

# Sustainability WG Meeting Minutes

19 June 2025



## Minutes and Actions

### Meeting of the Fleet Cards Europe Sustainability Working Group

19 June 2025, 14:00 (CEST)

<b>Location</b>	Online	
<b>Chair</b>	Matthias Maedge – Eurowag	
<b>Attendance</b>	Marcel Brouwer - MultitankCard Danny Fawcett - Radius Pauline Gain – Edenred Vahti Higgins - Cardtrend Tomáš Janura – MOL / Slovnaft Vicky Lloyd – WEX Michael Mc Dermott – Radius Jenny Pidgeon – Eurowag	Secretariat : Aurélie Decker Peigneur, FCE
<b>Apologies</b>	Delphine Chilese-Lemarinier – Edenred Alexander Zandbergen - TFC	
<b>Content</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Competition compliance reminder</li><li>2. Decarbonise Corporate Fleets</li><li>3. Driving decarbonization in commercial road transport</li><li>4. Key updates EU initiatives</li><li>5. AOB</li></ol>	

#### 1) Competition compliance reminder

FCE Secretary General reminded all participants to comply with competition law and circulated the Do's and Don'ts.

#### 2) Decarbonise Corporate Fleets

- The Secretary General informed members on the latest news about the upcoming European Commission's proposal on decarbonising corporate fleets. The European Commission is expected to fast-track the proposal, and therefore will conduct only a limited impact assessment. The originally planned market study has been cancelled, indicating a shift in approach.

- It appears that the Commission has already formed a position in favor of introducing mandatory electric vehicle (EV) purchase mandates. A legislative proposal is anticipated for the fall. Additionally, the European Commission's High-Level Dialogue with stakeholders is tentatively scheduled to take place on 17 July.

### 3) Driving decarbonisation in commercial road transport

- The Secretary General presented a draft position paper entitled “*Driving Decarbonisation in Commercial Road Transport: FCE Views on a Pragmatic, Scalable, Inclusive, and Comprehensive Approach.*” This paper is intended to serve as FCE’s flagship publication for 2025, aimed at enhancing the organisation’s visibility and positioning FCE as a key stakeholder in the decarbonisation of road transport.
- Members were invited to provide written feedback by the end of next week. In the meantime, it was agreed that the document should adopt a stronger, more assertive message, emphasising the absence of a holistic approach at EU level and noting that the current EU policy framework is no longer fit for purpose in achieving zero-emissions targets. Participants agreed that the paper should be further developed to include concrete case studies, data, and market-readiness indicators from a limited number of Member States. This should also highlight discrepancies in the implementation of the EU acquis. Additionally, an infographic should be incorporated to illustrate the interdependence and, at times, contradiction among various EU policies. Members committed to contributing the necessary content to support these additions. Some participants also noted that, despite the stronger tone, the overall messaging should remain constructive and solutions-oriented.
- The paper is to be finalised by the end of July at the latest in order to allow for its timely dissemination in September. Several promotional initiatives were discussed, including the creation of a dedicated visual identity, infographics, participation in external events, and the organisation of an FCE-hosted event in the autumn involving Members of the European Parliament and representatives from the European Commission. It was noted that detailed planning for these initiatives will only be possible once the position paper is nearing completion.
- The Secretariat will also use the flagship paper as the basis for shorter position papers tailored to specific policy debates, such as the forthcoming legislative proposal on the decarbonisation of corporate fleets.
- Members are expected to agree on both the outreach strategy and the final version of the position paper at the next meeting.

#### Action

Working Group members are invited to submit written comments on the draft position paper by **end of business on 27 June**, and to inform the Secretariat of their availability to contribute to the collection of case studies and market-readiness indicators.

The Secretariat will revise the position paper accordingly and circulate an updated version to members as soon as possible. In parallel, it will prepare a draft outreach strategy for the

flagship initiative, integrating relevant **public affairs actions** aligned with ongoing policy discussions.

#### 4) Key updates EU initiatives

- The Secretary General provided an overview of recent developments concerning several key EU initiatives, including the assessment of National Energy and Climate Plans (NECPs), the revision of the Energy Taxation Directive, the 2040 climate targets under the EU Climate Law, and the European Clean Transport Initiative. Further details are available in the slide deck circulated with the meeting materials.
- Additionally, the Secretary General shared the main findings of a report published by the European Commission on 27 May, assessing the technological and market readiness of heavy-duty road transport vehicles.

#### 5) AOB

- The Secretary General will represent FCE at an in-person meeting of the Network for Sustainable Mobility on 20 June, where participants will discuss accounting methodologies for renewable and low-carbon fuels (RLCF) under CO<sub>2</sub> standards, together with representatives from the German Association of the Automotive Industry (VDA). She will report back to members in due course.
- The next WG meeting is scheduled to take place online on 24 July at 14.00 CEST.