



## Tradelines 9 November

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A luxury car zone has been created at today's IntroBiz event in the Motorpoint Arena.

Lexus LFA, BMWi8, Mercedes and Maserati are all exhibiting.

The EU executive has asked the British government for details of assurances it gave to Nissan that new investment would not suffer when Britain leaves the bloc, a European Commission spokesman said.

The British government said last month that it have given Nissan assurances that its new investment in plant in Britain would remain competitive after Brexit but said the firm had not been given any explicit promise of compensation for EU tariffs.

German prosecutors confirmed they are investigating Volkswagen AG's supervisory board chairman Hans Dieter Poetsch over suspected market manipulation, in another blow to efforts to contain fallout from the automaker's diesel emissions scandal.

There are concerns he may have failed to disclose activities which would impact on share values and thereby misled the market.

Online used car dealership, Carspring has partnered with the Institute of the Motor Industry to encourage increasing female participation in the automotive sector.

Recent figures show that only 16% of those working in the UK industry are women, Carspring co-founder Maximillian Vollenbroich is determined to help bring about **a change**.

Between 2014 - 2016 1970's Fords are trading for 3.4 times what they were between 1996 -



1999.

However, 1970's Ferraris are trading at 3.2 times the value they were so a Ford would have offered you a higher rate of return than a Ferrari of the same period, according to analysis by [Next Step Heritage](#).

[Diono accessories](#) has launched a new range of child seat liners to keep infants in cars warm this winter.

It includes a rapidly folding bassinet with cover for outside carrying as well.

US investigators are studying systems fitted to some Audi models which might lower results on strict emissions tests, if the steering is not altered for some time.

Meanwhile, Volkswagen now claims EU law was not violated during its emissions tests and this is seen as a way of toughening its defence against future massive claims settlements and penalties.

MINI is delaying an announcement on the next UK investment until possible Brexit tariffs are known.

The cars are made in Oxford, the Netherlands and Austria and the next models could be moved to more favourable sites if penalties are imposed on British-built models.

The head of Renault-Nissan has said they are looking at small petrol-electric hybrids to replace diesel models.

Carlos Ghosn suggested the technology applied in a new Note for Japan could be applied to European markets and other models in future.

Toyota is developing long-range electric vehicles.



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It already makes hybrids and short-range EVs but now wants to create longer range battery cars using advanced systems on the roads in 2020.