

DRIVE CLEAN In Monaco April 2-6 2005

The 21st Electric Vehicle Symposium (**EVS-21**) will take place in Monaco. The spectrum of electric vehicles will be represented from scooters to buses, as well as personal vehicles whether they be battery, hybrid or fuel cell.

Press Release

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More than 15,000 visitors, including professionals, representatives from various institutions, and individuals, are expected to gather in the impressive Grimaldi Forum, where 4000 m² will be allocated for the exhibition.

In what is expected to be a spectacular parade, filled with colour, and silent driving through the twisting roads of the Principality, this opening ceremony to be held on Saturday April 2nd 2005, will inaugurate next year's electric vehicle world event. Media day will be held Monday April 4th and there will be opportunities for vehicle test drives and exhibitor meetings.

All sectors involved in the development and sales of electric vehicles will attend this event, with representatives coming from the automotive, energy and battery industries.

Beyond the exhibition itself, which will accommodate facilities for sales contacts, the scientific symposium will address the state of current research in this particular field, and analyse the latest technologies that will determine and shape the future of the electric vehicle. This event takes place every two years in alternate locations across Asia, America or in Europe, and is organized by the World Electric Vehicle Association (WEVA).

EVS-21 Monaco will be the electric vehicle event of reference for the year 2005.



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Why drive electric?

« A large amount of atmospheric pollution is caused by motor vehicles, therefore it is necessary to find a clean alternative », according to Georges Dick, President of the Electrical Vehicles Club of Monaco (AMAVE)

Symposium debates amongst others

- Batteries and Energy Storage
- Fuel Cells
- Public Policies and Programmes
- Marketing and Market Research
- Environmental Impacts

3 TYPES OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Definition: A vehicle powered by an electric motor.

The electric vehicle runs on batteries and is refueled with a classical 16 Amp plug.

The hybrid vehicle combines both combustion and electric motor for greater autonomy. (e.g. *Prius*)

The fuel cell vehicle converts the chemicals hydrogen and oxygen into water, and in the process it produces electricity.

On Site...

Ride & Drive: Demonstration vehicles will be available for testing by visitors. Three types of circuits are envisaged: The two-wheeler around the Grimaldi Forum, a drive in road-approved vehicles, and prototypes in a closed circuit.

