

FITTING SAFETY AS STANDARD

Seatbelt reminders and EU vehicle safety legislation

**Breakfast debate, Members' Salon, European Parliament
Altiero Spinelli Building, 60 rue Wiertz, 1047 Brussels**

13 October 2015, 08:00 – 09:00

This event is kindly hosted by Dieter-Lebrecht Koch MEP

500 people die on EU roads every week and road collisions remain the single biggest non-health-related cause of death in Europe. But many of these tragedies could be prevented through the standard-fitting of innovative safety technologies being designed and developed in Europe such as audio-visual Seat Belt Reminder systems.

Already required for driver seats on new cars, simply adding the devices to all passenger seats could help save up to 900 lives a year in Europe.

With the European Commission currently reviewing the Regulation on the General Safety of Motor Vehicles, this timely breakfast debate will explore how the EU can ensure maximum penetration of seat belt reminders and other technologies. The event is the second in a series on vehicle safety legislation and follows an event last November on Intelligent Speed Assistance.

Chair: **Ellen Townsend, Policy Director, ETSC**

07:45	Registration
08.00-08.05	Welcome Dieter-Lebrecht Koch MEP
08.05-08.10	The Priorities for the revision of the General Safety Regulation Antonio Avenoso, Executive Director, ETSC
08.10-08.20	Seat belt reminders: a life-saving technology Prof. Dr.-Ing. Lars Hannawald, Managing Director, Institute for Traffic Accident Research - University of Technology - Dresden
08.20-08.30	Priorities for vehicle safety in the context of the revision of the General Safety Regulation: Seat belt reminders Joanna Szychowska, European Commission, Head of Automotive Unit, DG Enterprise
08.30-08.35	Euro NCAP Roadmap for vehicle Safety with a focus on Seat belt reminders Michiel Van Ratingen, Secretary General, EuroNCAP
08.35-08.40	How can Seat belt reminders help Police enforcement? Koen Ricour, TISPOL – European Traffic Police Network, Council for Belgium
08.40-08.55	Questions and Answers – Debate with the audience
09.00	Concluding Remarks



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