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## **Europe to Launch Large-Scale Test of Intelligent In Technologies**

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In the context of euroFOT, a European-wide research project, 28 orgal including automakers, universities and research centers, have <u>commit</u> scientifically test and assess the impact of eight advanced driver assist systems on safety, efficiency and driver comfort. This collaborative res project is supported by European funds from the DG Information Socie Media.

Both lateral and longitudinal control systems will be tested: systems the warnings to the driver on potential side- and front-end collisions. Also, advanced in-vehicle systems such as Curve Speed Warning, Fuel Efficient and the Human machine interaction with navigation systems will be te

Beginning in 2010, no less than 1,000 vehicles from various European brands equipped with various intelligent in-vehicle systems will drive a Europe for approximately one year. These intelligent vehicles will colle should deliver answers with regards to the impacts that these systems safety, efficiency and driver comfort.

Speaking at the ITS World Congress for Intelligent Transport Systems, Etemad, Project coordinator of euroFOT from Ford, said "This is the firk kind-large-scale field operational test that is carried out across brands

Maxime Flament from ERTICO - ITS Europe, responsible for the coordi the various vehicle centres said: "Car dealers and fleet owners across currently recruiting the drivers that will take part in this experiment. A time, the vehicle operation centers are getting ready to prepare each 1 1-year long advanced data collection."

The euroFOT project is expected to raise awareness and provide indica on scientific data about real benefits of these existing intelligent in-vel systems. The results of the field test will also contribute to better and decision making.

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