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OPAL AWARD FOR BEST PRACTICES 2024 FOR HEALTH & SAFETY CATEGORY

Innovative Technologies, Solutions & Training, for Road Safety and Safe Driving

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Introduction

- Global is part of a Global Technology group, involved in designing, developing, manufacturing and providing focussed road safety solutions and services, in the region.
- Since 2012, Global has led the way in Oman, offering advanced in-vehicle monitoring and related solutions, revolutionizing fleet management & safety.
- Our cutting-edge systems have delivered substantial safety benefits to clients while pushing the boundaries of technology paving way to set new standards, in Road safety.
- Committed to innovation, Global focuses on improving vehicle and driver safety, operational efficiency and transparency.
- Supporting Vision Zero towards safer vehicles and safer driving.



Over 50 % of the vehicle accidents may be due to Driver issues such as Fatigue & drowsy driving, mobile phone, distraction, eating, drinking etc.

Over 50% of the Fatigue related accidents, many lead to fatalities.

Note: Above are estimations based on certain International research publications, Mentioned more for perspective. The statistics may vary based on the region's geographic terrain and exposure



2018-2019 - Driver Fatigue Management System : Pilot

- PDO pilot project awarded, to assess the relevance and impact of driver fatigue and distraction on driver safety, 6 months focussed, selective fleet implementation and observation
- The technology was unknown in Oman, and it was an innovative; using AI based camera system, for automatic detection and alerting of driver fatigue and related incidences.
- Advanced BI/ Analytics to collate and correlate the Driver fatigue / IVMS events data for corelation and impact analysis.

2018-2019 - Driver Fatigue Management System : Approval

- Statistical data reports of the pilot project submitted to PDO, showcasing the impact of Driver fatigue on the driver performance and safety.
- PDO Road safety team could get the management approval for extended testing of this innovative technology across different high risk vehicle types and contractors.



2020-2022 - Driver Fatigue Management System: Deployment

- Change over from expensive 3rd party offering, to our own technology; fully industry standards compliant, along with local ICV services
- 100 plus high-risk vehicles trucks and passenger buses

2023-2024 - Driver Fatigue Management System: Roll Out

Roll out of Driver Fatigue system across wider contractor high risk fleet – 1200+ Vehicles

2024: OPAL approval>> Mandate, Standards & Awareness

- First vendor to be approved by OPAL for Driver Fatigue system
- Supporting OPAL & also PDO/OQ in evolving the Driver Fatigue Standards and operating guidelines
- Evolving the standards based (Fatigue Intervention Plan FIP)
- Supporting OPAL in promoting the benefits and usage of Driver Fatigue technology across the industry – Safety events ROP safety week etc.
- Supporting PDO/OXY/OQ in road safety forums, promoting Driver Fatigue Technology



Value Added Road Safety Solutions:

Global Safety Training Institute (GSTI)

- IVMS Foundation & Orientation course > First and only OPAL and MoHERI approved and certified provider of road safety technology related introduction course.
- An industry skills development initiative under the guidance of Ministry of Energy, to promote ICV, in this specified industry.

Virtual Reality (VR) based Driver Training

- In collaboration with a leading international, technology enabled safety learning solutions provider based out of Netherlands.
- Structured driver training and assessment platform, using Virtual Reality (VR) headsets.
- For Black top road and Graded road training. Based on OPAL standards



Driving Simulator Based Driver Training Solution

- VR Headset integrated advanced Driver Simulator training
- Designed specifically for Graded roads
- In compliance with OPAL standards
- Supporting 6DOF six degree of motion
- Can experience most vehicle movements in virtual experience.

Virtual Reality (VR) and Simulators – Benefits & Deployment

- ✓ Promotes the new age training approach "fail safely".
- ✓ Adopts technology enabled innovative learning methodology.
- ✓ The future of learning interactive, immersive, emotional experience.
- ✓ Successfully deployed and operational for over 6 months at OQ.



Events Supported









Driving Fatigue Management Workflow





Local Server Deployment





VR-based Driver Training



FEATURES

- Showing Real-Life Work Situations
- 3D-360° Vision and Spatial Sound
- Animations can show the invisible:
 - Actual incidents, explosions, etc.
 - Looking inside equipment, "seeing" pressure, etc.
 - ✓ User interaction throughout the animation
- Latest Technology
 - ✓ High Quality VR headsets without cable
 - No dedicated hardware, no internet, no Wi-Fi needed
 - ✓ Fully self-contained head-sets
 - ✓ Suited for all languages



Virtual Reality-based Driver Training



- Simulator is extensively used for educational purposes.^[2]
- To model a real-world environment in a simplistic way so as to help a learner develop an understanding of the key concepts.
- Used in cases where it is too dangerous to allow trainees to use the real equipment in the real world.
- Players will spend time learning valuable lessons in a "safe" virtual environment yet living a lifelike experience (or at least it is the goal).
- Often the convenience is to permit mistakes during training for a safety-critical system.



Business Impact

- The launch of our Driver fatigue solution, enabled PDO to introduce this enhanced road safety solution in Oman operations, 3 to 5 years back.
- Successful deployment of this new technology showed improved road safety and enabled OPAL to mandate Driver Fatigue solution, as part of the new Oman Road safety standards.
- Today Driver fatigue solutions is mandated by major operators for all new contracts for highrisk vehicles
- Provides visual proof to authenticate right driver behaviour and in selective cases of accident investigations.
- This has contributed towards improved driver behaviour, better journey management thereby reduced vehicle incidences.
- Our VR Based Driver Training solutions, is being seen by the industry as an innovative digital technology based, enhanced driver training platform



Maturity

- Over 1000 vehicles implemented with our Driver Fatigue solutions in Oman
- Over 3 years of successful operations across several contractors under PDO.
- Fully integrated/embedded and scalable technology introduced.
- 3rd Gen device in operations now.
- 5th Generation devices planned for launch next year ADAS/ driver display etc.
- Deployed on different type of high-risk vehicles such as Heavy/Light buses, long haul trucks etc.
- Implemented for various operators like PDO, OQ
- Being successfully utilised by major contractors like GPS, Galfar, STS, Arabian Industries, Halliburton, Gulf energy etc
- VR based driver training solutions deployed for OQ at Block 60, Musandam



Relevance

- Beyond IVMS.... Driver Fatigue management as now become the new road safety industry standard of OPAL and by most Operators.
- Driver Fatigue management is also now integrated with other road safety technologies like IVMS, MSLD, TPMS, etc.
- Some operators have initiated pilot testing for video and audio-based alerting (a key feature for Driver Fatigue systems) for also IVMS alerts & notifications.
- Some contractors have started using driver fatigue Video alert clips, as a supporting evidence for various road safety violations, for drivers' consequence management.



Innovation

- Innovative technologies play a vital role in enabling such changes in any standards, including in road safety and driver behaviour.
- Artificial intelligence (AI) is the buzz concept today propelling many revolutions. Our drive Fatigue management system are built on AI based image processing and real time alerting technology.
- It can be scaled to higher technologies with multiple intelligent cameras for additional road safety like Blind spot detection (BSD), reverse parking assistance, Advanced Driver Assistance (ADAS), etc.
- Virtual Reality VR / Augmented Reality AR and Simulators are recognised as the new age innovative learning platforms, applicable also for the HSE across industries.



Summary

- Road safety is a very critical aspect of HSE, especially in a region like Oman.
- Achieving Zero Harm, is a challenging objective, considering the various limitations and risks.
- Continuous upgrading of the standards while adopting global best practices become very critical.
- Innovative technologies play a vital role in the execution of the new standards to achieve the above
 - ✓ Al-driven Driver Fatigue and Distraction Monitoring system
 - ✓ ICV driven Fatigue and Distraction Intervention Plan
 - ✓ VR based Driver Training & Assessment
 - ✓ VR Integrated Driver Simulator for Graded roads
 - ✓ IVMS fundamentals and road safety training course & Certifications for professionals



Abstract

- Innovative technologies to address new challenges
- Holistic approach to a technology enabled new standards
- AI / VR /AR technology enabled safety solutions.
- More safety-oriented driver behaviour.
- Towards predicting and preventing road safety incidences
- Enabling ICV, local skills and development

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