World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims 2018 event in Malta

Sunday, 18th November 2018

On Sunday, 18 November 2018, the Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Directorate (Ministry for Health, Malta), Malta Road Safety Council, Doctors for Road Safety (DRS) and the Malta Medical Students Association (MMSA) hosted an event for the general public at the Point Shopping Mall, Tigné Sliema from 15:00 onwards.

This event was held in collaboration with World Health Organization (WHO), the European Federation of Road Traffic Victims (FEVR), Youth for Road Safety (YOURS) and the Tara Malou Licari Fund.

The public was invited to visit the interactive stands where members of these organizations shared useful information including the implications of the new driving regulations, the effects of alcohol and the use of breathalyzers. Live music paid tribute to the road traffic victims who were central to this event.

The event concluded with a short remembrance walk in honor of road traffic victims, starting at 16:30 at Pjazza Tigné, Sliema, along the Strand promenade.

The general public, and particularly survivors of road crashes, individuals, families, and friends who have suffered such loss to the roads, were invited to participate in these activities and brought photos of their loved ones if they wished so.

Welcome - Tanya Agius Borg

Live music - songs by Ludwig Galea
Presentation about FEVR and FEVR’s message on the 25th anniversary of World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims - Robert Štaba, FEVR Vice President

Testimony of Mr Jacob Smith, whose life was changed by a road crash

Message directed to youths - Dr Lucianne Licari, WHO Regional Office for Europe, founder of the Tara Malou Licari Fund, and mother of a 17 year old Rata Malou Licari, who tragically lost her life in a car crash
The event concluded with a remembrance walk
Monday, 19th November 2018

International Road Safety Conference

On the 19th of November, the International Road Safety Conference was held in Malta, hosted by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, the Ministry of Health and WHO, with participants representing national as well as international collaborating partners and donors. The United Nations Special Envoy for Road Safety, Jean Todt, also attended the conference.

These entities, which also included youth representation, came together to raise awareness about road safety and what actions can be taken to save lives and prevent injuries on our roads, together and in remembrance of those killed and catastrophically injured.

Road traffic fatalities are immensely tragic as in most cases they could be prevented. It is vital to remember all those killed and impacted by road traffic crashes and take a stand against further tragedies in their name.

The lost have no voice of their own so those who are left behind must speak for them to get the attention these preventable tragedies require.
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H.E. Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta (video message)

Hon. Christopher Fearne, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Health

Keynote Speech: Mr Jean Todt, UN SG Special Envoy on Road Safety

Road Safety Challenges in Europe- Save LIVES Presentation by Jonathan Passmore. Programme Manager, Violence and Injury Prevention, WHO Regional Office for Europe
Panel Discussion on: Safe system approach to road safety: human life is the first priority chaired by Jonathan Passmore. Programme Manager, Violence and Injury Prevention. WHO Regional Office for Europe (from left to right) Jonathan Passmore. Programme Manager, Violence and Injury Prevention. WHO Regional Office for Europe, Dr Jonathan Joslin – Accident and Emergency Consultant, Dr Lucianne Licari – Tara Malou Licari Road Safety Fund, Mr Jean Todt, UN Secretary General’s Special Envoy, Hon. Christopher Fearne, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Health, Mr Ray Gatt – President, Doctors for Road Safety, Mr Ferry Smith, Chairman European Road Assessment Program, Mater Dei Hospital, Mr Pierre Vella. Executive Chairman, Malta Road Safety Council

Campaign World Day of Remembrance 2018 - FEVR Video “Roads have stories” presented by Robert Štaba, FEVR Vice President

Elevating the voices of road crash victims
Panel discussion: Young Road Traffic Victims chaired by Robert Štaba, FEVR Vice President (from left to right) Shirley Micallef Doughty, Malta, Kaja Kobal, FEVR, Slovenia, Chris Goa Farrugia, Malta, Robert Štaba, FEVR Vice President
Youths have their say: Panel discussion on meaningful youth engagement within the safe system chaired by Floor Leishout, Executive Director YOURS (from left to right)
Alex Esposito, Malta Medical Students Association (MMSA), Chiara Vassallo, Finance Officer at Malta’s National Youth Council, Rebecca Ashton, Campaigns & Media Manager. Fia Foundation, Jacob Smith, Priscilla Le Lièvre, Project Officer, European Transport Safety Council, Floor Leishout, Executive Director YOURS.

Conclusions and recommendations of the meeting - Dr Karen Vincenti, Consultant Public Health