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European mobility week

Greens present new strategy on changing how we get around

The Greens are **organising a number of actions during European mobility week to raise awareness about 'soft mobility'** and these will also be presented during this press conference.

Key demands of the Greens include **the rapid introduction of a kerosene tax and an emissions trading scheme for airlines**, as well as a sustainable concept for 'urban mobility', **encouraging people to walk, bike, take public transport and/or participate in car-sharing and carpooling initiatives**. This will have clear knock-on benefits for the overall quality of life in cities.

Green MEPs and staff members will be joined by Belgian cycling legend **Eddy Merckx** as **they cycle to Strasbourg for the next session of the European Parliament, setting off on European car-free day**, Friday, 22 September at noon. The details of this action will also be presented at the press conference.

Details of the press conference:

When: Friday, 15 September 2006 at 10.30 a.m.

Where: Briefing Room, PHS 0A50 Press Centre, European Parliament, Brussels

Speakers: Michael Cramer MEP (Germany), Eva Lichtenberger MEP (Austria)

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