



WORLD DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims 15th November 2020

REMEMBER*SUPPORT*ACT

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The World Day of Remembrance was set up in response to road victims' deep need for public recognition of their loss and suffering and an opportunity for sharing their emotions with fellow victims worldwide. The most crucial aim of the World Day is to bring attention to the global road carnage in order to stop it.

We celebrate two major anniversaries this year

On Sunday, 15th November, we are celebrating the 25th anniversary of the World Day being observed internationally and the 15th anniversary since its recognition by the United Nations - two major anniversaries! During those many years, hundreds of commemorative events had taken place and many millions of road victims have been added to the millions already being remembered.

Theme: REMEMBER*SUPPORT*ACT

REMEMBER those who died
SUPPORT those who survived
ACT for a better post-crash response

FEVR's Main event: Commemoration Event on 15th November in Zabawa

As in previous years (2017 Ljubljana, 2018 Barcelona, 2019 Brussels), FEVR is co-organising a World Day commemoration ceremony on 15th November in Zabawa, Poland (near Kraków), with our Polish member association Przejście, the Polish National Road Safety Council, Motor Transport Institute and Center of Initiatives for Road Safety Improvement.

Zabawa is a small village near Cracow, Malopolska region. It is the only place in Poland with a monument dedicated to traffic victims, called „Przejście” – the „Passage”. On the monument you can find thousands of plates with names of dead victims: ages, dates of births and dates of deaths. The monument itself is a kind of silent voice of those who are gone, a way of connection with the families with a symbolic Light towards the sky.

Watch online here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2y-4Y6LNmSQ&feature=youtu.be>



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FEVR's Exhibition: 10 years - 10 posters - 10 messages - 10 lessons learned.

Every year during the past decade, FEVR offered materials, such as posters and videos, to organizers of World Day events. These materials reflected each year's World Day theme and those themes were based on individual Pillars of the Global Plan for the Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020.

For example, in 2016, based on Pillar 5 – Post-crash response – the chosen theme was:

Vital post-crash actions: Medical Care, Investigation, Justice!

Link: <https://fevr.org/expo/#intro>

Jeannot Mersch, president of FEVR said: "I wish that the 3rd Sunday of November will continue to be the most important day for victims around the world and that all organisations working for support of victims and road danger reduction will work together united to promote the World Day during the next 25 years."

Brigitte Chaudhry MBE, who promoted the World Day for 25 years from the beginning, said: "We victims demand genuine and effective ACTION, so that the reprehensible toll of 1.35 million road deaths and over 50 million injuries stops being repeated year after year. The response to the global Covid 19 death toll, now nearing 1,255 million, is profound shock and concerted action at highest levels to end this pandemic. We must finally see equally serious action to stop the pandemic of road death and injury!"

Jean Todt, UN Special Envoy for Road Safety, said: "I would like to congratulate FEVR for their continuous work in promoting the World Day of Remembrance, for 25 years now. It was also 15 years ago that FEVR's actions led to the UN General Assembly initiating the first ever World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims."