

Albania police with electric cars, but no recharging spots

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In a first for Albania, some police will soon be driving electric cars

through the streets.

Interior Minister Saimir Tahiri on Wednesday proudly introduced a small fleet of Volkswagen electric cars to be used by police, "the only one in the [region](#) and one of five in Europe."

He said the cars will not use "a single drop of fuel" and will cost "just a coffee"—120 leks (less than 1 [euro](#)) per 100 kilometers (62 miles).

There's only one catch—there's no recharging spots at Albanian fuel stations or around Albanian cities, so the cars have to head back to the [police stations](#) to be recharged.



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