Euro NCAP
A history of the future of safety

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In 1997 carmakers said
'The assessment criteria are so severe, no car will ever be able to achieve four stars in Adult Occupant Protection'

06.1994
The idea for a New Car Assessment Programme is born

07.1995
The European Commission supports the initiative

12.1996
Euro NCAP's inaugural meeting takes place

02.1997
Euro NCAP's very first results released

07.1997
Volvo S40 receives four stars for Adult Occupant Protection

01.1999
Euro NCAP moves headquarters to Brussels, Belgium

06.2001
Renault Laguna becomes the first five-star car

11.2001
Euro NCAP introduces seat belt reminder assessment

11.2003
Euro NCAP launches Child Protection Rating

11.2005
Citroen C6 receives first four stars in Pedestrian Protection

07.2007
Euro NCAP releases its first ever Europe-wide ESC fitment survey

02.2008
Euro NCAP begins testing pick-ups

11.2008
Euro NCAP releases results of first rear impact (whiplash) protection tests

02.2009
Euro NCAP launches new Rating Scheme in Brussels, Belgium

In 2009 we say
'We will continue to set benchmarks higher and reward those manufacturers who make safety their ultimate goal'