



IRU and Road Charging

TRAN hearing
“Mobility Package: Roads”

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This is IRU



European road transport market



- *Commercial road transport matters...*
 - 5 million jobs – half of employment in the transport sector
 - 70% of goods land transport (in t.km)
 - 8% of passenger transport (in p.km) [private cars: 73%]

- *... and keeps growing (2010 to 2050)*
 - +40% passenger transport demand
 - +60% goods transport demand

European Commission Mobility Package

IRU Position



- Commercial road freight transport
 - Fair competition
 - Harmonisation
 - Enforcement
- Commercial road passenger transport
 - *Removing barriers to the most sustainable alternative to the use of private cars*

European Commission Mobility Package

Eurovignette Directive



- *What signal do we want to send?*
- Acceptability of EC proposal based on:
 - Transparency
 - Fairness
- IRU analysis of EC proposal based on:
 - Impact on level of taxation
 - Use of revenues

Eurovignette Directive

Impact of EC proposal on level of taxation

- *IRU calls for revenue neutrality*
- **Goods transport:**
 - EU trucks cover 130% of their infr. and ext. costs
 - Impact of road charging: reduced investment power
- **Passenger transport:**
 - Charging in 15+ Member States
 - Impact of road charging: less coaches, more cars
- *Road pricing will not play its role as an incentive for cleaner and more efficient operations.*

Eurovignette Directive

Use of revenues

- *How can road pricing will not play its role as an incentive for cleaner and more efficient operations?*
- **Infrastructure charging:** building and maintenance of roads and secure and equipped parking areas
- **External cost charging:**
 - Reduce externalities at source
 - Deployment of cleaner and safer vehicle technology, alternative fuel and ITS infrastructure, training, etc.

Eurovignette Directive

IRU proposals

- Exemption of buses and coaches
- Member States' freedom:
 - Vignettes vs. tolls
 - Ext. cost charging
- From Euro class to CO₂ standards: revenue neutrality
- Earmarking of road charging revenues back to road transport
- Congestion charging: exemption of commercial fleets

EETS

IRU Position

- *1 OBU, 1 contract, 1 invoice*
- Removing all obstacles to market access of EETS providers (legal, financial and technical)
- Fair competition between incumbent national toll service providers and EETS providers



Thank you!

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