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Member of the European Commission Commissioner for Transport Rue de la Loi 200 BE - 1049 Brussels BELGIUM

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RE: Sustainable and Smart Mobility Strategy – public consultation and BusinessEurope input

Dear Commissioner.

Please find attached BusinessEurope's position paper on upcoming transport initiatives which has also been used as response to the public consultation on Sustainable and Smart Mobility Strategy.

The transport sector fulfils an important function as one of the key enablers of the Single Market at large. The free movement of goods, services, and people throughout the EU relies on a functioning cross-border transport system. Furthermore, in order to support the investments of transport to achieve the goals of the European Green Deal, it will be important to create the right demand-side measures, generate more funding and support schemes, and minimise regulatory overlaps.

BusinessEurope highlights the need of European balanced solutions in order to achieve an efficient, sustainable and smart Single Market for transport connecting our businesses, regions, and citizens, while contributing to the EU's global competitiveness.

The transport sector needs very comprehensive and consistent policies which focus on the paradigm shift offered by the two megatrends – greening and digitalisation.

This comprehensive approach will better deliver on the smart and sustainable mobility of the future which will be beneficial for the citizens and for the economy of Europe.

BusinessEurope remains at your disposal for further exchanges on this important policy.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex: Key principles for transport of tomorrow - BusinessEurope Position Paper

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