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SUPPORTING EUROPEAN AUTOMOTIVE SECTOR

to meet EU green transition goals in
global competition

EVENT OUTLINE

With the participation of the European Commissioner for Sustainable Transport and Tourism Apostolos Tzitzikostas.

This event will discuss the challenges facing European carmakers and how we can turn these challenges into opportunities to ensure the industry's global competitiveness and achieve the EU's current green transition goals. The sale of electric vehicles is rising globally and in the EU, in spite of recent fluctuations, and this trend is set to continue on a path to zero-emission mobility. However, other countries risk overtaking EU leadership in the automotive industry. Without action much of the value in EV manufacturing is shifting to China. In order to ensure a successful transition to automotive electrification and ensure EU technological leadership, it is important to create a broad strategy that promotes competitiveness, European autonomy, and affordability for consumers.

Stakeholders will share their perspectives to help shape future proposals.

PROGRAMME

14:00 - 14:05 **Welcome & introductory remarks:**

Valerie Hayer, President of the Renew Group

14:05 - 14:15 **Opening remarks**

A. Tzitzikostas, European Commissioner for Sustainable Transport and Tourism

14:15 - 14:35 **Panel 1**

INNOVATION AND RAW MATERIALS: WHAT ARE THE KEY LEVERS FOR COUNTERING SUPPLY CHAIN DEPENDENCY AND ENSURING SUSTAINABLE RAW MATERIALS?

MODERATOR:

Yvan Verougstraete, Renew Europe MEP

SPEAKERS:

- Massimo Gasparon, Director of the European Raw Materials Alliance
- Catherine Ricou, Managing Director of Veolia's hazardous waste activities in Europe
- Manuel Michel, Head of Battery Recycling, Mercedes-Benz Group AG Plant Kuppenheim
- Prof. Dr. Peter Tom Jones, Director of SIM² KU Leuven Institute for Sustainable Metals and Minerals

14:45 - 15:05 **Q&A**

15:05 - 15:35 **Panel 2**

AN INDUSTRIAL POLICY FOR EU LEADERSHIP IN CLEAN VEHICLES

MODERATOR:

Pascal Canfin, Renew Europe MEP

SPEAKERS:

- Judith Kirton-Darling, General Secretary IndustriAll
- Julia Poliscanova, Senior Director, Vehicles & E-mobility Supply Chains
- Li Jincheng, Executive Vice-President Strategy, Forvia
- Florence Melin, Head of Communications and Public Affairs, Verkor
- Jean-Philippe Hermine, Director at Institut Mobilités en Transition

15:35 - 15:55 **Q&A**

15:55 - 16:25 **Panel 3**

AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE CARBON NEUTRAL MOBILITY FOR EVERYONE? THE RIGHT ENABLING POLICIES TO SUPPORT THE UPTAKE OF CLEAN VEHICLES

MODERATOR:

Jan-Christoph Oetjen, Renew Europe MEP

SPEAKERS:

- Sigrid de Vries, Director General ACEA
- Lucie Mattera, Secretary General of ChargeUp Europe
- Hans-Jürgen Hitz, Commercial Vehicles-Engineering Environmental Consulting and Regulations at Bosch:
- Agustín Reyna, Director General BEUC

16:25 - 16:45 **Q&A**

16:45 - 17:00 **Concluding remarks**

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