

# Fuel price Ad-hoc Group

## 14 April 2026

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### Agenda

- Competition law compliance reminder
- 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



**Accessible and editable document** → [FCE Fuel price measures ongoing tracker.xlsx](#)

### **Countries voluntarily assigned:**

- France – Edenred
- Italy- Edenred
- Spain – Eurowag

### **Information exchange**

Please use the **chat thread from today's meeting** to share information. This is a recurring meeting, and the same chat thread will be maintained over time.

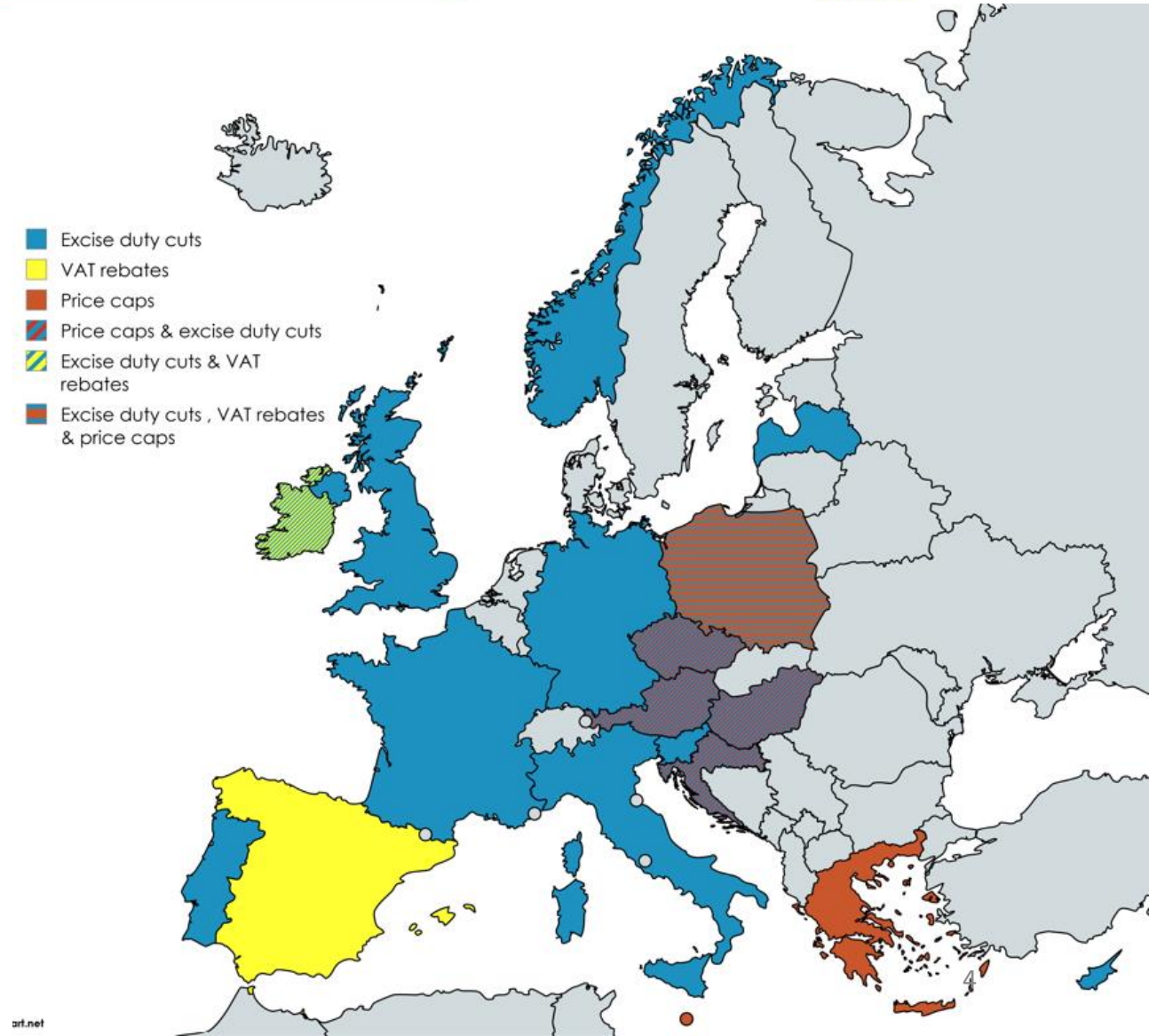
# 2. Review of fuel price mitigation tracker

## Main trends (as of 13 April 2026)

- 20 countries adopted  $\geq 1$  measure to address rising fuel prices.
- New measures: Czech Republic, France, Germany, Ireland & Spain.
- Under consideration: Belgium, Lithuania, Netherlands & Sweden
- **Targeted support**
  - 7 MS: Croatia, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Portugal, Romania.
  - Focused heavily on road transport/logistics, agriculture, and to a lesser extent, fishing.

## EU law concerns

- Discriminatory measures (foreign vs. residents): **Hungary & Slovakia.**
- VAT below EU minimum (15%): **Poland & Spain.**



# 3. EU level: fuel crisis debate



## European Commission:

- Temporary “toolbox” to address energy prices, including (22 April):
  - State aid flexibility
  - Temporary reduction of energy taxes and power grid charges
  - Plans for gas storage filling
  - Possible decoupling of gas and electricity prices
  - Demand reduction measures (building renovations, industrial equipment renewal)
- Windfall tax on energy companies unlikely to be recommended as an EU-wide tool (guidelines)
- Others upcoming initiatives
  - Legislative proposal (May): electricity taxes & grid charges
  - EU-wide electrification target (before summer) to reduce fossil fuel dependence

## 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?