

# VISION ZERO ACADEMY

Vision Zero  
International Course  
21-25 SEPTEMBER 2026



For the eighth time, the Vision Zero Academy of the Swedish Transport Administration is offering the Vision Zero International Course. The course is organised in cooperation with several partners from the public sector, industry and research. All practical matters will be handled by the Swedish Transport Administration Education and Training Center.

Sweden is internationally recognised as a leader in road safety, with a long-term commitment to reducing fatalities and serious injuries in road traffic. Vision Zero is the basis for the road safety work in Sweden.

In 1997, the Swedish Parliament adopted Vision Zero, setting the long-term goal that no one should be killed or seriously injured within the road transport system. Vision Zero is both an ethical commitment and a strategic framework that places human life and health at the centre of transport system. Since its adoption, Vision Zero has driven profound changes in working methods and interventions, shaping policies, practices and design principles across the road transport system.

This course provides a comprehensive introduction to Vision Zero as a policy innovation and a practical strategy for building a safe road transport system. Through lectures, discussions, study visits and field trips, participants will gain first-hand insight into the Swedish model and how it can be adapted to different national and regional contexts.

## **TARGET AUDIENCE**

The course is designed for a broad and diverse audience. We welcome professionals working with road safety in government authorities, industry, municipalities, NGOs and academia. The course is also highly relevant for experts from UN agencies, development banks and other international organisations.

## **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

After completing the course, participants will have gained a deep understanding of Vision Zero as a policy innovation and governance framework; learnt how Vision Zero influences working methods and interventions; and explored practical measures for creating a safe road transport system. Participants will also receive a platform, tools and inspiration on how to advance road safety in their own countries.

## **COURSE INFORMATION**

In 2026, the Vision Zero International Course will be held for the eighth time. This year the course will be held in Gothenburg from 21-25 September. The programme combines expert lectures with study visits and field trips to illustrate how Vision Zero is implemented in practice. At the end of the course, participants will receive a diploma certifying their participation.

# TENTATIVE COURSE CONTENT

## Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 8.30 am to 5.00 pm

### **Vision Zero innovation**

- Road traffic injuries in the world.
- Road safety work in Sweden from a historical perspective.
- Vision Zero policy innovation.
- The global plan for the second decade of action for road safety.
- Study visit at The Swedish National Road and Transport Research Institute (VTI).

## Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 8.30 am to 5.00 pm

### **Vision Zero – Governance and Leadership**

- Implementation and innovation process.
- Road safety analysis and methods.
- Management by Vision Zero.
- Group dinner in the evening for all participants.

## Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 8.30 am to 5.00 pm

### **Vision Zero – Safe systems for humans: the road**

- Design principles and practice for a safe system for humans.
- Study visit: Safety measures on rural and urban roads.

## Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September 8.30 am to 5.00 pm

### **Vision Zero – Safe systems for humans: the vehicle**

- Design principles and practice for a safe system for humans.
- Vision Zero – outcomes and its diffusion around the world.
- Results and safety benefits.
- Vision Zero and sustainable development.
- Networking event organised by Business Sweden.

## Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 8.00 am to 4.00 pm

### **Vision Zero – Ethical, philosophical and overall considerations and conclusions**

- Study visit at Volvo Trucks and Volvo Cars.
- Panel discussion.

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## LECTURERS

The course will be delivered primarily by senior experts from the Swedish Transport Administration, complemented by guest lecturers from other public authorities, municipalities, academia, international organisations and industry. All lectures and course materials will be provided in English.

## WHERE AND WHEN

The course will take place at Lindholmen Science Park, in Gothenburg, Sweden, from 21-25 September 2026.

## PRICE

The course fee is SEK 20.700 per participant. The course is offered on a non-profit basis and includes accommodation at Radisson Blu Riverside Hotel (20-26 September 2026), all course documentation, study visits, field trips, breakfast/coffee/snacks (morning and afternoon), as well as lunch (Monday to Friday.) Also included is a group dinner for all participants.

## REGISTRATION

For more information and registration, please visit  
[bransch.trafikverket.se/en/visionzero-course](http://bransch.trafikverket.se/en/visionzero-course)

This has been the most valuable and useful course I have ever attended.

**MANY THANKS** for arranging it.

This course provided a brilliant opportunity to meet up with international road safety leaders committed to ensuring everyone can get home safe to their loved ones. Every day. No exceptions.

The coordination among the different stakeholders is amazing and I am sure most of us, the participants, have learned a lot not only from the content of the discussions but also from the way the course was coordinated.

*Testimonials from Vision Zero International Course previous years.*