

# Fit for 55 – How is the regulatory framework developing?

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# Who are we?

# **Our Members**



MORE THAN 170 COMPANIES, ASSOCIATIONS AND CONSUMER OGRANIZATIONS, **INCLUDING:** 

















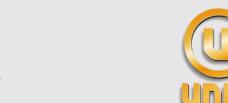


























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# **Fit for 55?**



# Key Fit for 55 legislative initiatives – our demands

Fit for 55 refers to the EU's target of reducing net greenhouse gas emissions by at least 55% by 2030

Press for a more ambitious revision of the **Renewable Energy Directive** 

- Higher GHG reduction targets in the transport sector
- Binding 5% sub-quota for eFuels in all sectors



Introduction of voluntary crediting system

More ambitious goals and eFuel sub-targets in the ReFuelEU Aviation and FuelEU Maritime

Long-term investment planning security

Reflect the climate benefit of renewable fuels in the revision of the **European energy taxation** 

- Contribution to climate protection should be considered in taxation
- Additional price signal through EU-ETS

# Renewable Energy Directive



On 29 March final trialogue reaches an agreement

Overall renewable energy targets are increased to 42,5% in 2030 with an additional 2,5% indicative top up, to which each member state should contribute individually

In the industry sector 42% of the hydrogen consumption has to come from renewable fuels of non-biological origin (RFNBOs) by 2030 and 60% by 2035

- That equals approx. a forecasted demand of 168 TWh in 2030
- Hydrogen produced with nuclear power is included here

- This can be reduced by 20% if
- → Member States use not more than 23% hydrogen from fossil fuels in 2030 and
- → 20% in 2035 or if
- → Member States' national contribution to the binding overall EU target meets their expected contribution

# Renewable Energy Directive

## **Preliminary trilogue agreement**



#### **REDIII – Transport targets:**

- Art. 25 : GHG intensity reduction: 14.5%
   by 2030 or 29% RE share by 2030
- Art. 25 sub-targets: Combined quota for advanced biofuels (annex 9 part A) and Renewable Fuels of non-biological origin (RFNBO) – 1% in 2025 and 5.5% in 2030; thereof RFNBO quota of 1% in 2030;
- BUT: due to multipliers the de-facto targets are 0,5% RFNBOs and 2,75% combined quota

Art. 27 – multipliers: Reintroduction of multipliers for the energetic quota:

2x multipliers for biofuels (listed in Annex IX) RFNBOs

4x multiplier for electricity supplied to road vehicles,

and 1,5x multiplier when supplied to rail transport

- Art. 27 fossil reference factor:
   Renewable electricity for charging electric vehicles receive a new fossil refence factor (EC<sub>F(e)</sub>) which leads to another double counting but the total amount of electrical energy is considered in the denominator and reduces the impact
- Art. 27 Caps: Conventional biofuels 7%, Advanced biofuels part b: 1,7% in 2030

#### **Next steps:**

- Coreper was supposed to confirm the preliminary agreement on 17 May, but due to fears that France might vote against the compromise, the subject was taken off the agenda
- Transposition into national law (generally 18 months after entry into force)

# CO2 emission standards for new cars and vans



On March 27 the Council approved the CO2 emission standards for new cars and vans with a declaration to find a solution for eFuels:

In a first step, the COM will submit an implementing act for type approval, setting up a robust and evasion-proof process for vehicles that are fuelled exclusively, in a permanent manner, with RFNBOs. The Commission will work with the Technical Committee on Motor Vehicles (TCMV).

A first scheduled meeting of the TCMV for **May 4th got postponed** 

Further, the COM will present a delegated act in autumn 2023 for the CO2 emission standards specifying how E-Fuels-only vehicles would contribute to emission reduction targets

If co-legislators reject the proposal, the COM will follow another legislative path such as a revision of the CO2 emission standards to implement the legal content of the delegated act.

# CO2 Emission Standards for Heavy-Duty Vehicles



### EC proposal 14 February

- No consideration of renewable fuels
- Stricter CO2 fleet targets for new HDVs:
   From 2040: 90 % emission reduction
- Scope extended to all HDV, including passenger buses and trailers:
- New definition of zero emission vehicles (ZEV): A zero-emission vehicle is defined as a HDV with not more than 5 g/(t·km) or 5 g/(p·km) of CO2 emissions. This enables Hydrogen combustion (Article 3 point (11)).
- Review clause: planned for 2028

- EU Commission's impact assessment is questionable: The IA got first rejected by the scrutiny board on 16 September. The board issued positive opinion with reservations on 6 December 2022.
- Commission uses the "scientific" IA to justify their decisions, but this fails to take into account many unresolved issues, lacks transparency on some parameters and makes questionable assumptions.

# CO2 Emission Standards for Heavy-Duty Vehicles | eFuel



### European Parliament

#### **ENVI lead committee**

Rapporteur: Yannick Jadot (Greens/FR)

His position:

- -90% by 2040 is "imperfect signal", needs to be raised to -100% and possibly brought forward to 2030/2035
- Scope to be expanded as currently 20% of sales and 12% of emissions from the sector are not within regulation
- Definition of zero-emission vehicles to be limited again to pure electromobility, since hydrogen vehicles use diesel at startup

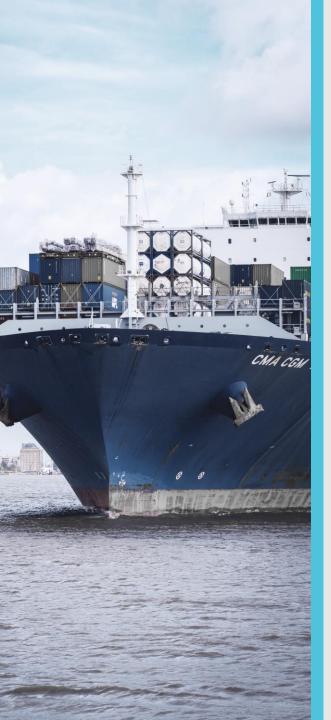
**S&D** and **Renew** shadows **in support** of Green position EPP and ECR shadows call for technology openness

#### Timeplan:

- DD AM 04.07.
- AD Report 23.10.2023

#### Council

- No significant progress has been made so far: Most Member States are still examining the proposal and have not yet defined their position.
- Only CZ government has expressed concerns.
- Unclear whether General Approach will be reached under SE Presidency.
- Trilogue negotiations likely to start under ES Presidency in Q4 2023.



# **FuelEU Maritime**



#### Compromise in trialogue from 22 March:

- Sunrise clause on RFNBO subquota: If in 2030, a 1% share of RFNBO is not reached, a 2% sub-quota will be mandated from 2034
  - 1% equals 3 TWh = 260 thousand tonnes synthetic marine fuel oil
  - Sub-quota can also be fulfilled with low-carbon fuels (if certified under EU legislation) and biofuels
  - Multiplier of 2 for RFNBO towards GHG intensity limits from 2025 until end of 2033
- Scope:
  - Ships above 5000 GT
  - 100% of intra-EU and 50% of incoming/outgoing voyages
- Review by 2028

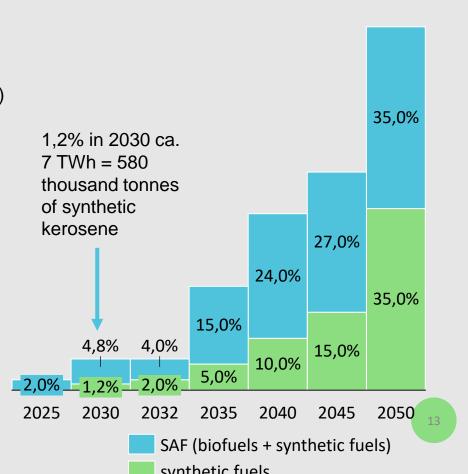
Limits on GHG intensity	
2025	-2%
2030	-6%
2035	-14,5%
2040	-31%
2045	-62%
2050	-80%

# **ReFuelEU Aviation**



### Compromise in trialogue from 25 April

- EU-wide mandates for Sustainable Aviation Fuel shares (no higher national mandates possible):
  - 2025: 2% SAF
  - 2030-2031: 6% SAF, of which 1,2% synthetic fuels (minimum of 0,7% p.a.)
  - 2032-2033: 6% SAF, of which 2% synthetic fuels (minimum of 1,2% p.a.)
  - 2034: 6% SAF, of which 2% synthetic fuels
  - 2035: 20% SAF, of which 5% synthetic fuels
  - 2040: 34% SAF, of which 10% synthetic fuels
  - 2045: 42% SAF, of which 15% synthetic fuels
  - 2050: 70% SAF, of which 35% synthetic fuels
- RFNBO as intermediate not included
- Review foreseen in 2027
- Approval Delayed due to REDIII



# Carbon Pricing: Emission Trading System (ETS) and Energy Taxation (ETD)



Energy Taxation: Presidency Compromise Proposal from 15 March

- Exact levels of taxation still to be determined
- Member States get opportunity to use actual (measured) net calorific values instead of those set in Annex II for the taxation
- Flexibility for taxation in blended products:
  - either by part (independent from CN code under which the energy product falls as a whole)
  - or by main component (to incentivize high-blended fuels)
  - or as average (to circumvent necessary accuracy in defining single components)

 Natural gas and LPG are still in separate tables, but possibility to tax them at lower rates than Annex I Table C category 2 energy products (low-carbon fuels, sustainable biofuels) has been removed

**Next steps:** Likely on the agenda at ECOFIN Council, 16 June 1

### **Carbon Pricing: ETS and ETD**

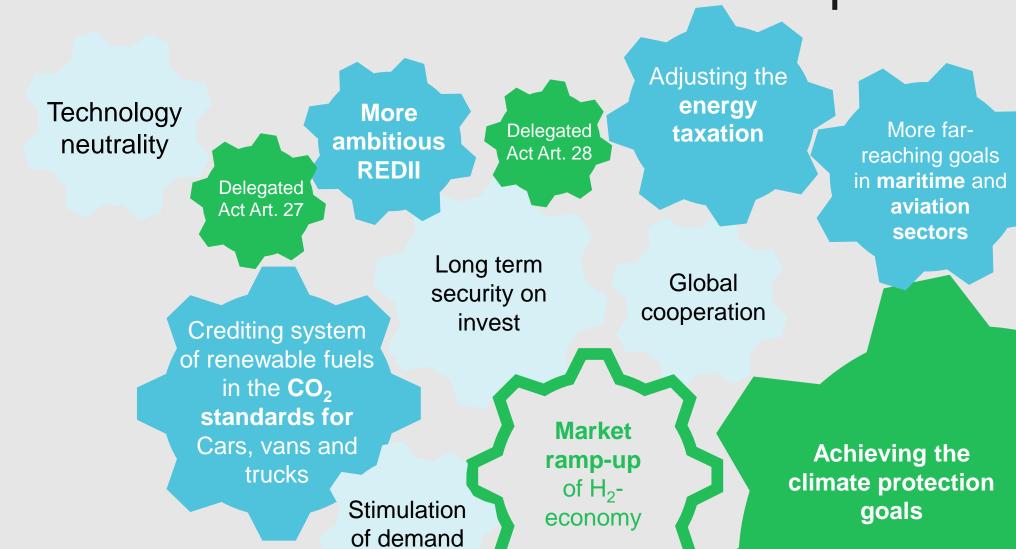


#### ETS

- Text published in the Journal of the EU
- Finalized on 25 April
- The agreement will gradually phase out free emission allowances and phase in the CBAM between 2026 and 2034 for the sectors covered.
- EU-ETS sectors shall reduce emissions by **62% until 2030** (compared to 2005).
- The speed of annual emission reductions will increase, from 2.2% per year under the current system to 4.3% from 2024 to 2027 and 4.4% from 2028.
- Includes certificates for green hydrogen production exceeding 5t/day
- Certificates for the uptake of clean fuels for the maritime sector
- ETS II for Transport/Heating, capped 45€

### THE MOVING PARTS POLICYMAKERS NEED TO TURN





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