

Press Release

ELECTRIC VEHICLES:

in the PACA (Provence Alpes Côte d'Azur) region

All around Monaco, institutions and businesses
are planning today's and tomorrow's electric transportation

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The Bouches-du-Rhône département leads

Whereas all départements in the PACA region have shown interest in the electric alternative, the Bouches-du-Rhône is already ahead: 182 light and commercial vehicles and motorcycles are on the roads in Marseilles and its suburbs. A dozen or so "Berlingo" are parked at Marignane airport.

Aix has 17 scooters, but honours go to the regional capital with a total of 54 vehicles on the roads...

The Alpes-Maritimes département is coming round to it

74 electric vehicles altogether. Testing in each big town.

Some private companies have already acquired them (such as Europcar with 8 Saxos and Kangoos), La Poste and EDF are well stocked, "EVs" are showing up everywhere.

The port authorities in Nice are studying a project for an electric bus service in the port.

Cannes remains unquestionably the town of the future with 9 scooters already in use and 4 ELO minibuses.

Will the Iles de Lérins soon have electric vehicles?

Under an agreement signed between EDF and Cannes municipality in September 2004, a study is in progress to acquire 8 all-electric vehicles for the islands.

The Var département takes care of its environment

It has now already been two years since the first electric taxi in France went into service on the island of Porquerolles! Proof follows, among plenty other, that the Var inhabitants have rallied around a system of cleaner transport: the project to acquire small delivery vans (in Saint-Raphaël), the invitation to tender for electric buses (in Toulon), small municipalities having already acquired "EVs" (La Londe, La Crau, Port Grimaud, Bormes...). And especially Paul Ricard's clear-cut choice for the Ile des Embiez: around thirty clean vehicles out of the département's 71.

Testing in the Vaucluse département, the 04 and the 05

The arrival of electric vehicles in Sainte-Tulle (population 3000) and at the Gap municipality's day nursery was admittedly less conspicuous, but the experience appealed to the communes... And 27 "EVs" already criss-cross the Vaucluse...



RENAULT - Kangoo

Companies: EDF, but also La Poste

Of course EDF was already predisposed: 10 vehicles in Cannes, 14 in Nice, 26 in Toulon, 28 in Marseilles, 10 in Avignon and 1 in Gap.

La Poste has not been left behind, with 30 electric vehicles in the Alpes-Maritimes, 23 in the Bouches-du-Rhône, 5 in the Var and 4 in the Vaucluse. A fine commitment, for ultra-fresh mail delivery!

