



# Dealing with driver distraction.

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## Future challenges – emerging technologies in modern vehicles.

### Infotainment

Entertainment  
Information  
Smartphone / Mobile Phone  
Internet / Social Media  
Mobile Office

### Navigation

Real Time Traffic Information  
Route Options  
Point of Interest  
Parking



Head-up Display  
Night Vision  
Lane Departure Warning  
Lane Change Warning

### Safety & Driver Assistance

On-board computer  
Fuel consumption  
Driver profiles

### Vehicle Management

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**Future challenges – many systems have not been designed for use while driving.**

By today far more mobile navigation systems than fixed installed systems are used while driving.

Many mobile devices are not designed for use while driving due to small screens, complex keyboards and menus.

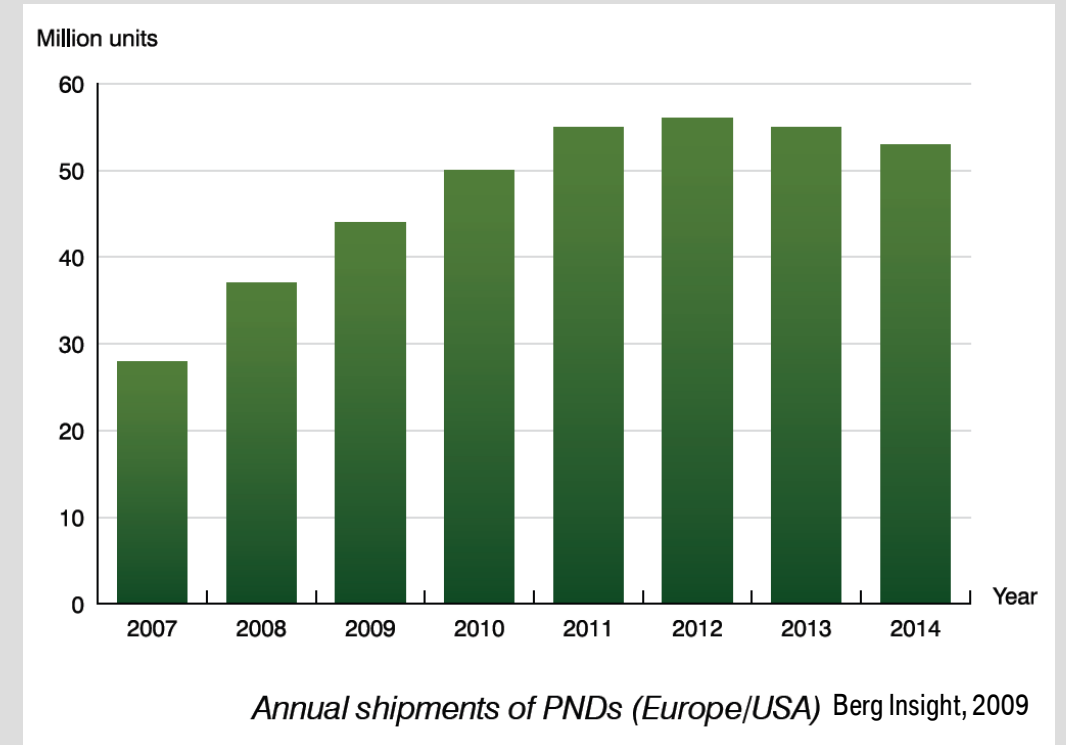
Guidelines for design of safe in-vehicle HMI only developed by OEMs.

Development of technologies to integrate mobile device operation with vehicle:

- Hands-free phone operation via Bluetooth

- iPod / MP3 integration via USB

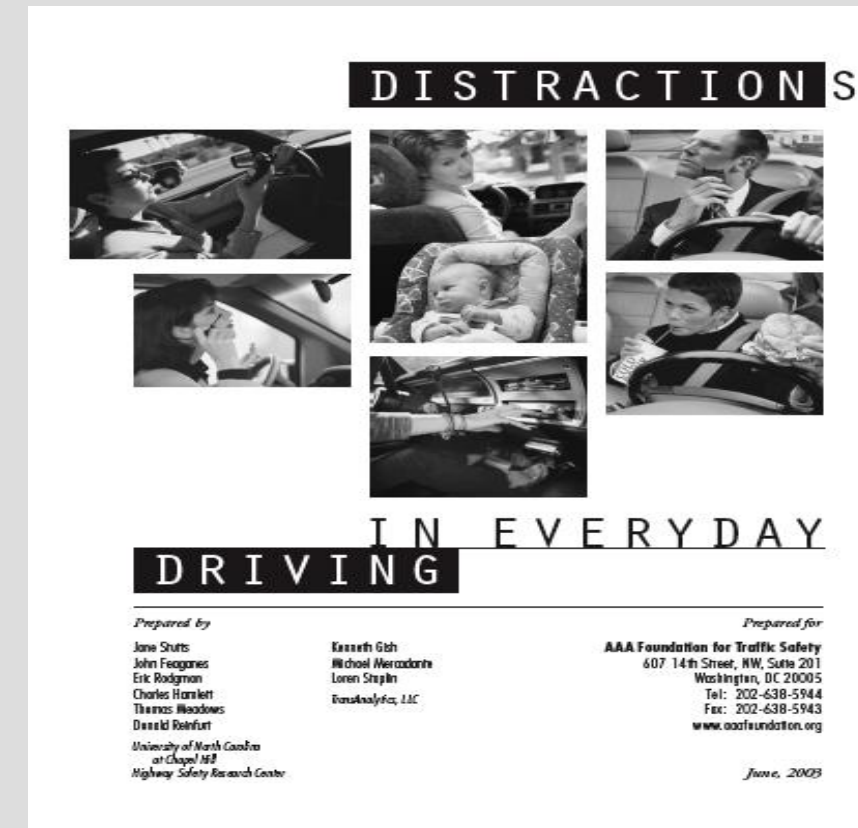
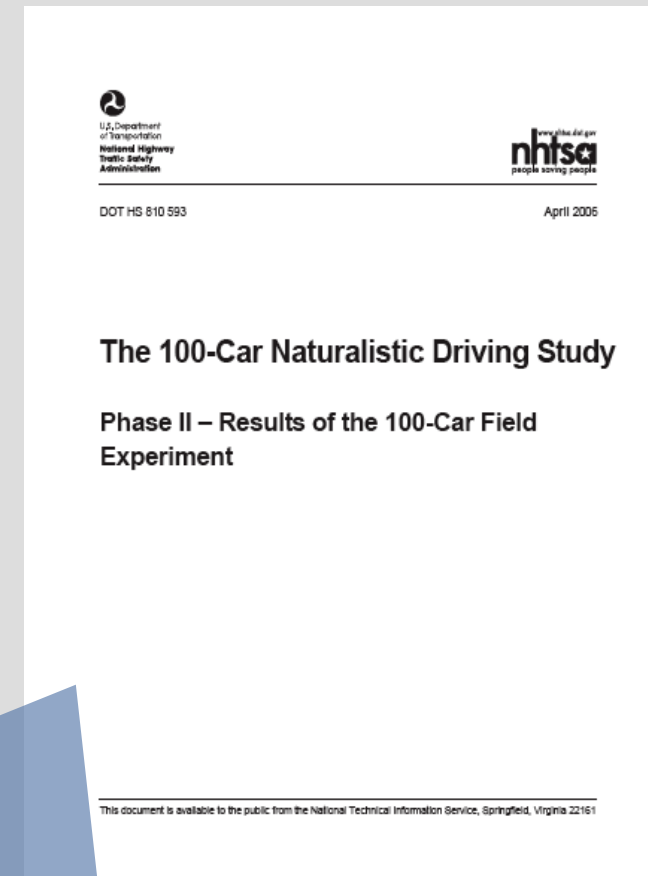
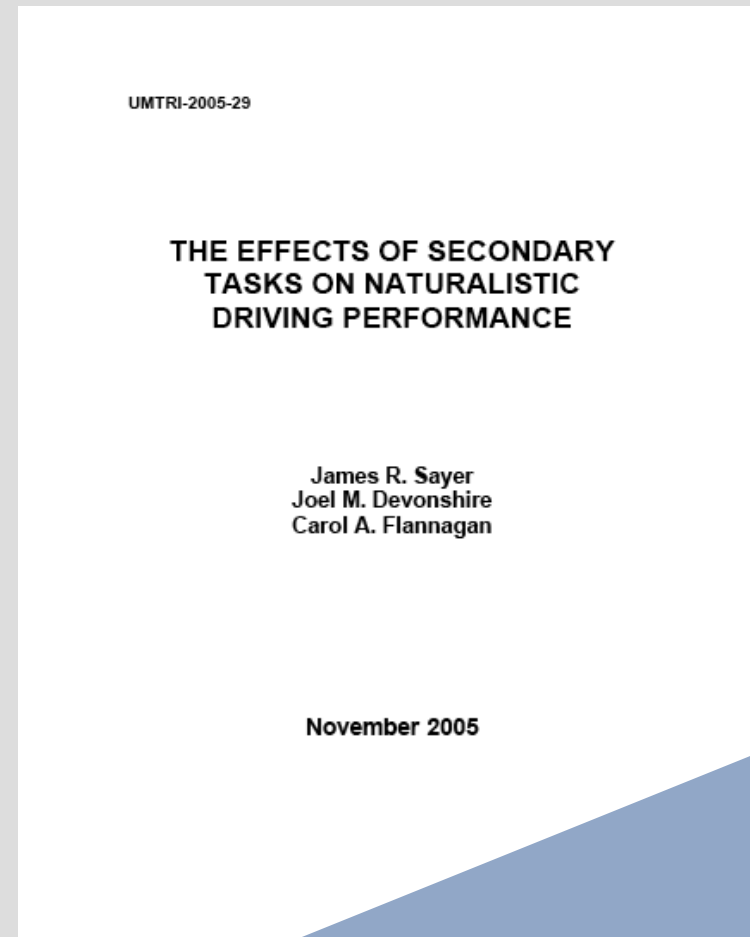
- Text-to-Speech and Text-by-Voice applications





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## Drivers engage in a large variety of activities.



1. In 54 % of all 20000 six-second baseline epochs drivers were engaged in tasks other than driving.  
⇒ People may want to make use of the steadily increasing amount of time they spend in their vehicles.
2. “Reaching for a moving object” was shown to have the highest impact on the likelihood of crash or near crash followed by “external distraction”, “reading”, “applying makeup”, and “dialing hand-held device”.  
⇒ **Driver distraction** must be regarded as a **societal problem**, not as a problem of a specific industry alone.

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## BMW`s strategic vision and goals as response to driver distraction.

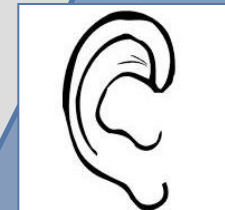
### Dimensions of driver distraction:



**visual**



**haptic**



**acoustic**



**cognitive**

### Well designed human machine interfaces combat driver distraction.

In order to minimize driver distraction, the HMI has to ...

- ... be the synopsis between driver and vehicle.
- ... be intuitively understood, efficient and interruptable.
- ... enable the driver to drive safely and to use the vehicle's functionality easily.
- ... be more than a necessary prerequisite for „sheer driving pleasure“.

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## BMW`s strategic vision and goals as response to driver distraction.

### New vehicle technologies combat driver distraction.

#### Innovative BMW Driver Assistance Systems:

- Forward Collision Warning
- Active Pedestrian Protection
- Night Vision with pedestrian detection
- Lane Change and Blind spot warning
- Lane departure warning





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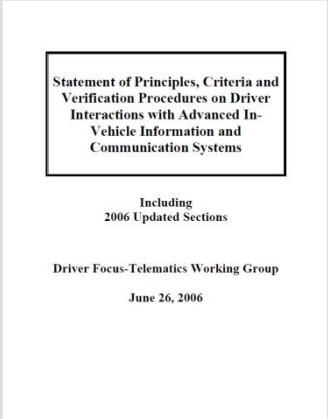
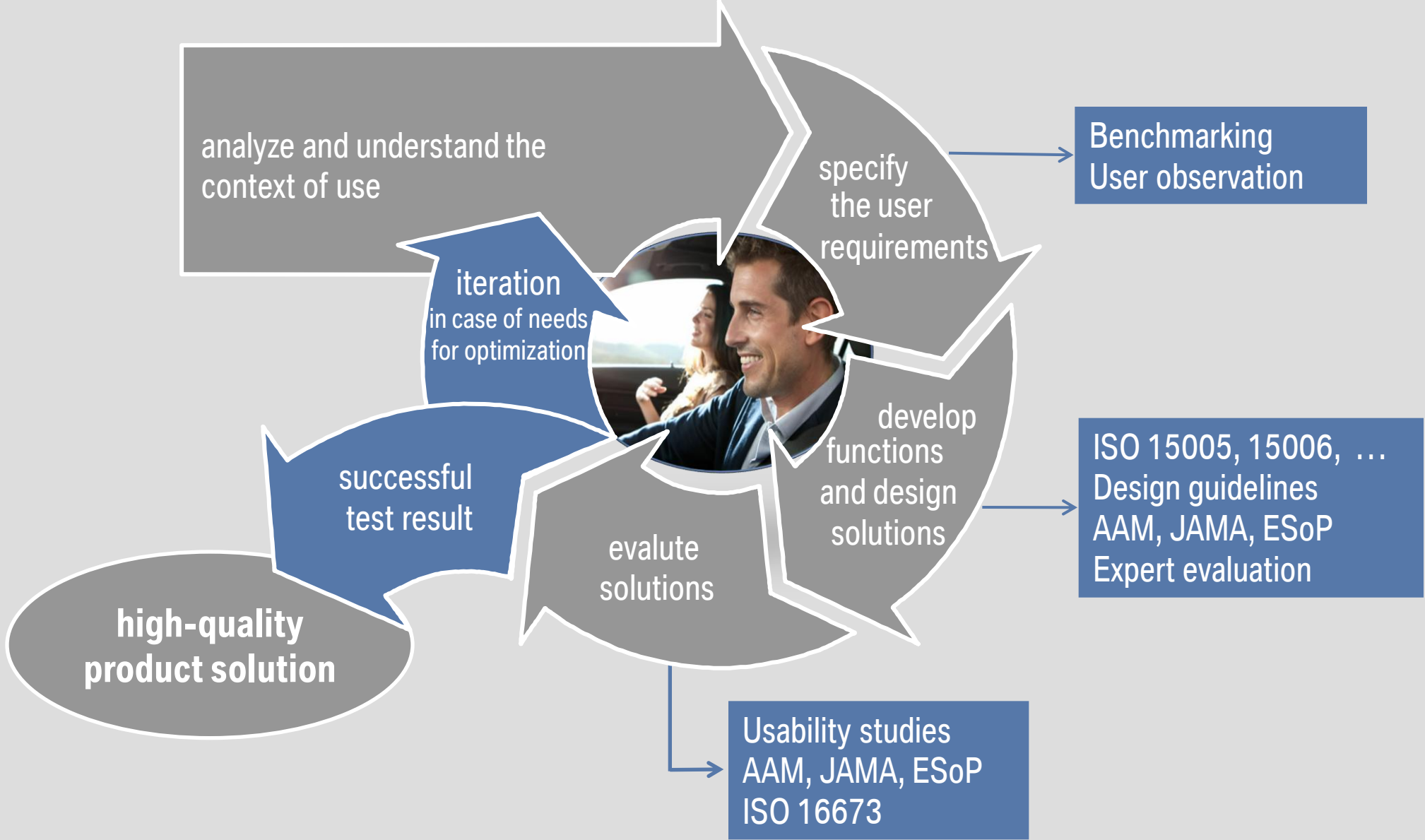


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## BMW`s HMI design process.

Guidelines and Standards support the HMI design in order to reduce driver distraction.



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## Application of AAM Guidelines for the new BMW iDrive.

### Guidelines as HMI design parameters.

#### 1 Installation Principles

- Location and fitting of system
- Positioning of displays

#### 2 Information Presentation Principles

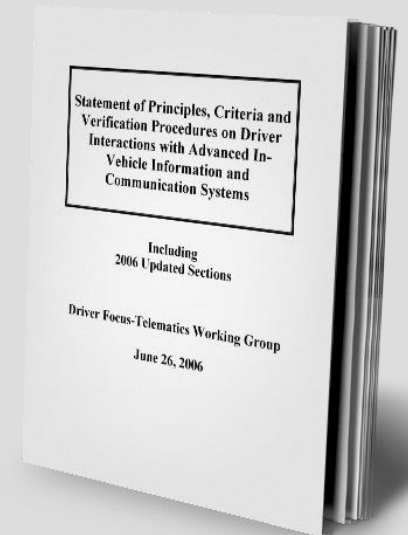
- Legibility, icons, symbols, character size
- Contrast, luminance
- Short and sequential

#### 3 Interaction Principles

- Interruptible, resumable
- Pace of interaction controlled by the driver
- Timely and clearly perceptible system response

#### 4 System Behavior Principles

- Video and moving images should be disabled
- Malfunction information should be presented to driver



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## Application of AAM Guidelines for the new BMW iDrive.

Guidelines as HMI design parameters.



Highly  
Mounted displays

Controls

**BMW iDrive meets AAM design  
requirements**



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### Guidelines as HMI evaluation criteria.

“A visual or visual-manual task intended for use by the driver while the vehicle is in motion should be designed to the following criteria:” (AAM-Guideline, 2006)

#### **Alternative A:**

-  A1: Single glance durations should not exceed 2 seconds.
-  A2: Task completion should not require more than 20 seconds of total glance time to task displays and controls.

#### **Alternative B:**

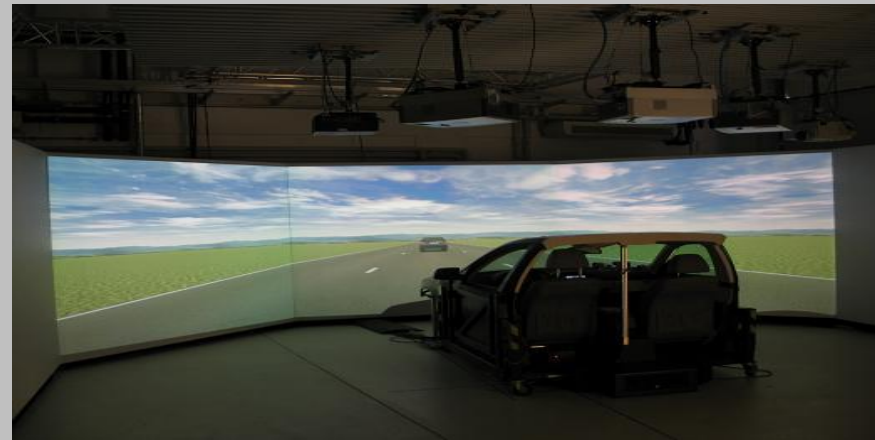
-  B1: Number of lane exceedences observed during secondary task execution should not be higher than the number of lane exceedences observed while performing a reference task.
-  B2: Car following headway variability observed during secondary task execution should not be worse than the car following headway observed while performing a reference task.



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Guidelines as HMI evaluation criteria.



Driving simulator



Lane keeping + time headway



Eye tracking

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## Conclusion.

1. HMI has a **high strategic relevance** for BMW.
2. BMW takes responsibility by **actively contributing to research**, standards and self-commitments and by **introducing innovations** on HMI.
3. Guidelines and Standards **should facilitate good HMI design** and not prevent technical innovations.
4. BMW takes into account the **European (ESoP) as well as the American HMI-guidelines (AAM)** as basic requirements for HMI.
5. BMW applies a set of **state-of-the-art methods** along the vehicle development process to design, evaluate and optimize the HMI.



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6. **Task-based criteria** are used in order to optimize the **efficiency of interaction**, which is relevant to customer acceptance.
7. In the context of **safety**, the **compatibility between the driving task and the secondary task** has the highest priority for BMW.
8. In view of the fastly increasing use of devices not specifically designed for being used while driving, **HMI guidelines may only become effective for traffic safety, if all system types are developed to the same standards** independent of their functionality and degree of integration.
9. Good HMI-design is not sufficient – drivers need to be **informed / educated** to use all types of systems in a **responsible** way.