Information Brief

Measuring perceived safety and experiences with safety warnings

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Introduction & background

We would like to invite to you to our research project. Our project is about understanding how you experience our speed warnings. Before you participate, there is some important information to share with you.

The aim of our research is to develop a system that helps you cycle at a safe speed, so that you avoid collisions with other road users. To achieve this goal, we would like to ask you to ride three rounds on a predefined route. During each route, measurements will be taken. Analyzing these measurements helps us to analyze the effects of the warnings on your riding experience. Our study is part of the <u>Smart Connected Bicycle project</u> (www.smartconnectedbikes.nl/).

Participation

Your participation in the study is voluntary. You may withdraw at any time, for any reason, and without consequences. The participation will take maximum 2 hours. You are eligible to participate if you are or have:

- 1. Age 18 or older
- 2. Not under influence of illicit drugs
- 3. Not on medication that is issued with an advice against, or prohibition against, participating in traffic
- 4. Is comfortable with cycling on an e-bike in city traffic

The Experiment

When you arrive on the experiment day, we will follow a procedure with multiple steps. We would like to ask you to ride three rounds on a pre-defined route. You will be guided through the route via a navigation app on a smartphone on the bicycle handlebar. We would like to collect data in multiple ways, including sensors and a questionnaire. The procedure will be as follows:

| Nr. | Step | | |
|-----|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | Welcome & Briefing | | |
| 2 | Pre-ride questionnaire | | |
| 3 | Bike ride 1 | | |
| 4 | Questionnaire | | |
| 5 | Bike ride 2 | | |
| 6 | Questionnaire | | |
| 7 | Bike ride 3 | | |
| 8 | Post-ride questionnaire and wrap-up | | |

We would like to collect data in multiple ways. The table below describes the measurement instruments with their position and purpose.

| Hardware | Measurements | Position | Purpose |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|
| 3 push buttons | Emotion ratings | Bicycle handlebar | Collect self-reports |
| Chest belt | Electrocardiogram | Chest on cyclist's body | Investigate value of electrocardiograms |
| Wrist band | Electrodermal activity, skin temperature, accelerometer data, gyroscope data | Wrist on cyclist's body | Investigate value of physiological and movement data |
| Movement sensors | Pedaling frequency, head movement, handlebar movement, frame movement | In bicycle and on helmet | Investigate value of movement data |
| Forward-facing Action Camera | Environment conditions | Bicycle handlebar | Collect data about environmental conditions |
| Smartphone | GPS, accelerometer data, gyroscope data | Bicycle handlebar | Collect motion data |
| Intercept survey | Emotion ratings | Next to the cycling path | Collect data about which emotions are experienced. |

Data and privacy

We will only register your name on your consent form. These forms will be stored in an encrypted file on the internal storage systems of the University of Twente, separated from the collected data. Data will be collected and stored in GDPR-Compliant ways. At any time, you can request to correct, receive, or delete your data. The experiment and data collection have been reviewed and approved by the University of Twente's ethics committee, privacy officer, and data steward.

Risks

The intervention system and measuring equipment can distract you during your ride. We limit this risk in several ways. We ask you to complete a first lap without warning to familiarize yourself with the experiment. We ask that you prioritize your own well-being and safety, and only pay attention to speed alerts and button presses when you feel comfortable doing so. If at any time you need to take a break before, during or after the ride, you can do so without permission. We also ask you to wear a helmet during the rides.

University of Twente and Saxion University of Applied Sciences are responsible for the participant briefing, obtaining informed consent, data collection and data management. If there is any damage to the hardware, this will be borne by the University of Twente. You are responsible for personal injury and for your own health insurance.

Contact information

If you have any questions or concerns about the study, please don't hesitate to reach out to Frank Hemme using the contact information below. If you are not satisfied with the researcher's response, you can also contact the supervisor.

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