

## UN Drivers learn about safe driving through training

**UN Namibia:** UN Namibia drivers learned about safe driving and the basics of first aid and firefighting at a Basic Ethics and Protocol training on 14 July.



The training, hosted by the United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS) in partnership with Ultimate Risk and Security Management Services (PTY) Ltd. (URSMS), included theoretical as well as practical exercises to hone the UN Drivers' skills.

Drivers play a pertinent role in the accomplishment of the UN's mission, and they ensure that the targets of Goal 3 of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 'Good Health' are met. Specifically, they help to achieve target 3.6, which aims to halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents by 2020.

Namibia is regrettably one of the frontrunners in motor vehicle accident deaths per



capita in the world. The World Health Organization's (WHO) Global Status Report on Road Safety 2015 found that there were 23.9 deaths per 100,000 residents in Namibia.

For this reason, UN Namibia pledged to #SlowDown to save lives as part of the Fourth United Nations Global Road Safety Week (UNGRSW) in May. UN

Namibia continues to raise awareness of the dangers of speed in an effort to achieve target 3.6 of the SDGs.