

Under Secretary-General: Mehmet Ege Gündoğdu

Academic Assistant: Efe Dikyamaç

Table of Contents

- I. Letter from the Under Secretary-General
- II. Letter from the Secretary-General
- III. Introduction to ACEA
- IV. A discussion on the agenda
- V. Recommendations from the USG
- VI. References

I. Letter from the Under Secretary-General

Honorable delegates and esteemed members of the Chairboard, It is my honor to welcome you to ACEA and FBALMUN 2024.

My name is Mehmet Ege Gündoğdu. I am a second-year medical student at Hacettepe University. I graduated high school at ITK last year. For those who don't know, my dear friend Alper couldn't be here with you for academic purposes. I will do my best to fill in the gap he left at ACEA, which is quite an interesting committee that the lovely team at FBAL has found for you. I, along with my team will try to give you as much freedom as possible for this committee to be fun for everyone.

I am looking forward to meeting with all of you.

Sincerely,

Mehmet Ege Gündoğdu

II. Letter from the Secretary-General

Letter from the Secretary-General

Honourable delegates,

I am extremely delighted to welcome you all to the FBALMUN'24. I am Elif Erboz, the Secretary-General of FBALMUN'24. I have been attending MUN's since 2022 and now i am here. In MUN's you devalope your public speaking abilities in addition to improve your English. You become educated about world problems and solutions for them. Furthermore you widen your general knowledge in along with strengthening your diplomatic abilities. In the second annual session of FBALMUN, our academic team has decided to assign our delegates to seven unique committees: UNWOMEN, DISEC, ACEA, UNHABITAT, CONGRESS OF VIENNA, JCC: SECOND WEST RUSSIAN WAR, TURKCE KRIZ: KORE SAVASI. Within this study guide you are going find all the necessary information and guidelines which will help you about the committee. Since life is brief, the moments that will always bring us joy and that we will never forget are what truly make it special. I hope that for you, FBALMUN'24 will be one of those moments. As FBALMUN family, we are pleased to serve our attendees an unforgettable experience.

Let's #breakthecycle together.

III. Introduction to ACEA

The European Automobile Manufacturers' Association was founded in 1991 under the French name l'Association des Constructeurs Européens d'Automobiles, which explains the widely used and recognised acronym still in use today: ACEA. Its founding members were: BMW, DAF, Daimler-Benz, FIAT, Ford, General Motors Europe, MAN, Porsche, Renault, Rolls Royce, Rover, Saab-Scania, Volkswagen, Volvo Car and AB Volvo.

ACEA acts as one with common industry positions that also reflect the overarching interests of European citizens, transport users and operators, and auto industry workers. It advises policy makers when making decisions on related topics.

Its main aim is to achieve zero-emission and zero-fatality transport. ACEA itself likes to explain this in six adjectives: green & clean, smart & efficient, safe & reliable.

Current members are BMW Group, DAF Trucks, Daimler Truck, Ferrari, Ford in Europe, Honda, Hyundai Motor Europe, Iveco Group, JLR, Mercedes-Benz Group, Nissan, Renault Group, Toyota Motor Europe, Wolksvagen Group and Volvo Group.

IV. A discussion to the agenda

This agenda and the laws that we'll be discussing can be divided into two: laws on motor vehicles (specifically Regulation 2018/858), and the Green Deal.

Regulation (EU) 2018/858 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on the approval and market surveillance of motor vehicles and their trailers, and of systems, components, and separate technical units intended for such vehicles, amending Regulations (EC) No 715/2007 and (EC) No 595/2009 and repealing Directive 2007/46/EC. This monstrosity of a document will be the first point of this guide. The 151-clauses-long bill established major mechanisms and regulations regarding the sales of combustion engine vehicles. I laid ground terms for further discussion as well.

Following this, numerous other laws were passed by the EU according to the laws voted in by the EU. The main upset was the trucking industry, in which it can be very difficult with the current technology at hand to manufacture trucks that can meet the needs of the transport industry and the European people. Since Regulation 2018/858, 36 new directives and regulations were passed in the European Parliament. ACEA's main concern was the impossibility of some of the drastic targets set by the EU, and the expectation for them to be met in very short time periods.

The other main bill that we should talk about is the Green Deal. Passed in 2020, this package of policy initiatives mainly focused on making Europe the first net zero-emission continent on Earth. What is in the interest of this committee is one of those initiatives passed on March 2023, which set out 2035 for two main agendas: end of the sale of combustion engine cars & vans, and decreasing carbon emissions caused by them by 55% & 50% respectively.

Another thing that can be pointed out is the state of the vehicle industry. COVID-19, the Russia-Ukraine War, and the rise in petrol and gas combined with the regulations set by the EU on not just land vehicles, but ships and planes as well caused stagnant growth in the last few years. Many business leaders, and of course the ACEA point this fact out on many occasions, stating that with the current state of the world, changing is harder than ever before and the competitiveness of the industry is the lowest it has ever been, slowing the zero-emission change the EU wants and that ACEA Members are trying to deliver.

V. Recommendations from the USG

ACEA is not affiliated with any upper body, so keep in mind that it has a mind of its own. Also keep in mind that it is a conglomeration of CEOs, not politicians, therefore it cannot pass laws or regulations. It can only advise regulatory and legislative branches of nations or organizations.

For the purposes of this committee, we added non-ACEA members to enrich the debates and the resulting paper that will hopefully be passed.

For Regulation 2018/858, please click <u>here</u> for further information. It will give you insight as to the extent of the EU's powers over manufacturers.

For the regulations passed after 2018/858 please click <u>here</u> for further information. These regulations will show you how Regulation 2018/858 manifested itself and continues to do so.

For statistics, graphs, and many more, please click <u>here</u> to access ACEA's home page. As far as organizations go, it is one of the best websites combining accurate statistics with the statements and policies of its members.

This guide is to give you an idea on where to start. The three links I have provided to you combined with your research on who you are and what you represent should allow you to have a wonderful time in this committee.

As this is not a UN body, we as the academic team of ACEA thought that it was best to rule the committee in a more relaxed way (in terms of topics of discussion) to propagate fruitful debate and to reflect the nature of ACEA, which is vastly different from a committee under the UN General Assembly. We will of course follow the rules of procedure and the decorum that comes with it.

For further inquiries, please contact me or Efe.

Good luck

VI. References

ACEA. (n.d.). https://www.acea.auto/

Directorate-General for Climate Action. (2023, March 28). Fit for 55: Eu reaches New Milestone to make all new cars and vans Zero-emission from 2035. Climate Action.

https://climate.ec.europa.eu/news-your-voice/news/fit-55-eu-reaches-new-milestone-make-all-new-cars-and-vans-zero-emission-2035-2023-03-28 en

The European Green deal. European Commission. (n.d.). https://commission.europa.eu/strategy-and-policy/priorities-2019-202 4/european-green-deal_en

Motor vehicles, their trailers, systems and components. Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs. (n.d.). https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/sectors/automotive-industry/legislation/motor-vehicles-trailers_en

Regulation - 2018/858 - en - EUR-lex. EUR. (n.d.). https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv%3AOJ.L
https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv%3AOJ.L
https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv%3AOJ.L
https://europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv%3AOJ.L