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CLEPA: Climate neutral transport and CO2 emission standards

The European Association of Automotive Suppliers (CLEPA) has published a position paper regarding climate neutral transport and CO2 emission standards. This paper is a contribution by the automotive suppliers' industry in Europe to the debate on achieving climate neutrality by 2050. In the document CLEPA calls on the European Commission to engage on promoting technology pathways to climate neutrality that allow the successful transformation of the value chain and thus create a win-win for climate and society: <https://clepa.eu/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/CO2-emission-standards-V3.pdf>

Building a Climate-Resilient Future - A new EU Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change

The European Commission recently adopted a new EU Strategy on Adaptation to Climate Change, setting out the pathway to prepare for the impacts of climate change. Building on the 2013 Climate Change Adaptation Strategy, the aim of this latest proposal is to shift the focus from understanding the problem to developing solutions, and to move from planning to implementation. The proposal commits the EU and Member States to make continuous progress to boost adaptive capacity, strengthen resilience and reduce vulnerability to climate change. The new adaptation strategy will help make this progress a reality: https://ec.europa.eu/clima/sites/clima/files/adaptation/what/docs/eu_strategy_2021.pdf

Roadworthiness package: Transport MEPs suggest ways to update it

The draft resolution on the road safety aspects of the Roadworthiness Package, adopted recently by the Transport and Tourism Committee, acknowledges that the implementation of the EU rules has helped to improve the quality of the periodic technical inspections, thus contributing to road safety. MEPs also call on the EU countries to make the exchange of information on roadworthiness testing and odometer readings easier, stressing the development of a new Vehicle Information Platform could expedite information sharing. In addition, EU citizens should be better protected from fraud and have full information on the history of their cars, therefore Transport MEPs want information on accidents and the frequency of significant malfunctions to be also shared amongst the EU countries: <https://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/press-room/20210219IPR98227/roadworthiness-package-transport-meps-suggest-ways-to-update-it>