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## TAO-AFI IN SUPPORT OF CYCLIST WORKING AT THE EU INSTITUTIONS

Thirsty for change? TAO-AFI quenches it



**TAO-AFI**, the trade union of independent officials welcomes "Velo-mai", organised by DG HR. We believe that motivating people to take the bicycle for commuting and daily transport offers a solution to the problems that Brussels is facing. Congestion and pollution are suffocating this city, and this is highly visible in the European quarter.

Promoting the use of the bicycle also anticipates the infrastructure works which the Brussels region has planned: the bicycle lanes along the "petite ceinture" and the (partly) car-free Schuman roundabout.

**TAO-AFI** has been on the forefront with a number of proposals to tackle traffic jams and pollution during rush hours. We plead for:

- a mileage allowance for cyclists,
- a higher reimbursement of public transport costs,



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- reserving Commission parking space for hybrid/electric vehicles,
- and providing infrastructure (chargers) for electric vehicles.

We believe that the upcoming mobility plan of the Commission should have a **broad view** on mobility in the European quarter, taking into account all aspects: means of transport, pollution, working time, location of the buildings and health at work. Therefore, we invite the Commission to involve **all stakeholders** in the development phase of its mobility plan. If the Commission wants to have the views of its staff represented in the discussions, involving the personnel organisations is the best way to achieve this.

**TAO-AFI** intends to launch a questionnaire on the subject soon, in order to convey your opinion to the Commission. Keep an eye on your inbox!

Have a nice and healthy day!

## We are at your disposal!



**Executive committee** 



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Join TAO-AFI to reinforce the staff's action and to be informed on your rights!



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