

Press release

CLEPA underscores importance for a technology-open approach in discussion on EU CO2 standards for HDVs

Brussels, 8 February 2024 – Ahead of further discussion amongst member states in the Coreper on new CO2 emission standards for heavy-duty vehicles (HDVs), CLEPA reinforces its commitment to a technology-open regulation and the deployment of all solutions to reduce CO2 emissions from the freight sector, including renewable fuels.

CLEPA Secretary General, **Benjamin Krieger**, states: “We are committed to technology-open regulation, which is the most effective and efficient way to regulate CO2 emissions from transport. Automotive suppliers encourage steps to align the regulation more closely with these principles, a stance we have consistently upheld over past years, not only for cars vans but also extending to trucks.”

Mr. Krieger goes on to say: “The ability to leverage all technologies, from electrification solutions, including e-trailers, renewable fuels, and hydrogen is crucial for meeting ambitious climate targets and fostering innovation within the automotive industry. We welcome a timely agreement that includes these considerations and progress on already agreed steps for the further development of the regulation for the type-approval of vehicles running exclusively on renewable fuels.”

About CLEPA

CLEPA, the European Association of Automotive Suppliers based in Brussels, represents over 3,000 companies, from multi-nationals to SMEs, supplying state-of-the-art components and innovative technology for safe, smart and sustainable mobility, investing over €30 billion yearly in research and development. Automotive suppliers in Europe directly employ 1.7 million people in the EU.

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