

April 2025

Digitalisation & ECG Tech Board

The ECG Tech Board will organise an Al Day in Aachen on 8 July, exploring the impact and potential of Artificial Intelligence in Finished Vehicle Logistics. This will be the first event of its kind within our network, offering a unique platform to explore the state of play and potential future applications of Al in Finished Vehicle Logistics. Registrations will open soon.

For any questions on <u>Digitalisation</u> and <u>Tech Board</u>, please contact <u>Szilvi Kiss</u>.

Health & Safety

The latest annual incident report for 2024 was published on 30 April and the main findings were presented during the webinar. The report contains an overview of the most common incidents that are happening during loading/unloading operations on car transporters, a breakdown of high risk incidents (Slips&Trips, Roll-offs, Falls from height, Drive-offs, Collisions, Transport incidents and delivery at retailers) and key recommendations for the industry.

Read a short report from our webinar in our latest **ECG** News article.

We would like to kindly remind you to keep reporting on your incidents for 2025 and help us to improve drivers' safety. Our Online Incident Reporting website is available here.

For more information, or to join the group, contact <u>Jovana Vancevska</u>.

Maritime & Ports

The next meeting will take place on 17-18 June in Esbjerg, Denmark. Registrations for this meeting are now open and all ECG members and partners active in the maritime sector can register now on the <u>website</u>.

For more information about this group contact <u>Jovana Vancevska</u>.

Quality

ECG has kicked off a sub-group with the shipping lines to discuss about the challenges, observations and any new developments related to loading, storing and unloading Battery Electric Vehicles in maritime transport. The results of the work will be shared in due course.

The next meeting of the Quality Working Group will be held on 11 June in Brussels. <u>Registrations</u> <u>are open</u> to the group members. If you are interested in attending and not yet a member of the Quality Group please let Szilvi Kiss know.

In case you need any information on the <u>Quality Group</u> and its activities please contact <u>Szilvi</u> <u>Kiss</u>.

Rail

The Rail Working Group's activities are done in various Work Packages (WP) out of which WP 1 is active currently. This examines the infrastructure bottlenecks in ports and inland terminals. Further WPs will start later to look into infrastructure bottlenecks at OEM factories, as well as into industry collaboration and digitalisation in Rail.

If interested in joining the Rail Initiative or if you have any questions please contact Szilvi Kiss.

Sustainability

The second phase of the project aimed at the revision and improvement of the ECG-VDA guideline on Emissions calculation and reporting guideline for automotive supply chains is coming to an end. In April, the main pilots results and working groups have wrapped up their activities. This will include results from the pilots and two additional chapters on carbon insettind and emissions calculations from hubs and compounds. ECG will publish the updated version of the guideline in May 2025.

For more information about the Sustainability working group, please contact Andreea Serbu.

Regional Meetings

UK & Ireland

The latest meeting of this regional group was held in Solihull on 13th March.

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 the 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 latest Eastern Regional Meeting took place in Kaunas, LT on 10 April, kindly sponsored by ECG member Hegelmann Transporte and ECG Partner Rimo.

More than 100 participants joined first meeting of the year to discuss the latest developments within the finished vehicle logistics sector and the market situation in this part of Europe. Main issues addressed during the meeting were the VDI Guideline 2700, eCMR and the EU legislation impacting road transport. After the meeting participants had the opportunity to network in an informal environment during the social dinner.

The next meeting will take place in Prague, Czech Republic on 11 September 2025. More information will be available closer to the meeting.

More information is available on our website.

If you wish to know more about this regional group, please contact <u>Jovana Vancevska</u>.

EU Affairs

No further update since the last month's report.

FVL Legal Network

No further update since the last month's report.

If you wish to know more about this network please contact <u>Jovana Vancevska</u>.

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 <u>ECG General Assembly & Spring Congress</u>. Women attending the event are invited to join the meeting. Registrations are now <u>open</u>.

For more information, please contact Andreea Serbu.

ECG Quarterly Survey

The latest Q1 2025 results are available on our <u>website</u>. We are currently revising the Survey and additional questions per modes of transport will be introduced in Q2 2025.