

GENERAL PRACTICAL INFORMATION
on the
European Conference on Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion
(Paris/France, 9/10 October 2008)

1/ Status and purpose

- ▶ **Status:** European conference for experts
- ▶ **Purpose:** promote safety and prevent injury and violence in Europe

2/ Dates and location

- ▶ **Date:** 9 and 10 October 2008
- ▶ **Location:** Centre de conférences Pierre Mendès-France

3/ Participants

▶ **States and institutions represented:** European Commission, WHO Regional Office for Europe, Eurosafe, 25 EU Member States and representatives of non-European countries (Canada, Australia, South Korea, Japan, USA).

- ▶ **Level:** Experts
- ▶ **Total number of participants:** 280

4/ Programme

- ▶ **Duration:** From 9 October 2008 at 9.30am to 10 October 2008 at 5pm

▶ **Events:** Mr Luc Chatel, Minister of State for Industry and Consumer Affairs, Government Spokesman, and Ms Meglena Kuneva, European Commissioner for Consumer Protection, will be attending the opening of the conference.

A total of 80 experts will speak in turn at plenary sessions and thematic workshops.

The plenary sessions will be chaired by two experts and the workshops managed by two moderators.

The 17 thematic workshops (safety of children, road safety, fall prevention of senior citizens, prevention of violence, risk communication, etc.) will last 90 minutes each. Overseen by a moderator, three experts will present their work, followed by open discussion.

The discussion summaries and initial guidelines drawn up during this two-day conference will be presented at the closing of the conference.

5/ Interpreting service

- ▶ **Working languages:** French and English (simultaneous interpreting)
- ▶ **Languages used for press conferences:** French

6/ Press information

- ▶ **Accreditation:** yes
- ▶ **Press centre:** Press stand at the conference
- ▶ **Press conference:** on 9 October 2008 at 12pm in the Centre de conférences Pierre Mendès France, Bloch Lainé room
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