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The first European Traffic Law Days, held in Trier in the year 2000, initiated by the then member of the European Parliament, Willi Rothley, and the establishment of the Institute for European Traffic Law three years later, pay tribute to the growing importance of liability, insurance and traffic law in the EU – in particular as far as traffic accidents abroad are concerned.

In the mean time, the European Traffic Law Days have established themselves as a forum for the discussion of legal developments, continuous training and the exchange of experience among experts for liability, insurance and traffic law.

They will take place in Trier again this year – once more in cooperation with the Academy of European Law - from 18 to 20 October.

The congress will provide a comprehensive overview of current developments in this area, with the main emphasis on practical relevance.

Elements of the 6<sup>th</sup> Directive on Third-party insurance, which the Institute is campaigning for, will be discussed. Among others, the following topics will be addressed:

- Liability vis-à-vis weaker road users (pedestrians, cyclists, etc.)
- Compensation for the driver of a vehicle involved in an accident
- Regulations for trailers
- Statute of limitations
- Judicial costs
- Social security authorities
- Minimum coverage
- Punitive damages

Further topics, such as protection of children in traffic or the role of lawyers in assessing damages, are also on the agenda.

Finally, current developments on the "Rome II" Regulation, as well as the latest initiatives in relation to the harmonisation of European civil law, will also be considered.

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(simultaneous interpretation)



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**Trier, 18 – 20 October 2006**  
Europahalle Trier, Kaiserstr. 29, Trier

## Wednesday, 18 October 2006

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14:30 Arrival and registration

15:00 **Welcome words**  
*Willi Rothley*

### Protection of children in traffic

15:15 **An ADAC project**  
*Paul Kuhn*

16:00 **The opinion of the European Commission**  
*N.N.*

16:45 Coffee break

17:15 **Recommendations for the European Institutions**  
*Christian Huber*

### Criminal traffic law

17:45 **The Framework Decision on the enforcement of fines in the light of national constitutional laws and the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR)**  
*Michael Brenner*

18:30 End of the first day

19:00 Reception

## Thursday, 19 October 2006

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### The role of lawyers in the regulation of damages

09:00 **The viewpoint of the lawyer**  
*Jörg Elsner*

09:30 **The viewpoint of the insurer**  
*Jan Moerland.*

10:00 Coffee break

### Towards a 6th Directive on compulsory third-party insurance

10:30 **Introduction**  
*Jean Pèchinot*  
*Willi Rothley*

11:00 **Liability vis-à-vis weaker road users**  
*Hubert Groutel*

11:30 **Compensation for the driver of a vehicle involved in an accident**  
*Stephan Fuhrer*  
*Michel Hunault* (Proposed legislation in the French National Assembly)

12:30 Lunch

14:00^ **Regulations for trailers**  
*Alain Pire*

14:30 **Statute of limitation**  
*Marco Bona*

15:00 **Judicial costs**  
*Jean-Louis Marsaud*

15:30 **The rights of social security agencies within the framework of the 4th Directive**  
*Bernhard Pabst.*

16:00 Coffee break

16:30 **Punitive damages**  
Proposal for a revision of Article 1 Paragraph 1 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Motor Insurance Directive  
*Jean Pèchinot*

17:00 **Revision of minimum coverage**  
*Willi Rothley*

17:30 End of the second day

19:00 Guided tour of Trier

20:00 Dinner

## Friday, 20 October 2006

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### Across the Channel

09:00 **English liability and insurance law**  
*John Pickering*

### Harmonisation of civil law

09:45 **New developments in the harmonisation of European civil law**  
*Maria Berger*

10:15 Coffee break

### The „Rome II” Regulation – current state of play

10:45 *Diana Wallis*

In conclusion:  
**Recommendations of the 7th European Traffic Law Days**

12:30 End of the congress

The programme may be subject to alterations

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