



Press release

ROME MEET 2: A SUCCESSFUL STEP TOWARDS CANCUN UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE (29 November – 10 December 2010)

Eugenio Razelli, Vice President of OICA and President of ANFIA, expresses his satisfaction

Rome, 26 November 2010 – The 2nd Ministerial Conference on Global Environment and Energy in Transport (MEET 2) was held in Rome on 8^h and 9th November 2010, chaired by Mr. Altero Matteoli, Minister of Infrastructures and Transport of Italy.

The object of the conference – which involved the other 45 Ministers of the member states of MEET, the European Commission and the major International Organizations of the sector – was to define a final shared Ministerial Declaration on global environment and energy in transport, after having discussed policies and considered measures aimed at reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, above all CO₂, and air pollutant emissions.

The representatives of International Organizations were asked to give their contribution regarding the governmental actions and policies for the future of global transport.

OICA, the International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers, was represented by its Vice President Eugenio Razelli, who is also President of ANFIA, the Italian Association of the Automotive Industry, member of OICA.

"We want to express our satisfaction for the success of the event and for its conclusions", said Eugenio Razelli. "Industry has been associated more closely than in the past to this governmental debate, trying to better assess automotive industry's priorities and needs, such as an integrated approach, technology neutral policies and joint fuels and vehicles evaluation."

Mr. Razelli expressed the hope that also in the future would the industry be considered as an appropriate interlocutor. "There is strong need to coordinate the private and public sectors if we want to effectively tackle the environmental challenge in the transport sector", added Mr. Razelli. "Our efforts and contributions to the decision process of this Conference have been useful. Now, the next step will be the Cancun United Nations Climate Change Conference".

The final Ministerial Declaration contains a series of governmental measures, including the development of ITSs (Intelligent Transportation Systems) and ICTs (Information and Communication Technologies), of clean technologies and satellite technologies.

Referring to inland transport in particular, the parties recognized that strategies to control GHG emissions and air pollutants should allow for each nation's flexibility to implement those felt as the most appropriate to their conditions. However, they also share the view that substantial improvements can be achieved at national and/or regional level by adopting:

- an integrated domestic approach to national transport strategies, addressing all modes of transport, fuels and vehicles, and using a variety of policy measures and instruments;
- more efficient 'intelligent' transport systems that result in improved energy efficiency;
- transport demand management and behavioral change inducement, through an appropriate mixture of cost-effective measures including legislation, regulations, economic incentives and consumer information;
- best practices sharing among countries
- strengthening international cooperation to develop and harmonize procedures for testing fuel efficiency or measuring GHG emissions through the UNECE/WP.29 and other regional or international fora.





The full text of the final Ministerial Declaration is available on Italian Ministry of Infrastructures and Transport website:

http://www.mit.gov.it/mit/site.php?p=cm&o=vd&id=1504

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OICA

The organization's membership comprises 40 national trade associations around the world, including all major automobile manufacturing countries, thereby covering virtually the entire motor vehicle industry all over the world.

The organization maintains permanent committees which conduct activities in the fields of technical affairs, industrial and economic policy, and industry statistics. In addition, the Organization's Exhibition Committee coordinates international motor shows.

The general purposes of the organization are to defend the interests of the vehicle manufacturers, assemblers and importers grouped within their national federation and, in particular :

- Link the national automobile associations,
- Study issues of mutual interest relating to the development and future of the automobile industry,
- Collect and circulate useful information among member associations.
- Establish policies and positions on issues of mutual interest to the members,
- Represent the automobile industry at the international level, in particular with intergovernmental and international bodies,
- Disseminate and promote industry policies and positions among international bodies and the general public

ANFIA – Associazione Nazionale Filiera Industria Automobilistica

With over 280 companies, a turnover of around €60 billion/year and a total of about 130,000 workers, ANFIA – Italian Association of the Automotive Industry – is one of the leading Italian Trade Associations, members of CONFINDUSTRIA. ANFIA mission is to ensure effective communication between the Italian motor vehicle industry on the one hand, and the Public Administration and Italian political bodies on the other, with regard to all technical, economic, fiscal, legal, statistical and quality-related issues referred to the automotive sector.

The Association is structured in nine product-based Groups, chaired by a President and governed by a Board of directors: Motor Vehicles, Sports and Special Cars, Car Coachbuilders, Buses, Motor Caravan Manufacturers, Commercial Vehicles Coachbuilders, Components, Trailers, Tires.