



INVITATION TO THE PRESS: 13 August 2007

You are cordially invited to the

11th Annual MEP Motorcycle Ride

Wednesday 5th September 2007, from 18.00hrs

European Parliament Strasbourg (Allée du Printemps)

Meeting at the Main Entrance of the EP Building

Urban Transport and Motorcycle Safety:

Members of the European Parliament and EU Motorcyclists will meet over these two issues and ride together through the splendid region of Strasbourg

The Federation of European Motorcyclists' Associations (FEMA) is the representative federation of powered two-wheeler users across Europe. FEMA represents 23 citizens' national organisations at the European Union and agencies of the United Nations and reaches around 350.000 members and affiliated clubs. FEMA works both at local and national levels through its affiliated members and at the European and international level through its Brussels-based office.

Following the success of previous editions, FEMA is proud to announce the launch of its **11th MEP Motorcycle Ride**, which will take place this Wednesday 5th September 2007 in Strasbourg. This annual ride with Members of the European Parliament is an important opportunity for European Motorcyclists Associations from all over Europe, MEPs, Representatives from the European Commission and other stakeholders to meet and discuss important motorcycle issues.

After a nice ride to discover the joy and advantages of motorcycling, a dinner will be offered at a pleasant restaurant along the Rhine, where FEMA will have the opportunity to present European motorcyclists' views on the European Commission's **Green Paper on Urban Transport** – which will be presented in autumn 2007 - and the role Power Two Wheelers can play in urban areas to address pollution, congestion, infrastructure and social inclusion. This event will also be the opportunity to present **FEMA's revised European Agenda for Motorcycle Safety**, which will provide in-depth motorcyclists' views on the issue.

The importance of the themes to be discussed and the exciting new program of this 11th MEP Motorcycle Ride make it an event not be missed!

Program

18.00	Meeting in front of the European Parliament
18.30	Short Speeches from representatives of FEMA and MEPs
19.00	Departure of the MEP Motorcycle Ride Ride through scenic Alsatian region South of Strasbourg
20.30	Arrival at Restaurant and cocktail
21.00	Dinner
22.30	DJ Party

Press packs and detailed route of the ride will be available on request and at the meeting point the day of the event.

Please also visit our website <http://www.mep-ride.eu/> for additional practical details and updates or directly contact us Tel + 32 2 7369047

Interested in covering this unique event?

Please fill in and return the participation form below before **28 August** to FEMA:

Fax + 32 2 736 94 01 or by email to virginie.fema@chello.be

Participation Form for the Press

MEP Motorcycle Ride, Wednesday 5th August 2007, European Parliament Strasbourg

Name of Journalist:

Country:

Publication:

TV/Radio Station:

Email:

Phone:

I wish to cover:

- The **Departure** in front of the EP
- The **Motorcycle Ride**
- The **Dinner/Evening**

Please specify whether you wish to participate:

- To the **Ride**
 - As a passenger on a motorcycle
 - As a rider
 - I will take my own motorcycle
 - I would like to borrow a motorcycle (subject to availability)
- To the **Dinner**
 - I will take the shuttle bus
 - I will come on my own (20' drive from the EP)
- To the **Party**
 - I will take the shuttle bus
 - I will come on my own (20' drive from the EP)

Gloves and appropriate clothes are recommended to ride a powered two-wheeler. Only helmets and rain suits will be provided. Members of the European Parliament have priority on the motorcycles/scooters made available for the event.