

Ecall – UK position

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- **UK is in favour of a voluntary approach** regarding the deployment of eCall. Based on their own impact assessment (TRL study), UK claims that the benefits of making eCall mandatory in all new cars will not justify the costs of implementation.
- **Nevertheless**, the figures they are referring to in that study seem to be outdated, notably the **cost of in-vehicle devices that are currently falling**:
 - regarding the **in-vehicle system**, recent internal evaluation of the different components of the in-vehicle device leads to an estimated cost of ~ 40€.
 - regarding the **upgrade of the emergency call centres**, BT 112/999 - managing PSAPs in UK - , answering to a question from Royal Automobile Club, announced costs for the upgrade of UK PSAPs lower than 250 000€.
- It has to be noted that many experts involved in 112 eCall are British, e.g. experts working on the CEN/ETSI standards and the Project Manager of eCall pilots HeERO I¹ and II² in English.

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1 http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/apps/projects/factsheet/index.cfm?project_ref=270906

2 http://ec.europa.eu/information_society/apps/projects/factsheet/index.cfm?project_ref=325075