



# DRIVES' Quarterly Newsletter



## Interview with Mr. Erik Joannert, Secretary General of the European Automobile Manufacturers' Association

"We need to ensure that the vehicles of the future remain affordable and that there is choice for all. While decarbonisation and digitalisation are drivers for innovation, Europe needs to make sure that the diverse mobility needs of all Europeans can be met, regardless of their financial means.

In practice, industry and policy makers will need to work together in order to enable solutions suitable for consumers with different budgets."

Mr. Erik Joannert gave us some enlightening answers on the future of the automotive

sector. To go to the rest of his interview and also to know his perfect playlist for a road trip please [click here](#).

# DRIVES' News

The image shows a page from the DRIVES Strategic Roadmap - Automotive Sector report. The page is titled "STRATEGIC ROADMAP – AUTOMOTIVE SECTOR" and "Survey's first assessment". It contains the following text:

In March 2019, DRIVES launched an online survey to support the creation of a strategic roadmap for the sector, which will contain information necessary to all the project's partners to analyse the current Automotive situation in terms of Job Role and Skills needs and the attractiveness of the sector in general. Also, to evaluate the current gap between the VET needs and offer and to develop 30 job role trainings to be offered to the automotive sector, providing 1.100 pilot trainings during project duration.

**1. The Survey Results – The Respondents Profile**

The figure shows a pie chart and a map of Europe. The pie chart data is as follows:

Category	Percentage
Large Enterprise	42.10%
Small Enterprise	11.90%
Medium Enterprise	15.00%
Factorial/Industrial Association	15.00%
Training and Consulting, Employment Services, Education, Trade Union, Technology Centre, Micro Enterprise	7.90%

Figure 1 The Respondents Profile and Geographical Coverage

Large Enterprises and SMEs compose the predominant group of survey respondents with 75%, while sectoral and industrial associations represent 15% of the sample as per Figure 1.

**2. The Survey Results - Drives of Change**

The identified 'Drivers of Change' were categorised by importance for the business and urgency for implementation. The DRIVES consortium highlights 5 macro groups of Drivers of Change (following the outcome of the GEAR2030<sup>1</sup>, the European Automotive Skill Council<sup>2</sup> reports with an analysis on current availability intelligence) related to the Automotive sector - New technologies and business models; Climate goals, environmental and health challenges; Societal changes and changes in the way that consumers access, purchase and use cars; Structural change; Globalisation and the rise of new players.

<sup>1</sup> GEAR 2030, High Level Group on the Competitiveness and Sustainable Growth of the Automotive Industry in the European Union, 2017  
<sup>2</sup> European Sector Skill Councils Report, Eu Skill Council Automotive Industry, 2013

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## DRIVES' First Assessment

Following DRIVES' online Survey to support the creation of a strategic roadmap for the automotive sector, WP2 partners have been assessing the information and preparing conclusions on the main drivers of change within the automotive sector. These results will enable the identification of the demanded job roles and respective VET strategy that will be published by the end of the year.

Stay tuned via the DRIVES website and other media channels to know the outputs of this survey!



## What have we been working on - a short summary

Follow up on the latest updates on our Work Package's activities and progress.

We have developed a [LinkedIn group](#) that will provide a forum for EU automotive sector stakeholders to share ideas and approaches to apprenticeships. All partners are welcome and we look forward to your enthusiastic contribution!

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# EU News

## [EU rejects WiFi on driveless cars](#)

Member-States rejected the European Commission's proposal with regard to the deployment and operational use of cooperative intelligent transport systems. The resistance was created due to concerns about the impossibility to use 4G or 5G technology in driverless cars in the future, since it would not be compatible.

## [Green skills in focus at ILO forum with Cedefop contribution](#)

On the 6 of June, about 180 experts and representatives of governments, social partners and academia gathered in Geneva to attend the International Labour Organization's (ILO) global forum on boosting skills for a just transition and the future of work.

## [Skills mismatch and productivity in the EU](#)

In July 2019, the European Commission released a study on "Skills mismatch and productivity in the EU". This paper aimed to analyse different dimensions of skills mismatch (such as 'macro-economic skills mismatch', 'skills shortages', and 'on-the-job skills mismatch') and to study their empirical relationship with labour productivity.

## [An overview on National Qualifications Frameworks](#)

Cedefop's latest European inventory, analysing National Qualifications Frameworks (NQFs) around Europe offers a myriad of information regarding the state of national regulations and frameworks.

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# Events

- [Leading the mobility transformation: The future of the EU auto industry](#), Brussels, 4
- [European Week of Regions and Cities](#), Brussels, 7-10 October 2019

- September 2019
- [EuroSPI 2019](#), UK, 18-20 September 2019
  - [EMOBILITY FORUM 2019](#), Hungary, 19 September 2019

- [Connected Mobility Summit 2019](#), Amsterdam, 8 October 2019
- [European Vocational Skills Week](#), Helsinki, 14-18 October 2019

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## For more information on our project:



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