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CILT Transport & Logistics Safety Forum to launch road safety film

The Institute's Transport & Logistics Safety Forum is to launch its film: *Our Vehicles, Our Safety, Our Responsibility: Improving Road Safety for Vulnerable Road-Users*, at a high-profile conference of the same name in Bedford on 31st March.

The film was 14 months in the making and has been created to highlight the need for good road safety practice. Sponsored by DHL, Transport for London, Travis Perkins, Skanska, Road Operations Safety Council, Wincanton, Wilson James and AA DriveTech, it is a unique and creative way for leading transport and logistics companies to work together in raising safety awareness.

The conference aims to raise the awareness across leading passenger and freight transport and logistics companies for

the need to work together in improving road safety, with an emphasis on influencing business to place safety at the top of their business agenda.

Confirmed speakers include: Steve Agg FCILT, Chief Executive, CILT; Jim Spittle FCILT, President, CILT; Beverley Bell FCILT, Senior Traffic Commissioner; Peter Shipp, Chairman, Road Operator Safety Council; and other leading transport and logistics experts. Adrian Walsh, Director, ROADSAGE, will chair the event.

The conference is aimed at senior leadership and is by invitation only.

Further information or to register your interest, email: ana.walker@ciltuk.org.uk



Hitachi Rail brings training carriage to the Port of Tyne

A training carriage for the Hitachi Rail Europe plant in Newton Aycliffe, County Durham rolled off the 229m-long vehicle carrier Höegh London and into the Port of Tyne recently.

The part-assembled train carriage will become Hitachi plant's training unit. It was built at Hitachi's factory in Kasado, Japan, and was transported from Kobe, Japan, travelling 52 days and 12,880 nautical miles to reach the Port of Tyne's Höegh Northern Terminal. The 26m long carriage will be stored at the Höegh Northern Terminal, one of three car terminals at the Port of Tyne, until it is transported to Hitachi's training facility

New rules for London HGVs

Transport for London (TfL) has announced new regulations aimed at protecting cyclists and pedestrians for HGVs. The plan was announced recently at the second London Road Safety Conference. In consultations, over 90% of respondents approved of the proposals.

From 1st September, all lorries on the capital's non-motorway roads must be fitted with side guards to stop cyclists being dragged under the wheels, and Class V and VI mirrors to improve visibility. Of the 14 cyclist deaths in London in 2013, nine involved HGVs. TfL aims to reduce road deaths in London by 40% before 2020.

Mayor of London Boris Johnson says: 'Improving the safety of London's roads is a top priority. We know that a large number of cyclist deaths and serious injuries involve a relatively small number of trucks and lorries that are not fitted with basic safety equipment. Such vehicles are not welcome in the capital.'



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