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TIME TO SET THE COURSE

Dear Members and supporters,

2025 is shaping up to be a pivotal year for EGEA and our members. The European Commission is finalizing amendments to Annex X of the 858/2018 Type-Approval Regulation on access to in-vehicle data. The draft delegated regulation is expected in June, with the full legislative process likely concluding by year's end.

Meanwhile, the long-awaited revision of the Roadworthiness Package has been launched. The proposal introduces more robust inspections, including tailored periodic technical inspections (PTI) for motorcycles, electric vehicles and advanced driver-assistance systems, annual inspections for older cars and vans, and improved emission testing to identify high-emitting vehicles and reduce fine particle pollution. It also proposes digital vehicle registration and PTI certificates, plus new measures to combat odometer fraud.

Public consultation is now open, with feedback due by 21 July. EGEA will actively contribute with a formal position paper.

We encourage all members to stay informed and engaged - your expertise is essential as we navigate these significant regulatory developments.

Yours sincerely

Leon Andriessen



TYPE APPROVAL REGULATION - READY FOR TAKE-OFF?

If we trust the responsible people of the EU commission the Delegated Act is in its final phase. What will we get? Cybersecurity measures including access restrictions via the OBD port will be allowed after the delegated act goes live however more transparent with upfront instructions so EGEA members are able to prepare their tools to be ready when new vehicles are launched. For registration and authentication two options will be offered - via the multibrand tool manufacturer who also will take the responsibility for traceability or via a trust center process frequently named "SERMI light". Tokens or certificates will be provided free of charge, everything else such as diagnostic data, RMI or Cybersecurity integration requires B2B agreements with VMs. Following the path to more SW defined and automated vehicles with increasing number of smart components every repair will be possible using multibrand tools including tasks which re-

quire today pass-thru. Therefore authentication will be staged in the future starting with a level 0 without restrictions allowing only a few reading commands plus, what is discussed right now, emission related data of the upcoming new PTI EURO 7 regulation. Tool and operator authentication starts with level 1 covering all other reading, then level 2 all standard writing. Levels 3a and 3b cover permanent changes of vehicle functionality, e.g. trailer hitch or SW added ADAS systems, requiring employee authentication, deeper tool integration and traceability. In parallel new technical trends such as Ethernet port, advanced driver assistance and electromobility are updated in type approval.

OPEN QUESTIONS

Still open are the transition time till VMs are prepared to fulfill the new requirements and what happens with the huge car park which is now in the field in the context of the ECJ judgement.



Dr. Harald Neumann,
Technical Director
of EGEA



AT A GLANCE: NORWEGIAN ASSOCIATION ABL

ABL- Autobransjens Leverandørforening is the association of the Norwegian automotive industry. In two sections, it represents the interests of member companies that produce products, services for the parts and accessories sector, as well as importers of machines, equipment and diagnostic systems for the automotive industry and related sectors such as workshops for construction and agricultural machinery. These member companies represent the Workshop Equipment Section of the ABL. Member companies of the Parts and Accessories Section are large parts manufacturers that produce for both the automotive industry and the independent repair market. Suppliers include suppliers of equipment and accessories, car care products, chemicals and paints. Member companies also include local wholesalers, independent garages, car importers, brand dealers, petrol stations and accessory shops. At European level, ABL member companies are organized in the associations FIGIEFA (Automotive Aftermarket Distributors) and EGEA (European Garage Equipment Association).

Free and fair competition in the repair and service market, as well as quality, innovation and information in the areas of technology, legislation and international standardization are key objectives of the

association's work. For example, the Workshop Equipment Section organizes a comprehensive competence program for member companies in the areas of health, safety and the environment. In addition, approval courses for the use of lifting platforms, roller brake testers, the operation of emptying and filling stations and working with tire equipment and air conditioning systems.

ABL represents the entire automotive industry in a number of national and international forums and organises the country's largest automotive trade fair every three years in cooperation with Norges Varemesse. The association ABL - Autobransjens Leverandørforening based in Oslo, is headed by President Tor Even Bustnes; the Secretary General is Arild Hansen.

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EGEA WELCOMES THE COMMISSIONS DRAFT PTI

The EGEA expressly welcomes the proposals presented by the EU Commission in its draft for the further development of periodic technical inspections (PTI) of motor vehicles as part of the Roadworthiness Initiative. "In an effort to achieve greater safety on our roads, improved air pollution control and a higher quality of roadworthiness testing, the Commission has put forward pioneering proposals," praises EGEA President Leon Andriessen. The EGEA's suggestions for the further development of the PTI have obviously also been taken on board: The core concerns of the European workshop equipment suppliers include general tailpipe testing for exhaust gas monitoring, the introduction of a NOx measurement, as well as the extension of

particle measurement to compression-ignition engines of emission class Euro 5b.

DRIVEN BY TECHNOLOGY

From the perspective of European workshop equipment suppliers, there is also a need for modernization with regard to statutory brake tests, chassis tests/shock absorber effectiveness tests and headlight adjustments. Current technical developments in particular, such as new lighting systems and the rapid increase in automatic assistance systems in modern vehicles, have increased the pressure on politicians to adapt technical monitoring in recent years. In the view of the EGEA, this also includes increasingly automated vehicle-related data collection, collation and

archiving inspection-relevant information as proof of quality (see box "Workshop-Net"; p. 3 in this issue). „The advancing digitalization and networking of modern vehicles provides a wide range of data and test results that can be automatically collected and archived in a tamper-proof manner during periodic technical inspections via standardized communication channels. This promotes the validity and quality of technical inspections throughout Europe and offers the possibility of quickly analyzing inspection processes digitally and readjusting them if necessary," says EGEA President Andriessen. In recent years, the EGEA has established itself as a voice to be taken seriously in European lobbying in Brussels thanks to its fact-based technical expertise. As recently as the beginning of March, an EGEA delegation was a guest at a high-level event in the European Parliament entitled „Independent automotive sector: a path to sustainable and affordable mobility". The meeting, organized by the European Garage Equipment Association (EGEA), was hosted by Kosma Złotowski, Member of the European Parliament from Poland.

DISCUSSION AT EYE LEVEL

Together with political decision-makers, industry stakeholders and technical experts discussed the urgent challenges facing the independent automotive aftermarket.

The EGEA delegation took part in a hearing in the EU parliament



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WORKING GROUP 10 – STILL ALIVE

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On March 24, 2025, EGEA officially reactivated Working Group 10 (WG10) during a Telco meeting, aiming to renew its strategic focus and leadership. The reactivation comes after a period of inactivity and responds to the growing need for standardized communication systems across the automotive service industry. The meeting opened with the election of Frank Beaujean (FB) from ASA-Verband Germany, EGEA Board Member, as the new Chairman of WG10. Elected unanimously. Beaujean emphasized his commitment to reviving the group's mission. No candidates were nominated for the Deputy Chairman role.

COMMUNICATION STANDARD

The central topic of the session was the "Workshop-Net" initiative—a proposed European communication standard that supports efficient and interoperable operations among vehicle service equipment. Frank Beaujean elaborated on the technical and organizational structure of Workshop-Net, including how it allows all EGEA members to become shareholders and contribute equally to standard development through a unified voting system. The group discussed its renewed mission: providing voluntary, non-binding solutions for evolving technological standards, supporting after-sales services, and engaging with lawmakers. To reflect this new direction, WG10 was unanimously renamed "Workshop-Net."

A LOOK INTO THE FUTURE

Frank Beaujean introduced new technologies associated with the initiative, such as NETMAN software, national homologations, cloud-based data management, and

a viewer tool for emissions testing. The roadmap also features plans for integrating automatic number plate recognition and enhanced ADAS calibration compatibility. Looking ahead, WG10 will focus on expanding user engagement across Europe and collaborating with national software providers. Future meetings will be scheduled based on members' needs, likely in autumn. Action points include creating informative web resources and enhancing communication with EU institutions.



Frank Beaujean is Chairman of the renamed 'Workshop-Net' WG10

„WORKSHOP-NET“: MORE QUALITY THANKS TO EQUIPMENT COMMUNICATION



The validity of a vehicle safety test does not depend solely on the result. It is also crucial whether the PTI-equipment used, complies with the type approval homologation and whether the test was carried out correctly in accordance with the national regulations. These accompanying parameters of PTI-inspection has been reviewed and discussed with a team of the "Rijksdienst voor het Wegverkeer" (RDW) led by Dennis Ipenburg, to identify potentials for improvement of the quality management system of the Dutch PTI-Regime by equipment communication. "Data such as the homologation number, last calibration, current software version, time stamp for the start and end of the respective test or a photo of the vehicle being tested including the license plate at the time of the test, etc. can also be recorded in a tamper-proof manner via the communication standard "Workshop-Net" and thus used for official evaluations," says Leon Andriessen, President of the EGEA and host of the meeting in Baambrugge.



The participants of the meeting in Baambrugge

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workshops, fostering the exchange of expertise and forward-thinking discussions on the future of the automotive industry. Topics will include: innovation and technological maintenance, sustainable development and CSR, used vehicles, reuse and remanufacturing, the future of automotive professions and human resources, as well as evolving activities and new business opportunities.

As of now, 90 % of the exhibition space has already been sold. A few remaining spots are still available before the event reaches full capacity.

Join industry leaders such as ABRITES, AUTOTUNER, CAPELEC, CLAS, FACOM, Guernet®, JC DISTRIBUTION, KÖNIGSTEIN, KS Tools, L.K., LAUNCH PRO FRANCE, MAGICMOTORSPORT, MAHA, MAROLO, Milwaukee, MULLER AUTOMOTIVE, Nexion France / Corghi / HPA / AutopStenhoj, OMCN, PROVAC, Schumacher, Snap-on Equipment France, SONIC EQUIPMENT, SP TOOLS by TONIC, SPORT SYSTEM / DIMSPORT, TEXA, and many more.

EQUIP AUTO Paris, the international trade show for automotive professionals, will celebrate its 50th anniversary from October 14 to 18, 2025, at Paris Expo Porte de Versailles. With 100,000 professionals expected across 100,000 m², it stands as the leading event for the automotive industry, aftermarket, and mobility services. This milestone edition promises to be an exceptional showcase of innovation and

emerging trends within the sector. To mark the occasion, EQUIP AUTO Paris 2025 will feature 14 activity sectors and 8 thematic villages, including 4 new villages specifically designed to address the key challenges of today and tomorrow. Among them are the Tyre and Innovation Village, the Tech Village, the Energy Village, and the Talents Village. The event will also offer a rich program of forums, conferences, and



EGEA-GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN MADRID

On April 22, the EGEA General Assembly took place in Madrid, Spain, kindly hosted by AFIBA Spain, the day before the Motortec Fair. A welcome lunch with AFIBA and Motortec representatives was prepared for all EGEA members. AFIBA hosted a dinner for all EGEA GA Participants as well. The next day, after the General Assembly, participants visited Motortec Fairs and enjoyed attending events.

A key highlight of the meeting was the participation of EGEA's esteemed sponsors: Equip Auto, Autopromotec, and Automechanika. Each sponsor shared brief yet insightful presentations, updating members on recent developments within their organizations and providing a preview of their upcoming exhibition plans for the years ahead. EGEA extends its sincere appreciation for their continued support and looks forward to strengthening this valuable cooperation in the future. Auditor's financial report for 2024 was presented. The board's discharge was granted, and audited accounts have been approved unanimously by the General Assembly, as well as EGEA's current financial

situation. GA also approved the amendments to the EGEA Statutes and The EGEA Associate Membership in SERMI. The challenges faced by the independent aftermarket were discussed, along with EGEA's cooperation with CITA. It was decided that the next General Assembly will be held on October 17, 2025, in Paris, France, and will be followed by a Gala Dinner to celebrate EGEA's 45th Anniversary. SAVE THE DATE!

The participants of the EGEA general assembly in Madrid



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