

DEPLOYMENT OF IN-VEHICLE EMERGENCY CALL - eCALL - IN EUROPE

WHAT IS eCALL ?	
OBJECTIVE OF THIS PUBLIC CONSULTATION	
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eCALL - QUESTIONS	
1. I am aware of the eCall system	Yes
Comments	
2. I find the eCall system useful	disagree strongly
Comments	
The e-call emergency system will be yet another waste of tax payers money and presumably will provide a stream of income for preferred organisations known to the EU Commission. The fact is that mobile phones already have an emergency number. In the case of the UK it is 999.	
3. I would like to have my vehicle equipped with the eCall system	disagree strongly
Comments	
4. I would like the eCall system to work all over Europe and across all automotive brands	disagree strongly
Comments	
5. The deployment of an interoperable EU-wide eCall can be achieved through private-led initiatives	disagree strongly
Comments	
Absolutely not. The reason being that if the system is compulsory, this will create an oligopoly of the companies producing the system. Furthermore there is no guarantee that it will work. This consultation is anticipating a potential IT system that has not been perfected.	

<p>6. Since 20 EU Member States have signed the eCall Memorandum of Understanding* to promote the voluntary deployment of eCall, there is no need for legislative measures.</p> <p><i>* The eCall Memorandum of Understanding is an expression of commitment of the signatories to work for the implementation of eCall, but it is not a legally binding agreement. It has been signed by 20 Member States, 3 Associated States and more than 100 organisations.</i></p>	agree strongly
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Comments

7. eCall should not be optional, but mandatory in all vehicles	disagree strongly
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Comments

8. eCall should be introduced in the following categories of vehicles? (you may tick more than one box)	none of them
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Comments

9. I would prefer that the voice call and data generated by the eCall system be handled by a private service provider rather than by a public emergency call centre (112 centre)	disagree strongly
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Comments
Absolutely not. Health care is part of the public sector and any emergency calls must remain within this framework. Furthermore any personal data should not be allowed to be held by a private sector organisation, due to the possibilities of misuse, or use for other commercial purposes.

10. How much would you, as vehicle owner, be willing to pay for having eCall in your next vehicle?	less than 150 €
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Comments
This question is misleading and calls for a biased response, because you have not offered the option of the respondent to state that they are not willing to pay anything for eCall.

11. If the price of all new vehicles goes up by ~ 200€ because it includes the eCall system, this would affect my choice when buying a new vehicle	Yes, I would change vehicles less frequently or buy cheaper vehicle models.
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Comments

12. By providing the basic components for connecting the car to the telecommunications network, the in-vehicle eCall system could also be used to offer optional private or public telematic services, such as pay as your drive insurance schemes, dangerous goods tracking, dynamic navigation, breakdown calls, car localisation in case of theft. The availability of such services would provide me with more of an incentive to equip my next vehicle with eCall.	disagree strongly
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Comments

These systems go far beyond the principle of eCall for saving lives, and appear to effectively set out the EU Commission's intent, which is to monitor and track all its citizens, and use IT systems for the benefit of money making ventures for the private sector.

13. The mandatory introduction of eCall will contribute to speed up the deployment of other telematics services in Europe.	undecided
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Comments

Once again this question is loaded, it does not really explain the relevance in relation to the consultation. The consultation seems to be asking for approval of an eCall system to save lives, this question as the previous, has extended the consultation to other services, this suggests that the EU commission is in bad faith and has ulterior motives for this consultation.

14. Other comments and/or contributions in relation to eCall

The eCall system is an example of the intent of the European Commission to interfere in the lives of its citizens, by aiming to impose a commercial product through legislation, when a perfectly functional system already exists - the mobile phone, which can be activated either by a spectator or by the persons involved in the crash. The probability of crashing in isolation without the opportunity of contacting emergency services is minimal and therefore the cost of developing and implementing this system goes well beyond the cost benefits for such a service, which suggests that there are ulterior motivations. The whole safety discourse appears to have taken on a life of its own, that has very little to do with saving lives. Rather it aims to provide an income for research institutes that receive millions of Euros from EU funding, with some projects that aim to find solutions, mainly set by political pressure and commercial targets. This consultation is a good example of the vested interests of the private sector with the collusion of EU Commission representatives to impose technology (for financial gain) aimed at controlling EU citizens rather than for altruistic purposes.

The Commission may contact me for further details on the submitted information	Yes
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REFERENCES

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