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UETR appreciates the European Commission's efforts to reduce emissions in road transport, with climate and competitiveness goals going hand by hand.

UETR appreciates the new Clean Mobility Package presented today by the European Commission to reduce CO2 emissions by 2030.

UETR welcomes driving innovation and investment in clean vehicles. New technologies and alternative fuels can play the great role to fight against climate change.

To this aim, the financial support for the development alternative fuel infrastructures throughout the Union is very much welcome, also for transport companies.

"The network is key to achieve energy transition. Obviously, investments in alternative fuel filling stations must go in parallel with the existence of a sufficient number of vehicles using that type of fuel as a propellant" said UETR Secretary General Marco Digioia.

Road transport companies can invest in such vehicles if there are sufficient tank possibilities but also if these vehicles are economically beneficial than their traditional counterparts and technically reliable - i. e. they have at least the same working capacity with a similar maintenance scheme and repair costs.

UETR hopes that the new proposals from the Commission will further accelerate the transition to low and zero emission ensuring that environmental sustainability goes hand in hand with competitiveness. The right market conditions and financial support for smaller haulers can make them an actor of the change.

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About UETR

UETR is the European umbrella organization representing and defending the interests of more than 200.000 road transport undertakings (mostly Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) from Western and Eastern EU Member States federations, with a total capacity of more than 430.000 commercial vehicles. Within the Union, 95% of the road haulage companies are micro-enterprises with less than 10 employees (small firms or one-man operations). For more information visit www.uetr.eu

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