

Fuel price Ad-hoc Group

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Agenda

- Competition law compliance reminder
- Review of fuel price mitigation tracker
- EU level: fuel crisis debate
- Next steps?



1. Competition and compliance rules



DO'S:

- Ensure business contacts with competitors have a legitimate purpose and are supervised by the FCE Secretariat.
- If discussions go off-topic or are anti-competitive: change the subject, leave, and report the incident.
- Review agendas, follow them, and keep approved meeting minutes.
- Keep social interactions with competitors non-business related.
- Discuss general industry issues, publicly available info, and non-sensitive topics.

DON'TS:

- Do not discuss sensitive commercial strategies with competitors (pricing, marketing, target markets, etc.).
- Avoid sharing forward-looking, recent, or competitive data without FCE Secretariat's prior written consent.
- Do not use FCE premises for unofficial business activities outside of the official program.
- Do not engage in exclusionary practices or collective boycotts.

2. Review of fuel price mitigation tracker



Document guidelines and taxonomy

- Include only officially adopted or formally announced measures
- Categories:
 - **Reduction in fuel taxes** (VAT rebates, excise duty cuts, etc.)
 - **Price controls** (caps, regulatory limits)
 - **Targeted support to users** (sector subsidies, consumer relief)
 - **Regulatory and market oversight** (antitrust, monitoring)
 - **Strategic supply management**

Key discussion area

- Relevance?
- Structure?
- Usefulness?
- Gap identification?

3. EU level: fuel crisis debate



EU Institutions

- **European Commission:**
 - Pushing for reduced fuel consumption (energy-saving behaviour, remote work) and accelerated green transitions.
 - Developing a temporary "toolbox" (state aid flexibility, tax cuts, decoupling of gas prices from electricity prices).
- **Council/Energy Ministers:**
 - Unanimously agreed that coordinated action is needed to protect households and businesses.
 - Concluded the meeting without adopting any concrete, actionable measures.
- Austria, Germany, Italy, Portugal, and Spain call for a windfall tax on energy companies, echoing 2022 “solidarity contribution”.

3. EU level: fuel crisis debate



Mobility/Fuel stakeholders

- **Fuels Europe:**
 - Joint letter to the Council on energy policy with 12 other stakeholders.
 - Calls for shielding industries from rising costs associated with the energy transition, mobilising EU funding towards electrification, promoting all renewable and low-carbon energy resources.
- **IRU:**
 - Letter to the Commission asking for member states to coordinate release of oil from their reserves, reduction and or derogation fuels taxation and state aid of up to 600.000€ for transport companies.
 - Letter to the Council calling for the above plus developing a contingency plan to address possible fuel shortages, tackling "tank tourism," and ensuring supplies can resist panic-driven consumption spikes.

4. Next steps?



- **FCE positioning in 2022:** recommendations with a targeted focus on excise duty reductions



- Do we want to establish a regular tracker for these measures? Regular catch-up meeting?
- Do we want to advocate for a targeted excise duty approach and actively push back against price back?
- How can we best position ourselves knowing that national governments and mineral oil companies hold the primary decision-making power?
- Have you identified any reputational risk for the Fleet Card industry?
- Any other questions of concerns?