

PRESS RELEASE

CLEPA STATEMENT ON REACH IMPLEMENTATION

The implementation of the REACH Regulation in the Automotive Industry requires enormous effort from each actor and adaptation of the company's structures and processes. CLEPA and other Associations, representing the OEMs and suppliers, have worked together to produce the Automotive Industry Guidelines (AIG) on REACH to streamline this implementation, as stated in the executive summary and foreword of the said guide.

CLEPA is concerned by the feedback given by its members that some OEMs are putting in place requirements beyond the recommendations of the AIG. Affected Tier 1's often have no other choice than to cascade this requirement to their own suppliers, creating additional burdens and lack of understanding along the whole supply chain.

Although CLEPA fully understands that the AIG is only a recommendation, we nevertheless strongly advocate that all actors, vehicle manufacturers and suppliers, adhere to these recommendations and do not impose extra workload on already busy companies.

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