting tracks can be used simultaneously toe parts of the traffic training or after road safety trainings are completed for fun & events





### Road Safety Centers – Additional usages

#### Offroad Area

- An offroad terrain for 4WD, motorcycles, trucks or quads can be included in a driver training facility.
- This area can be built for
  - Training
  - Races
  - Just for fun or
  - Special events

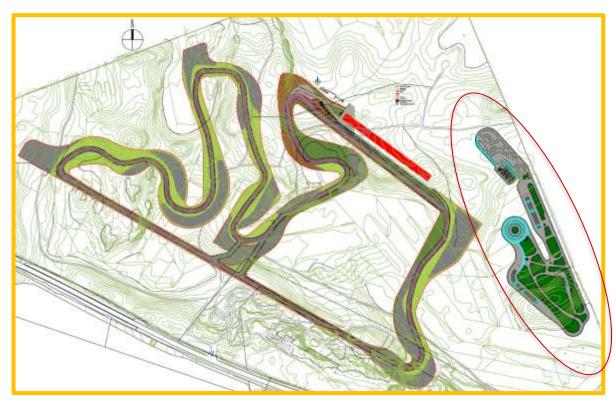








#### Kymiring Kouvola (Finland)



Upgrade of existing race track with driver training facility

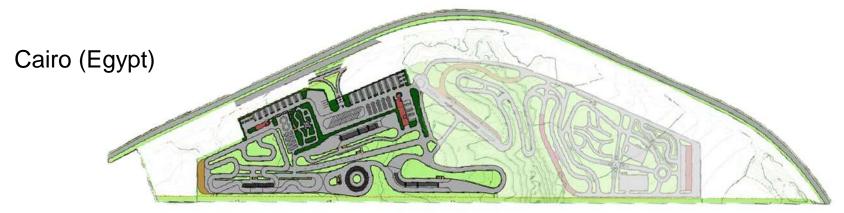


KAEC (Saudi Arabia)



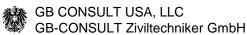
Drift handling course fully irrigated.





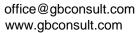






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Racetrack Wachauring (Melk, Austria)

Bresse (France)





The whole course is irrigated for 24/7 wet training sessions.



Asturias (Spain)



Madrid (Spain)







#### Saalfelden (Austria)



#### Marchtrenk (Austria)





Graz-Lebring (Austria)



Innsbruck (Austria)







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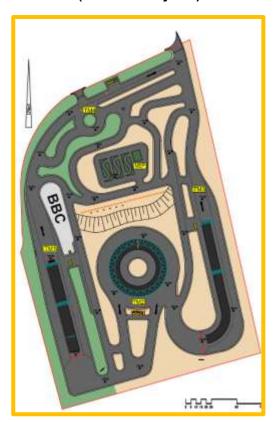


Teesdorf (Austria)





#### Baku (Azerbaijan)

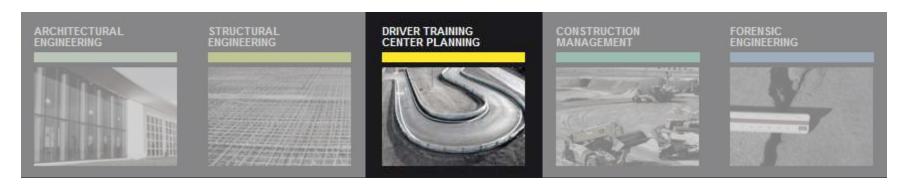


#### **Project Kuwait**





## **Study Results & Practical Experience**

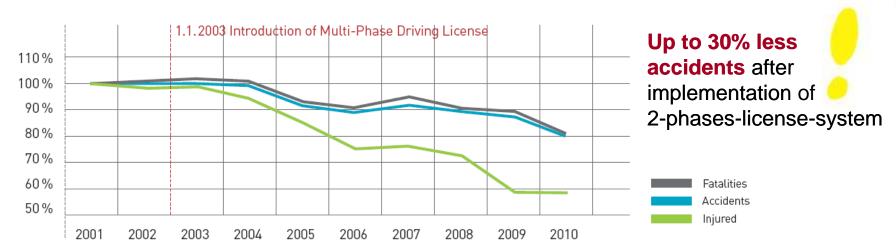




### Young people and the 2-phases-license system

- In 2010, 14,198 young people were injured or died in road traffic accidents in Austria
- Since 2001, the number of young people that were killed has declined by approx. 41%
- After the introduction of multi-phase driver license in 2003, the number of accidents of young people as well as injuries and fatality has fallen up to 30%

Accidents causing injury to young people (15-24 years old), young people injured and killed in the period 2001-2010 [Index Basis: 2001]



Source: KfV, http://www.kfv.at/fileadmin/webcontent/Bereich\_VM/JB\_Verkehrssicherheit\_2010\_Englisch.pdf



## **Safety Training at BP (Tanker Driver)**





- > Started 1990
- ➤ Integrated in BP HSSE System
- Special training with "Anti-Rollover Vehicle"
- Modular Training
  - Road Safety
  - ➤ Defensive Driving, Video Feedback
  - > Economy Driving, Loading Safety
  - > Healthcare, etc.

#### Results (after 1.5 years):

- ➤ Rollover accidents: reduced by 80%
- > Rear-end collisions on wet roads: reduced by 60%

#### Consequence:

Every driver has to receive special selection, education and further education programs annually.







## Safety Training at Billa (Fleet Management)



- ➤ BILLA is a member of REWE Group Germany (an international supermarket chain)
- ➤ They maintain a fleet of 550 vehicles
- ➤ On average, there are 1.7 accidents caused by each of their drivers annually.
- ➤ The average cost per accident is € 2,400 / \$ 3,000 (not including consequential costs)
- ➤ Approximately € 2.2 mio / \$ 2.8 mio of the costs involved with these accidents are borne by the insurance company annually
- ➤ The insurance company committed BILLA drivers to attend Testing and Training programs.
- ➤ This training consisted of specialized training and real life situations with video analysis

#### Results (after 1.5 years):

- ➤ Accident rate was reduced from 935 to 605 annually
- ➤ Reduction of accident costs by € 792,000 / \$ 1 mio annually





### Training on Fuel Training at Blaguss (Bus Driver)







- ➤ 140 busses in use, 80 drivers participated in the training
- ➤ 2 day training (combination of driving safety and economy training)
- ➤ Investment approx. € 600 / \$ 760 per participant (incl. working time)
- ➤ Each bus covers a distance of approx. 80,000 km / 50,000 miles per year and uses up 30-32 liters / 8 gallons of fuel per 100 km / 62miles
- ➤ This is a saving of 72,000 liters / 19,000 gallons diesel fuel per year for 60 busses

#### **Short-term result:**

> Approx. 10% reduction of fuel consumption

#### Long-term result:

➤ A consistent reduction of 5%





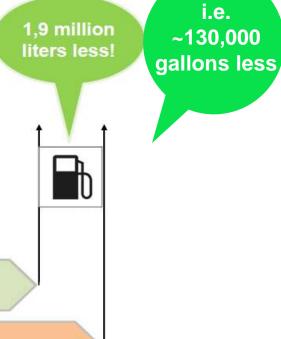
### **Training on Fuel Saving (Postbus)**



1.600 Bus drivers were trained using a modular training system of two training days per participant!

Long – term consumption after the ECO Training: 32,22 million litres /year i.e. 8.5 millions gallons/year

Previous consumption: 34,12 million liters / year i.e. 9 mio gallons/year





### **Letters of Recommendation**



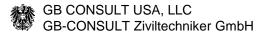
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#### BENEFITS OF OUR DRIVER TRAINING FACILITY

- Standardised Training Modules
- Multifunctional usage
- Enhance skills and knowledge
- Influence drivers' behaviour
- Create safety awareness





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