



History & Heritage

Fédération Internationale des Véhicules Anciens



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Key Points

1. Swiss ANF gained **recognition** by Motorways Federal Office (ASTRA) and Bureau of Mines
 - + Pending recognition of FIVA cards for roadworthiness
2. Specific & original means for cultural recognition
 - **Club of MPs** (UK)
 - **Symposium** of the Historic Vehicle (Sweden)
 - Sponsorship of **FFVE's 40th anniversary** by Ministry of Culture (France)
3. Start of process for **UNESCO's** recognition of HVs as part of the World Heritage



Major Events (1/3)

- Large national gatherings of HVs
 - Drive it Day (UK)
 - *Journées du Patrimoine* or equivalent
 - France : 3,000
 - Germany : 6,000 in eight major cities
 - Spain (a first) : 1,100
 - Denmark (National Historic Vehicle Day) : ?
 - Belgium : 2,000 ?
 - Luxemburg : 500

Major Events (2/3)

- Special actions in favor of museums
 - France : a **Vice-President** for museums
 - Switzerland :
 - **Museumsnächte**
 - Request for membership of **NIKE platform**
 - Luxemburg : “**Musée Ambulant**” (2007, year of Culture)
 - Belgium : **database** contribution by Federation

Major Events (3/3)

- Defense of specific trade and skills
 - Belgium : request for public subsidies
 - France : FFVE Trophies
- Talks with Public Authorities for recognition of both buildings and vehicles produced in them
 - English Heritage, UK



Other Actions

- « Virtual Museum » concept (Lyon Auto, France)
- Books
 - France : Paris-Bordeaux-Paris, 40 years of FFVE
 - Switzerland : tome II of Faire de la Moto en Suisse



Conclusion

- Showing our cars to gain recognition
- Sustained contacts with Public Authorities
- Imagination (1%) and perspiration (99%)...