

Post Europ Green Fleet Forum – Kick off Meeting

Post Europ is the voice of the postal industry in Europe and is the **Association of 48 European public postal operators**. It was created in 1993 to optimise postal operations and postal services in Europe, and foster greater cooperation between its Members. It is working towards representing the entire European postal industry.

Transportation is the operational backbone of European Public Postal Operators who are under constant pressure to perform at optimum. Today, the postal industry is faced with many challenges including the growing cost of fossil fuels and an increasing need for climate-neutral solutions. Many of the member countries have initiatives to reduce carbon emissions and to prevent duplication the Green Fleet Forum was established for collaboration between the postal services on experience, testing, and implementation of carbon reducing ideas and best practice.

The Forum

The Forum was held in Brussels on the 10th February 2010 as was attended by PostEurop, European Public Postal Operators including the Royal Mail, P&T Luxembourg, TNT, Itella, CTT Correios de Portugal, Deutsche Post DHL, Groupe La Poste, Poste Italiane, La Poste- De Post (Belgium), Posten Norge and Magyar Posta as well as a select group of industry stakeholders including FA-ST Ltd.

The aim of the meeting was to outline current situations within the various postal groups and to and to try and develop a collective way forward on achieving reduced carbon emissions. Presentations were given by the postal operators and some suppliers, in a frank exchange of ideas to achieve a common goal.

Conclusion

Georg Schlaghecken of Deutsche Post DHL was elected chairman and the group will meet three times a year the next meeting will be in June. Three working parties will be set up to look at specific area of transport;
Small vehicles, bikes, motor bike, electric transport, small vans and hybrid vans etc.
Medium size vehicles, mainly delivery vans
Large Vehicles, approximately 7.5 tons upwards

The last group is the largest contributor to carbon emissions and the most difficult to remediate, but as stated in the meeting fitting a **Kleenoil** filter will reduce oil usage, and if fitted throughout the European postal services many thousands of litres of oil would be saved. The effect of this is to reduce the number of oil changes, improve the efficiency of the engine, reduce fuel and oil usage and overall to provide a very good payback for a small investment in these oil filters. *In short, this can help to significantly reduce the running costs of your fleet and, at the same time, ensure it is much 'greener' through reduced emissions and consumption.*

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