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CMC members sign 'Memorandum of Understanding'

Motorcycle manufacturers investigate further cooperation beyond 2020

On April 28th 2020, BMW Motorrad, Honda, KTM, Suzuki and Yamaha Motor signed a new Memorandum of Understanding to start discussion to continue their cooperation through 2020 and beyond. The goal is to further enhance rider safety by assuring that motorcycles and scooters maintain their role in future mobility scenarios and are considered an integral part of the connectivity between vehicles.

The signatories encourage other car and motorcycle manufacturers, suppliers and related organizations to join the cooperation and to pursue further improvements in motorcycle safety.



Background

Founded in 2016, CMC has aimed to integrate motorcycle-specific safety aspects into connectivity technology (C-ITS, Cooperative-Intelligent Transportation Systems), both on the hardware side as well as on the software side. Based on accidentology data, a roadmap towards the future was defined, which, in 2020, is expected to culminate in the deployment of a set of 'Basic Specifications' to achieve standardization between manufacturers. With this foundation laid, the path now lays open for the next phase in development, including more detailed

specifications and more concrete application definitions and functional requirements. Furthermore, CMC sees the need for closer collaboration with the automotive industry, in order to assure the efficiency of automotive advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) with respect to motorcycles as well.

Statement from CMC President

Mr. Yoshishige Nomura, (Operating Executive of Honda Motor Co. Ltd.), current President of CMC, says:

“CMC has been working on creating common specifications and standards and sharing information with car manufacturers and related organizations to accelerate the development in motorcycle safety. We are planning to issue a set of Basic Specifications at the end of 2020.

We have reached a mutual understanding that it is necessary to assure the presence of motorcycles in the future mobility society through connecting via C-ITS to as many cars and other vehicles as possible. Our aim is the further expansion of C-ITS together with car and other vehicle industries and we expect that the collaboration with car manufacturers and other related organizations will be accelerated through our initiative.”

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