

## *The paths to decarbonized and sustainable transport*

**Discussing ENVI position on the European Commission proposal strengthening the CO2 standards for heavy-duty vehicles.**

This meeting under the Chatham House Rule

\*\*\*Agenda\*\*\*

**Date:** 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**Time:** 15:00 - 17:00

**Location:** Hybrid; ERCST, Rue Archimède 61, 1000 Bruxelles

On 26 April, the European Parliament's ENVI Committee met to exchange views on the Commission proposal strengthening the CO2 standards for new heavy-duty vehicles (HDVs). Mr Jadot, ENVI rapporteur, is scheduled to present its draft report on 26-27 June.

This event, which is a part of the ERCST's Paths to Decarbonized and Sustainable Transport Programme, serves as an opportunity to discuss the position of the Parliament's ENVI committee on the proposal, through the lens developed under the Report 1, before other Members of the European Parliament propose amendments on the 4th of July.

The Commission's target of achieving a 90% reduction in emissions by 2040 will be discussed, with differing perspectives emerging. Some argue that this target lacks ambition and should be revised to accomplish a 100% reduction by 2035, while others believe that the current target is already overly ambitious. Furthermore, there are calls for greater technological neutrality and a more rational approach that takes into account the socioeconomic impact of the transition to a low-carbon transport sector.

The ERCST project strongly supports the EU's ambition to transition to a net zero energy system and heavy-duty vehicle sector by 2050. Zero emission vehicles are seen as the main technology destination to support this ambition. The project's aim is to consider the proposed legislative pathways from today to reach this ambition. It seeks to assess the robustness of the current policies, the impacts on stakeholders, the economic, environmental, and social consequences of the policy and to explore alternative or additional pathways to efficiently reach the target.

**15:00 Welcome and introduction**

- A. Marcu, Executive Director, ERCST

**15:05 ERCST presentation**

- D. Newman, ERCST

**15:20 Roundtable discussion moderated by A. Marcu**

- T. Fabian, ACEA
- M. Guennewig, MAN
- S. Defour, T&E
- R. de Filippo, ENI

**16:55 Concluding remarks**