

Industrial Accelerator Act: Balanced delivery needed to support Europe's EV transition

Brussels, 4 March – Today's Industrial Accelerator Act addresses a key challenge: ensuring the electric vehicle transition delivers jobs, investment, and resilience in Europe. The priority now is to deliver its principles with the right focus, balance, and efficiency, according to E-Mobility Europe, the collective voice of Europe's electric vehicle ecosystem.

Chris Heron, Secretary General of E-Mobility Europe, said: *"We support an electric vehicle transition that creates jobs in Europe and for Europe. The Industrial Accelerator Act must be proportionate and targeted – designed to drive value-added investment in Europe's strategic sectors without closing the door to trusted international partnerships."*

"Getting this balance right will not be easy, particularly while avoiding new red tape and complexity. Co-legislators now have an important task to review the proposal and make sure it achieves its goal of scaling-up Europe's supply chains while keeping electric vehicles affordable, available, and globally competitive."

Electric vehicles sit at the centre of the Act's proposed rules on European origin, support schemes, and foreign investment, with potential impacts on near-term markets and supply chains.

E-Mobility Europe supports the Act's overall objective of reinforcing Europe's industrial base and creating high-quality jobs through targeted support for strategic supply chains - particularly in areas such as EV batteries. At the same time, continued openness to value-added global investment and trusted partners remains essential.

With the Commission's proposal now on the table, policymakers and stakeholders must carefully consider the most effective tools to achieve these goals. From an initial assessment, further work is needed to reduce administrative complexity for downstream companies, and rules on local content must be carefully calibrated and focused to avoid excessive prescriptiveness.

Other elements of the EU's Automotive Package must also be assessed alongside the Act - including CO₂ standards and fleet compliance frameworks. A joined-up approach will be essential to ensure Europe's EV transition delivers consumer choice, keeps costs affordable, and ensures industrial resilience. It is also important that the final framework continues to respect EU internal market principles and international trade commitments.

About E-Mobility Europe: *E-Mobility Europe is the voice for Europe's collective electric vehicle ecosystem, with over 80 members including national EV associations, vehicle manufacturing, infrastructure, supply chain, fleet owners, and technology. We advocate for Europe's successful transition to electric vehicles, in a way that benefits both the region's people and its industries.*

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