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Car-Adaptation Protocol Initiative

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Lots of activities have taken place within and around the CAPI Foundation. This CAPI Update gives a short summary of the most important issues. More information can be found at the website: www.capiweb.eu.

Car-adaptations on the EU agenda

Early February 2009 CAPI has established a major "break-through" in the field of vehicle adaptations. The representatives of the EU Member States have endorsed a proposal of the Automotive Unit of DG-Enterprise to explore the possibilities for EU approval regulations for car-adaptations. As you will understand, the CAPI Board will assist whenever possible with information regarding car-adaptation in Europe. The CAPI protocols will be made available for consideration by the EU experts.

Financial overview 2008

The CAPI foundation is officially established at 31-12-2007 and the registration in the Dutch trade register was 03-01-2008.

The registrations for the turnover tax and VAT were firstly realized in August 2008. As an effect the invoices to the EMG members could be send out firstly September 2008.

In total 36 invoices are send out and at the 1st of January 2009 only 19 were paid and 17 invoices were still open.

The costs of the foundation in 2008 where:

Foundation establishment	€ 999,60
Bank costs	€ 35,87
Chamber of Commerce	€ 53,62
Executive Secretariat	€ 9.909,64

Because of the VAT declaration € 832,- was paid back from the authorities.

The Board members are not paid for there costs and time, this is agreed from the beginning of the CAPI project in 2005.

For 2009 we expect to get the payment of all invoices of 2008 and we will send out invoices for 2009.

With this income we are able to keep the Executive Secretariat alive to collect and deal with the outcome of the four Working Groups.

The Secretary also supports the WG's by collecting legal input and practical support where needed. The correspondence of the CAPI Board, including the meeting organisation and reports is also a Secretarial task.

CAPI Financial overview 2008

Balance 01-01-2008	€ 0,-
Balance 01-01-2009:	
<u>Activa</u>	
Cash	€ 0,-
Bank account	€ 4.621,-
VAT Refund	€ 832,-
Open invoices 2008	€ 9.433,-
	€ 14.886,-

<u>Passiva</u>	
Invoice EDCP	€ 6.078,-
Business capital	€ 8.808,-
	€ 14.886,-

Technical director of Motability is advisor of the CAPI Board

We are very happy that Mr. Roger Gough, technical director of Motability, has become permanent advisor of the CAPI Board. For the CAPI Board it is important to have good contact with Motability in the UK. Motability operates an accreditation scheme for car-adaptation companies that supply car-adaptations under the Motability scheme. Motability also developed around fifteen so called "Vehicle Adaptations for Disabled People - Codes of Practice" (VADP CoP). These are a range of codes designed to encourage improvement in the design, installation and use of many of the special adaptations fitted to disabled motorists' vehicles. The CAPI working groups will ofcourse consider the content of the VADP CoP's for the development of the protocols.