

Public consultation concerning the Revision of the Directive 2014/94/EU on the Deployment of Alternative Fuels Infrastructure (AFID)

ASECAP, the European Association of Toll Road Infrastructure Operators, represents operators managing more than 82,000 km of motorways across 17 European countries.

As key actors in the TEN-T road network, ASECAP members play a crucial role in deploying alternative fuels infrastructure and are fully committed to supporting the European Green Deal objective of achieving decarbonization and climate neutrality .

ASECAP strongly supports the European Commission's efforts to accelerate the deployment and availability of alternative fuels infrastructure across the EU and take the opportunity of the public consultation to highlight the following priorities:

- The Alternative Fuels Infrastructure framework should focus on publicly accessible recharging and refuelling infrastructure.
- Publicly accessible charging infrastructure for passenger cars and light-duty vehicles along the TEN-T network should provide adequate power levels. While a target above 350 kW may be appropriate in the long term, current grid capacity and the present market penetration of electric vehicles do not yet justify a uniform minimum power requirement across all locations.
- EU legislation should ensure that reliable information on the location and availability of alternative fuels infrastructure is accessible through digital tools, such as applications or online platforms, under the responsibility of the relevant public authorities.
- Given the variety of pricing models for electric charging services—including connection fees, time-based charges, energy-based tariffs (kWh), and roaming fees—the EU should promote a harmonised and transparent display of charging prices to improve consumer confidence and facilitate cross-border mobility.
- The economic impact of the proposed measures should be carefully assessed, particularly regarding their contribution to growth, employment, the competitiveness of European vehicle and infrastructure industries, and the reduction of CO₂ emissions and air pollutants from transport.
- Finally, the revision of the Alternative Fuels Infrastructure framework should balance ambitious deployment objectives with technical feasibility, market maturity, and cost-effectiveness, ensuring a practical and coordinated transition towards sustainable road transport across Europe.

About ASECAP:

ASECAP is the European Association of Operators of Toll Road Infrastructures across 17 member countries representing 123 companies employing more than 46.000 direct jobs and 200.000 indirect jobs. They operate, maintain, manage a network of more than 82.000 km with a long-term vision that ensures highest quality standards to make the road infrastructure safest thank to the user/payer principle providing sustainable financing.

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