



## FIM Europe Moto-Tour Assistant Training Course Second edition in Barcelona (Spain)



On proposal of the FIM Europe Touring Commission, FIM Europe launched the 2nd FIM Europe Moto-Tour Assistant Training Course, which took place in Barcelona (Spain) on the 14th April at Honda Safety Center.

The event was particularly successful: it saw the attendance of 18 trainees from Greece, FYROM, Latvia, Finland and Turkey, which means that the Moto-Tour Assistant Training Course managed to attract a cross-European participation. The last edition, held two years ago, had seen the participation of 10 trainees from Greece, Lithuania, Poland and The Netherlands, which was however a good number of participants considering that it was the first initiative.

"Despite untypical weather conditions for Spain, with rain and low temperatures, the group was very excited to participate at all the activities starting with theory lectures and finishing with different motorcycle ri-





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ding exercises", stated Nils Freivalds, Chairman of the FIM Europe Touring Commission.

The second Moto-Tour Assistant Training Course also included a first-aid training lecture, which was provided by Dr. Strecko Margetic who is the member of the FIM Europe Medical Panel. "The attendance of another FIM Europe Commission or Panel is a valuable coope-



ration and could be developed among other Sports or, in our case, Non-Sports Commissions", commented Nils Freivalds. "Tour Assistants appreciated the First-Aid subject as an important part of their future duties when guiding motorcyclists tours. Tour Assistants emphasized the First-Aid issue and hoped there will be a possibility to train or provide more knowledge on this vital issue, so that Tour Assistants gain wider expertise and confidence on how to handle such matters in case of necessity".

The new group of Tour Assistants highly appreciated this training opportunity and the FIM Europe Tour Assistant Certificates issued now will serve as quality and professional expertise credits when selected to organize tours, as it already happened in the past with the participants to the first edition of the Course.





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"FIM Europe and the Touring Commission also hope there will be more and more successful stories in future when the Tour Assistants are hired, thus promoting and facilitating the efforts made in the field of Moto-Tourism", concluded Nils Freivalds.



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