



JOINT STATEMENT BY THE INDEPENDENT SERVICE PROVIDERS GROUP

Europe's Consumers, Independent Automotive Service and Mobility Providers on the European Commission Strategic Dialogue on the Future of the Automotive Sector

We strongly support the launch of the European Commission's Strategic Dialogue on the Future of the Automotive Sector. This initiative is a critical opportunity to shape a resilient and competitive automotive industry that benefits both vehicle manufacturers and the broader mobility ecosystem.

However, the challenges facing the automotive sector are far deeper and broader than the limited scope of the first Strategic Dialogue meeting suggests.

For the Dialogue to be truly effective, it must adopt a holistic approach that addresses the entire industry's long-term challenges. This requires the inclusion of all key players driving innovation, including the aftermarket, mobility service providers, and vehicle-related operators – sectors that are essential for ensuring a sustainable and consumer-centric future.

This vehicle lifecycle solutions industry plays a crucial role in advancing digitalisation and sustainability while reinforcing Europe's economic and industrial strength. With a market volume of €236bn (parts and labour) and over 4 million jobs, it is a vital contributor to both local and European economic growth.

As committed stakeholders, we stand ready to provide practical and forward-looking solutions. Given our fundamental role in the sector, we urge the European Commission to ensure that our expertise and perspectives are included in future sub-dialogues, the Automotive Action Plan, and all other relevant consultation platforms.

A genuinely inclusive Strategic Dialogue is essential to securing a robust, innovative, and consumer-focused automotive future for Europe.