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# CLECAT NEWSLETTER

Brussels News

## COUNCIL AND EP REACH AGREEMENT ON TEN-T

On 18 December, negotiators of the European Parliament and the Council reached a provisional agreement on a revised Regulation concerning EU guidelines for the development of the trans-European transport network (TEN-T).

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## EU ADOPTS TWELFTH PACKAGE OF SANCTIONS AGAINST RUSSIA

On 18 December, in response to Russia's continuing war of aggression against Ukraine, the Council adopted a twelfth package of new measures.

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# CUSTOMS & TRADE

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## EC UPDATES CBAM NATIONAL COMPETENT AUTHORITY LIST AND Q&A

The European Commission has updated its Provisional List of National Competent Authorities (NCAs) for the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM), adding two new authorities for Spain and Slovenia.

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## PAN-EURO-MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES ADOPT NEW RULES OF ORIGIN

In a significant move to bolster regional trade, the Pan-Euro-Mediterranean (PEM) Joint Committee, on 7 December 2023 adopted new and modernised rules of origin.

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## COUNCIL AND PARLIAMENT REACH AGREEMENT ON EURO 7

On 18 December, the European Parliament and the Council of the EU reached a provisional agreement on new EU rules for type-approval and market surveillance of motor vehicles, also known as Euro 7.

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# ECA REPORT ON EU BIOFUELS POLICY

On 13 December, the European Court of Auditors issued a report analysing the EU's support for biofuels to cut transport emissions, and found that the ever-shifting web of policies have led to an unclear road ahead for the fuels.

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## EC RAISES CEILINGS FOR SMALL AMOUNTS OF STATE AID

On 13 December, the European Commission adopted a Regulation amending the general rules for small amounts of aid (de minimis Regulation) which exempt small aid amounts from EU State aid control since they are deemed to have no impact on competition and trade in the Single Market.

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## EC AND WESTERN BALKAN TRANSPORT MINISTERS MEET

On 12 December, transport ministers from the Western Balkans, Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine, as well as the European Commission, gathered at the annual Ministerial Council Meeting of the Transport Community in Skopje, North Macedonia.

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## EIB PROVIDES €41 MILLION LOAN TO MOLDOVA TO ENHANCE SOLIDARITY LANES

On 15 December, the European Investment Bank (EIB) announced that it will provide a loan of €41.2 million to Moldova, which will be invested to improve internal transport connections and fostering long-term economic benefits for the wider region.

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# EVENTS

## EU Meetings

### European Parliament

#### European Parliament Environment Committee

11 January, Brussels

#### European Parliament Transport Committee

8 January, Brussels

#### European Parliament Plenary

15-18 January, Strasbourg

### Council of the EU

#### Informal meeting of environment ministers

15-16 January, Brussels

#### Informal meeting of transport ministers

3-4 April, Brussels



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