

**Question for written answer E-001206/2022  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: The Ukraine conflict and the automotive industry

According to Herbert Diess, Chair of the Management Board of Volkswagen AG, the conflict in Ukraine is having a more serious impact on the European economy than the COVID-19 pandemic. Supply chain disruptions could lead to dramatic price increases. Among the products affected are the wiring harnesses that are fitted in every modern car. Ukraine accounts for only around seven percent of European production; but as prices for metals have skyrocketed and metals are essential for car manufacturing, especially electric-vehicle construction, the Ukraine conflict is negatively impacting EU consumers.

In addition, energy prices are rising as a result of the newly introduced CO<sub>2</sub> tax and other climate levies.

1. What will be the impact of the conflict in Ukraine on the Commission's climate change policy?
2. Can there be rapid transition to electro-mobility at the same pace?
3. What measures will the Commission take to support the automotive industry?