

Working Groups

Monthly Roundup

February 2025

Digitalisation & ECG Tech Board

No further update since the last month's report.

Health & Safety

On **25 February** ECG hold a webinar to launch the Health & Safety Working Group (H&S WG) - Safe Retailers activity.

The H&S WG relaunched its 'Safe Retailer' sub group to address the issues at retailer delivery and continue to work towards improving safety standards for all drivers. During the webinar ECG presented a retailer escalation process that is available for all ECG members in case they are not able to resolve a safety issue by themselves. Next to the process, a legal expert in transport law draft some proposed clauses that ECG strongly recommends should be included in all vehicle transport contracts.

More information can be found on our [website](#).

Since 2019 the H&S WG has worked continuously on improving drivers safety and ensuring a safe working environment in finished vehicle logistics for all.

For more information, or to join the group, contact [Jovana Vancevska](#).

Maritime & Ports

The next meeting will take place in June in Esbjerg, Denmark. More information will be available closer to the meeting.

For more information about this group contact [Jovana Vancevska](#).

Quality

The next meeting of the Quality Working group will be held in June – further information and the confirmed date and venue will be communicated as soon as possible.

The Quality group will work on more detailed guidelines for loading and handling of all types of vehicle units with damages or safety warnings, aimed at improving safety and boosting confidence in the sector. It was also suggested at the last meeting to discuss about the challenges related to loading and handling BEV units in maritime terminals. If interested in either of these initiatives, please let us know.

In case you need any further information on the Quality Group and its activities please contact [Szilvi Kiss](#).

Rail

The Rail Working Group's first meeting will be convened on 14 March with the participation of members and partners of ECG. If interested in joining this group or if you have any questions please contact [Szilvi Kiss](#).

Sustainability

No further update since the last month's report.

Regional Meetings

UK & Ireland

The next meeting of this regional group will be in Solihull on 13th March. Registrations are now open.

The other 2025 meetings will both be held in London. The mid-year one is planned for 30th June in conjunction with an ECG board meeting which will allow members of both to come together for a joint dinner on Monday evening.

The end of year meeting will follow the usual format and be held in London on Thursday 13th November in the afternoon and be followed by a dinner for those who wish to stay on.

For more information, or to join the group, please contact [Mike Sturgeon](#).

Eastern Region

The next Eastern Regional Meeting will take place in Kaunas, LT on 10 April, kindly sponsored by ECG member Hegelmann Transporte. This meeting is open to ECG members and partners who are operating in Eastern Europe. [Registrations](#) for the meeting are now open.

The agenda for the meeting includes market update and discussion on the market situation in this part of Europe, presentation on eCMR and regular update on ECG activities.

More information is available on our [website](#).

If you wish to know more about this regional group, please contact [Jovana Vancevska](#).

EU Affairs

ECG's annual Debate in the European Parliament will take place on **Tuesday, 18 March 2025** hosted by MEP Alexandr Vondra, a member of the ECR Group and the Committee on the Environment, Climate, and Food Safety in the European Parliament. The event is currently fully booked. If you still wish to attend we can include you in the waiting list. To do so please contact info@ecgassociation.eu.

FVL Legal Network

No further update since the last month's report.

If you wish to know more about this network please contact [Jovana Vancevska](#).

Women in FVL Network

The next meeting of the Women in FVL Network will be on 22 May 2025 (11:00 – 13:00), Cascais, Portugal ahead of the [ECG General Assembly and Spring Congress](#). Registrations will open soon.

For more information, please contact [Andreea Serbu](#).

ECG Quarterly Survey

The latest results for Q4 2024 were published in February and they are available for all ECG members on the [website](#). Next Quarterly Survey will be launched in April.