

European Tyre & Rubber Manufacturers Association welcomes new members and reinforces its contribution to a safer and greener Europe.

Brussels, 15 April 2021 - The Board of Directors of the **European Tyre and Rubber Manufactures' Association** met and agreed yesterday to welcome Nexen Tire Europe, as well as the Czech Republic and Slovakia Tyre Producers' Associations as new members of the Association, as of 2022. The ETRMA will then represent 15 global tyre manufacturers and 11 national sector Associations.

The Board also discussed and reaffirmed its strong commitment to the EU policy objective of a European economic recovery geared to meeting the Green deal ambitions, a digital Europe, and safer roads.

ETRMA is fully committed to continue collaborating with the European Commission on the policy priorities to deliver on the green and digital transitions.

The Board emphasised the importance for the industry and its entire supply chain to be supported by an appropriate regulatory framework, while continuing nurturing its dialogue and cooperation with the European Institutions and relevant stakeholders in order to deliver on the EU priorities and on a more competitive industry in Europe.

"The European tyre industry has been a global leader in tyre performance, innovation and research, sustained by a unique regulatory framework (minimum thresholds, labelling...)" said **Mr Annunziato, ETRMA's President.** "As we recently shared during our meeting with Commissioner Thierry Breton, we have the ambition to contribute even further to increased climate change mitigation targets, tackling tyre abrasion and continuing to improve road safety, whilst contributing to an increasingly circular economy".

Mrs Cinaralp, ETRMA's Secretary General, underlines that "This year our association will welcome new members: Nexen Tire Europe, as well as the Czech Republic and Slovakia Tyre Producers' Associations. Our critical mass is growing and together we can create strong synergies to work even more efficiently towards a safer and greener Europe".

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About ETRMA

The European Tyre & Rubber Manufacturers Association (ETRMA) represent nearly 4.400 companies in the EU, directly employing about 370.000 people. The global sales of ETRMA's corporate members represent 70% of total global sales and 7 out of 10 world leaders in the sector are ETRMA Members¹. The product range of its members is extensive from tyres to pharmaceutical, baby care, construction and automotive rubber goods and many more applications. We have a strong manufacturing and research presence within the EU and candidate countries, with 93 tyre plants and 16 R&D centres.

¹ ETRMA's membership: APOLLO VREDESTEIN, BRIDGESTONE EUROPE, BRISA, COOPER TIRES, CONTINENTAL, GOODYEAR, HANKOOK, MARANGONI, MICHELIN, NOKIAN TYRES, PIRELLI, PROMETEON, SUMITOMO RUBBER INDUSTRIES and TRELLEBORG WHEEL SYSTEMS. Furthermore, members include Associations in the following countries: Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and the UK.