

# June 2025

## Digitalisation & ECG Tech Board

The EU plans to put in place the standardised digitalisation of the invoices for all B2B invoicing by 2030 as an integral part of the VAT in the Digital Age (ViDA) legislation. The European B2B einvoicing standard (EN 16931) is currently being developed by CEN in their TC434 Working Groups.

Our partner association, Odette International is registered as an official CEN liaison organisation and is participating in several CEN TC434 Working Groups, to ensure that automotive requirements are covered in the EN 16931 standard. If you would be interested in working on the automotive outbound extensions for this invoice model, please let Szilvi Kiss know. We would need both invoicing and IT experts to match all processes.

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

## Health & Safety

No further update since the last month's report.

We would like to kindly remind all truck operators to keep reporting on 2025 incidents and help us to improve drivers' safety. Our Online Incident Reporting website is available <u>here</u>.

Our latest report on 2024 incidents is published on our website.

Members also have an opportunity to use our retailer escalation process when they encounter issues at the retailers. More details are available <u>here</u>.

For more information, or to join the group, contact Jovana Vancevska.

### Maritime & Ports

The latest meeting was held on 17–18 June in Esbjerg, Denmark, with 40 participants joining the programme. Key topics of discussion included the handling of BEVs on vessels, the newly adopted IMO fuel standard, and the inbound release platform.

More information are available in our ECG News article.

The next meeting will be on 3-4 September in Hanko, Finland. Registrations will open soon and all practical details will be published on our website.

For more information about this group contact Jovana Vancevska.

### <u>Quality</u>

The last Quality Working Group meeting was held on 11 June in Brussels. Participants discussed a variety of topics, with key themes including compound management, maritime transport of

Battery Electric vehicles, road transport and feedback from ECG events. A full write-up of the meeting can be found <u>in ECG News</u>.

The next meeting will be held in November. More details will be disclosed soon.

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

## <u>Rail</u>

The Rail Initiative is involving various actors of the FVL ecosystem:

- 1. One stream involves ECG members and partners: there currently the details of the rail tracks on automotive compounds are collected which will be published as a 'rail catalogue', aiming for more transparency and better planning in the FVL industry.
- 2. The other stream is with the OEMs: further operational efficiency gains will be sought together with them in the near future.

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

### **Sustainability**

No further update since the last month's report.

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 London on 30<sup>th</sup> June where it was scheduled to co-incide with a meeting of the ECG board. This allowed those who wished to join a dinner with the board in the evening.

The meeting was attended by 18 people and included, as guest speakers, Ben Waller of ICDP and Namrita Chow, ECG's Business Analyst.

The end of year meeting will follow the usual format and be held in London on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> 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

No further update since the last month's report.

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

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

### **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 Jovana Vancevska.

## Women in FVL Network

No further update since the last month's report. For more information, please contact <u>Andreea Serbu</u>.

## ECG Quarterly Survey

The latest Q1 2025 results are available on our <u>website</u>. The Survey for Q2 2025 is now ongoing and will be closed at the end of July.