



Cross-industry partnership to create the first standard methodology for automotive supply chain emissions calculation and reporting

- ECG, VDA and other OEMs will develop the first methodology to calculate and report on automotive supply chain emissions
- The methodology will be based on the upcoming ISO 14083 standard
- It will be published in Q3 2023

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ECG - The Association of European Vehicle Logistics, VDA – the German Association of the Automotive Industry and original equipment manufacturers agree to co-operate in a cross-industry project on emissions. The objective is to create a standard methodology for calculating and reporting on automotive supply chain emissions to publish in Q3 2023.

The standard methodology will harmonise existing greenhouse gas (GHG) accounting methods and fill in the gaps in the automotive sector. It will be based on the upcoming ISO 14083 on quantification and reporting of GHG emissions arising from transport chain operations and will be applicable by companies at global level.

The project is bringing together players in the automotive industry such as logistics service providers (LSPs), other OEMs and parts suppliers. External support to the project will be provided by the International Transfer Center for Logistics (ITCL).

Wolfgang Göbel, ECG President highlighted: “Standardisation is key to allow fair and equitable comparisons on emissions among and between modes of transport. The use of the standard methodology will allow the industry to invest in decarbonisation of freight transport activities.”

Dr. Marcus Bollig, VDA Managing Director Products & Value Creation: “The development of a standard methodology for calculating and reporting emissions in the automotive supply chain is an important step towards achieving the climate targets. We are pleased to be able to make a decisive contribution to this process.”

Note to editors:

ECG is the established European platform for the outbound automotive logistics sector bringing together logistics service providers, manufacturer logistics managers and suppliers to the sector. ECG aims to facilitate non-commercial collaboration between member companies and assist them in sharing best practices in many operational areas, especially the harmonisation of operational standards.

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About ECG

ECG, the Association of European Vehicle Logistics, has been the voice of the Finished Vehicle Logistics industry in Europe since 1997. ECG represents the interests of more than 140 member companies and partners, from family owned SMEs to multi-nationals, and is the major champion of the European vehicle logistics sector. ECG represents all transport modes at EU level – road, rail, maritime and fluvial. ECG members provide transport, distribution, storage, preparation and post-production services to manufacturers, importers, car rental companies and vehicle leasing operators in the 27 Member States of the European Union as well as Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom and beyond. They own or operate more than

360 car-carrying ships, 15,100 purpose-built railway wagons, 22 river barges and around 23,000 road transporters.

As a major employer, the finished vehicle logistics sector plays an important role in contributing to the economic success of the European Union. Today, ECG members have an aggregate turnover of €21.3bn and their economic impact on companies associated with the sector is estimated at €56bn. **More than 93,000 Europeans are employed directly by our members and an additional 224,000 are indirectly employed in the sector.**

About VDA

The German Association of the Automotive Industry (VDA) consolidates about 650 manufacturers and suppliers under one roof. The members develop and produce cars and trucks, software, trailers, superstructures, buses, parts and accessories as well as new mobility offers. We represent the interests of the automotive industry and stand for modern, future-oriented multimodal mobility on the way to climate neutrality. The VDA represents the interests of its members in politics, the media, and social groups. We work for electric mobility, climate-neutral drives, the implementation of climate targets, securing raw materials, digitization and networking as well as German engineering. We are committed to a competitive business and innovation location. Our industry ensures prosperity in Germany: **More than 780,000 people are directly employed in the German automotive industry.** The VDA is the organizer of the largest international mobility platform IAA MOBILITY and of IAA TRANSPORTATION, the world's most important platform for the future of the commercial vehicle industry.

