Joint Free Seminar

Identifying Serious Injuries due to Road Crashes

International Keynote:

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With presentations from:

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Venue:

Rm G31, Ground Floor, Old Main Building (K15)
The University of New South Wales
Kensington Campus

Australia’s National Road Safety Strategy 2011-2020 has set a target of a 30% reduction in the annual number of road crashes and serious injuries. Australia has a strong track record in reducing road fatalities in recent decades, but less attention has been paid to reducing serious injuries. There are several data sources that capture serious injuries across Australia, and each varies in the way serious injury is defined and coded, and in the level of information about the associated road crashes. This presents a challenge for identifying progress towards our 2020 target.

This seminar will discuss different challenges and approaches to defining and tracking serious injuries due to road crashes, including the latest directions in Europe and implications for Australia, with particular focus on recent research in New South Wales.

Wouter Van den Berghe is an experienced manager, consultant and researcher with two Masters degrees in Engineering and over 30 years of professional experience, both in the private and non-profit sector, in national and international contexts. He is a member of the management board of the Belgian Road Safety Institute, which focuses on studies and research projects in the vast field of road safety.