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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
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Subject:	AOB for the meeting of the <u>Transport</u> , Telecommunication and Energy Council on 4 December 2025 European Policy for Personal Mobility Devices - Information from the Netherlands, supported by Belgium , Czechia, Germany , Greece , Hungary , Ireland, Finland , Latvia , Lithuania , Luxembourg , Poland, Portugal, Romania , Slovakia and Slovenia

We welcome the European Commission's focus on improving the safety of Personal Mobility Devices (PMDs), as highlighted in the TRL report on technical regulation for PMDs of November 2024. We strongly advocate for a harmonised regulatory environment for PMDs. A consistent, EU-wide framework is essential to ensure technically safe and high-quality vehicles, remove market barriers, and foster innovation within the Single Market.

Currently, PMDs fall outside the scope of Regulation (EU) 168/2013. As a result, Member States are creating their own legal frameworks, leading to a patchwork of inconsistent rules between Member States. This also results in a large administrative burden for national authorities. In addition, these regulatory inconsistencies create unnecessary complexity for manufacturers. Subsequently, this undermines the structural integrity of PMDs, as very similar vehicles do not need to comply with the same set of standards across Member States.

European harmonised regulation for PMDs will provide legal certainty, reduce administrative burdens, and create a level playing field that supports innovation and manufacturers. It will strengthen Europe's position in delivering safe and sustainable mobility solutions. We therefore call for the introduction of an EU-wide type-approval-like system for PMDs.

We urge the European Commission to prioritise the development of a harmonised regulatory framework for PMDs—one that contributes to road safety, reduces administrative costs, and fosters innovation. Together, we aim to ensure that PMDs can be safely and effectively used across Europe, benefiting consumers, businesses, and Member States alike.
