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Automotive OEMs launch joint sustainability self-assessment for suppliers

Brussels, 16 April 2014 – Today marks the launch of a common self-assessment questionnaire to assess the sustainability performance of suppliers in the automotive sector.

This common tool is the product/outcome of successful collaboration amongst ten automotive manufacturers in the European Automotive Working Group on Supply Chain Sustainability. The Group, facilitated by CSR Europe, shares the common goal of working together to improve the sustainability performance of automotive supply chains.

This joint questionnaire will serve as a first self-assessment of supplier performance on CSR/ Sustainability topics in areas such as social and environmental sustainability, business conduct and compliance, and supplier management. The tool is based on the [Automotive Industry Guiding Principles to Enhance Sustainability Performance in the Supply Chain](#).

The automotive industry has complex value chains and a deep structured supplier base and as such, there are promising benefits of adopting a common approach towards suppliers. The active uptake of the common questionnaire by all participating automotive OEMs will avoid duplication and result in efficiency gains for both the OEMs and their suppliers. Individual companies can also choose to complement the common questionnaire with more detailed company specific tools.

The questionnaire is now being actively used amongst Working Group members with various levels of implementation. It is available for any automotive company to use in the development of relationships and sustainable sourcing with automotive manufacturers and suppliers.

Access to the questionnaire and its terms of use is available via www.csreurope.org/self-assessment-questionnaire-for-the-automotive-sector

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About the European Automotive Working Group on Supply Chain Sustainability: The Working group consists of several automotive manufacturers working together – in addition to their own efforts – to enhance sustainability in their supply chains. As of March 2014, the following 10 companies are members of the group: BMW Group, Daimler AG, Ford Motor Company, Jaguar Land Rover, PSA Peugeot Citroen, Scania, Toyota Motor Europe, Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft, Volvo Group, Volvo Cars.

<http://www.csreurope.org/european-automotive-working-group-supply-chain-sustainability>

About CSR Europe: CSR Europe is Europe's leading business network for Corporate Social Responsibility. With 70 corporate members and 37 National Partner Organisations, it is a platform for supporting companies from different industrial sectors to positively contribute to society. CSR Europe facilitates the work of the Automotive Working Group.

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