

## Topic title: “Eurovignette”

### Brief description and main aims:

In May 2017, as part of the 1<sup>st</sup> mobility package, the European Commission proposed to revise the “Eurovignette” Directive, which allows Member States to levy infrastructure and “external” charges (e.g. pollution, noise, congestion) on their road network and encourage them to earmark these funds to “sustainable transport”.

### Why FIEC is dealing with this issue/topic and their objective(s):

FIEC has always been very much mobilised on this issue which is crucial for the financing of transport infrastructure.

In the spirit of the legislative proposal, FIEC calls for the reinforcement of the “user pays” and “polluter pays” principles.

Most importantly, FIEC insists that Member States earmark the revenues generated for sustainable transport infrastructure, which for now, remains only an option.

### Actions and key dates :

**May 2017** – European Commission’s proposal


**27/11/2017** – FIEC position paper

**02/05/2018** – FIEC voting recommendations to European Parliament (TRAN)

**25/10/2018** – European Parliament resolution (Plenary)

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FIEC voting recommendations 02.05.2018

### Proposal for a Directive amending Directive 1999/62/EC on the charging of heavy goods vehicles for the use of certain infrastructure

⇒ FIEC calls Members of the TRAN Committee to VOTE IN FAVOUR of the following amendments, in order to reinforce the earmarking and transparency principles.



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## Adoption of “Eurocharging” Directive in TRAN Committee: FIEC welcomes ambitious reinforcement of the earmarking principle

■ FIEC welcomes the adoption of the Parliament’s report on the revision of the “Eurovignette” Directive – more recently known as the “Eurocharging” Directive – on 24<sup>th</sup> May in the TRAN Committee. In particular, FIEC welcomes the fact that the adopted report promotes the maintenance and construction of the EU’s core assets in a much more ambitious way.