

Portugal marks the 4th edition of the European road safety day

The European road safety day, established in 2007 by the European Commission, aims to draw attention to the problem of the scourge of accidents, by performing various actions that not only point to this day, as well as promote awareness and reflection of all. This year, the European Commission decided to dedicate to youth the 4th European road safety day, organized along with the Cypriot Presidency of the Council.

In Portugal, ANSR - the National Road Safety Authority in cooperation with GNR - the National Republican Guard, PSP - the Public Security Police, ANEBE - the National Association of Companies of Alcoholic drinks - CMA – Almada Town Council, CMO – Oeiras Town Council, the Portuguese Red Cross and the CR&M Active Training driving, marked the date through various initiatives.

In the early hours of July 25th was held an awareness-raising action, with the presentation of a road safety campaign dedicated to young people. There followed a distribution of leaflets in nightlife establishments of *Bairro Alto*, one of Lisbon's most famous. The action ended with a stop operation promoted by GNR, on the A5 motorway linking Lisbon to Cascais.

On the morning of July 25th, were hoisted 6 flags allusive to events on beaches, one of the busiest in the region of Lisbon. It was also distributed promotional material along the beaches and mounted a road safety school, where several children had the opportunity to contact the rules of roadworthy and safety.

To finish the day, awareness-raising action was performed with young people of the municipality of Oeiras. Young people performed some appointments about road safety. It was made a simulacrum of road accident and used an overturn simulator. The Pilot Elisabete Jacinto also participated in the awareness campaign, who forwarded the differences and concerns among the competition and the day-to-day safe driving.