

The European Commission's signatory eCall event took place on May 4 at the Berlaymont building in Brussels, with the eSafety Challenge project facilitating an eCall demonstration session, along with Continental and Airbiquity.



The eCall system works by automatically dialing Europe's single emergency number, 112, in the event of a serious accident. The exact location and other vital information related to the accident are then systematically transferred to the nearest emergency service, substantially reducing response time.

During the eCall demonstration given outside the Berlaymont building, participants and members of the general public had the opportunity to watch a manually started eCall, and even try it out for themselves. Among the participants at the demonstration was European Commissioner for the Digital Agenda, Neelie Kroes, and MEP Zita Gurmai, together with multiple government officials.