

### MEETING ITEMS

The next ENVI meeting will take place on the **6th of November** in Brussels.

#### Votes:

- Continuing current limitations of scope for aviation activities and to prepare to implementing a global market-based measure from 2021

#### Considerations:

- Monitoring and reporting of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from and fuel consumption of new heavy-duty vehicles

#### Exchange of views:

- with the Commission on ship recycling
- with the Commission on food contact materials
- with the Commission on the REFIT fitness check of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 (General Food Law)

On the **8th of November** an extraordinary meeting will be held, with the Governor of California, Mr Edmund G. Brown on the topic of 'Climate Cooperation and the Way Forward after the Paris Climate Agreement'.

The EP President is organising a **High-level Conference in Brussels on 22 November to discuss development ahead of the next EU-Africa summit**, at the end of November in Abidjan, Ivory Coast. [Registration](#) for the event is open until 16 November.

### VOTES

#### Continuing current limitations of scope for aviation activities and to prepare to implementing a global market-based measure from 2021

Vote on provisional agreement resulting from interinstitutional negotiations (see [meeting documents](#))



Following the 39th ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization) Assembly that took place in October 2016, the Commission adopted its proposal for a Regulation amending the 2003 ETS Directive with respect to aviation on 3.2.2017. Given that ICAO decided last year to create an offsetting system to address global

aviation emissions as of 2021, in its current proposal the Commission suggests extending the existing derogation for international flights beyond 2016, until there is some clarity about the new global MBM (market-based measures). Co-legislators agreed on the key political points in a package that includes the current derogation for extra EEA flights to be extended until 31 December 2023; the 15% auctioning of allowances will to be assessed pursuant to the review in Article 28b with the intention for the Commission to make a proposal on increasing that percentage; the safeguard clause on the protection of the environmental integrity of the EU ETS was agreed with a minor modification to the latest Council proposal on that provision

An interinstitutional statement was agreed on the need for ICAO to act in full transparency. Adoption at plenary of the agreed text is foreseen for December 2017.

Rapporteur: [Girling \(ECR\)](#)

Shadows: [Liese \(EPP\)](#), [Dance \(S&D\)](#), [Gerbrandy \(ALDE\)](#), [Kyllönen \(GUE/NGL\)](#), [Eickhout \(Greens/EFA\)](#)

### CONSIDERATIONS

#### Monitoring and reporting of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from and fuel consumption of new heavy-duty vehicles

Consideration of draft report (see [meeting documents](#))

In 2014, GHG emissions from heavy-duty vehicles (HDVs) represented 5 % of total EU emissions. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and fuel consumption from new HDVs placed on the EU market have so far neither been certified, nor monitored and reported.



The Rapporteur welcomes this legislative proposal, but considers that further improvement is necessary. The need to clarify the relationship between the proposal for a regulation on monitoring and reporting, and the proposal for a regulation on certification is stressed. He also calls on the Commission to prepare a schedule setting out when and how the Vehicle Energy Consumption calculation Tool (VECTO) software will apply to various HDV types not yet covered.

#### Next meeting of the ENVI Committee

20-21 November (Brussels); For future meetings see [2017 meeting dates](#).

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Another key issue targeted by the Rapporteur concerns the transparency of the system, he insisting to have a fully transparent market by filling in existing information gaps and thus enabling purchasers to make better-informed choices. He asks that Commission develop as soon as possible an on-road CO<sub>2</sub> emission test, carried out under the supervision of independent bodies.

Rapporteur: [Zoffoli \(S&D\)](#)

Shadows: [Fjellner \(EPP\)](#), [Girling \(ECR\)](#), [Torvalds \(ALDE\)](#), [Flanagan \(GUE/NGL\)](#), [Harms \(Greens/EFA\)](#), [Evi \(EFDD\)](#), [Mélin \(ENF\)](#)

## EXCHANGE OF VIEWS

### Exchange of views with the Commission on ship recycling



Pursuant to the Ship Recycling Regulation, at the latest by 31 December 2018, EU-flagged ships may only be recycled in facilities listed on the European List of ship recycling facilities. In order to avoid that ships change flag to non-EU flag to facilitate dismantling in a yard not included on

the European List, a financial instrument could be introduced that would aim to cancel out the profit gap between dismantling in substandard yards and dismantling in yards listed on the European List. Following the results of an external study, the Commission concludes that a number of issues deserve further analysis, including with regard to the compatibility of such a potential financial instrument with EU and international law.

The Commission will present its report and findings on the financial instrument, the various options and the way forward after this report.

### Exchange of views with the Commission on food contact materials

Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004 constitutes the legal framework for food contact materials (FCMs). Its purpose is to ensure the effective functioning of the internal market, while providing a high level of protection of human health. It sets out general safety requirements for all FCMs that should be manufactured in accordance with good manufacturing practice so that

they do not transfer substances into food that could endanger human health or bring about an unacceptable change in the composition of the food or a deterioration in its organoleptic properties.

On 6 October 2016, the European Parliament adopted a resolution on the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004, acknowledging that the Regulation constitutes a solid legal basis, while pointing to the fact that only very few FCMs are currently subject to specific EU measures, and calling for the adoption of such EU measures (prioritising paper, varnishes and coatings, metals, or printing inks). The European Parliament also pointed out other shortcomings that exist in the implementation and enforcement of the legislation currently in place. In early 2017, the Joint Research Centre (JRC) published a study on the current market and regulatory situation concerning FCMs for which there are no specific measures at EU level. In its follow-up of Parliament's resolution of 2016, the Commission, in February 2017, pointed out that this study would underpin an implementation follow-up of EU FCM legislation.

### Exchange of views with the Commission on the REFIT fitness check of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 (General Food Law)

REFIT Fitness Checks are comprehensive policy evaluations assessing whether the regulatory framework for a policy sector is "fit for purpose".

The "General Food Law" Regulation (EC) N° 178/2002 sets up general principles and requirements, definitions and basic objectives of food law. It provides a basis for consumers to make informed choices, establishes the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) and, finally, creates tools and procedures to better prevent and manage crisis.

The principles enshrined in the General Food Law Regulation are reflected in other horizontal and sectorial food legislation that was adopted or revised following the adoption of the General Food Law. This Fitness Check is therefore a comprehensive policy evaluation assessing whether the regulatory framework for the whole food policy sector is 'fit for purpose'.

According to the mandate for the General Food Law Fitness Check, established in 2014, the publication of the results was originally planned for December 2015, but publication has been postponed. According to the latest information from the Commission, the results will be published by the end of 2017.

The ENVI committee already held a first exchange of views on this ongoing Fitness Check in November 2015.