Council of the European Union
General Secretariat

PUBLIC

Interinstitutional files:
2025/0420 (COD)

Brussels, 23 March 2026

WK 4464/2026 INIT

LIMITE

CLIMA
ENV
TRANS
MI
CODEC

This is a paper intended for a specific community of recipients. Handling and further distribution are under the sole responsibility of community members.

MEETING DOCUMENT

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Working Party on the Environment
N° Cion doc.:	ST 17010/25 INIT + ADD 1-6
Subject:	CO2 in cars: WPE meeting on 27 March 2026: Presidency steering note

With a view to the above mentioned meeting, delegations will find attached a steering note prepared by the Presidency.

CY2026.EU

Working Party on the Environment (27th March 2026)

Presidency steering note on the revision of regulation on CO_2 standards for cars and vans – Presentation of relevant provisions of the Industrial Accelerator Act and further examination

PUBLIC

The purpose of the Working Party on 27 March 2026 is to receive a presentation of the provisions of the proposal of the Industrial Accelerator Act (IAA) that are interlinked with the CO_2 standards proposal as well as to continue examination of the provisions of clusters 2 and 3.

The Commission (DG GROW) will first present the provisions of the IAA proposal which are related to the CO_2 standards for cars and vans proposal. The presentation will be followed by questions from the delegations on these provisions and their interlinkage with the revision of regulation on CO_2 standards for cars and vans.

Thereafter, the Presidency proposes to pursue the discussion on the provisions of clusters 2 and 3. Following the Environment Council on 17 March 2026, delegations are invited to provide updates of their position and/or provide further, more detailed comments.

The proposed organisation of the discussion is as follows:

- **Roundtable 1:** DG GROW presentation and related questions
- **Roundtable 2:** Further comments on cluster 2 *(2030 vans target, small EV credits, multiannual compliance)*
- **Roundtable 3:** Further comments on cluster 3 *(2035 targets, fuel credits, low carbon steel credits)*

The meeting will be followed up by a **call for comments** on the relevant provisions (details to follow after the meeting).