# **RELEVANT MEMBERSHIPS IN AUTOMOTIVE ASSOCIATIONS.**



#### List of Associations

The BMW Group is a member of certain trade and industry associations and other stakeholder groups that address numerous topics relevant to the business success of the company. BMW Group publishes a  $\nearrow$  list of organisations that the company is a member of. The following section describes the BMW Group's involvement and its positions in selected major associations.

#### > Selective overview of memberships supporting the Paris Climate Agreement

The BMW Group advocates its positions in the relevant organisations of which it is a member. The associations and organisations listed in the following table by way of example are explicitly in favour of the Paris Agreement:

Examples of trade & industry associations and other stakeholder groups supporting the Paris Agreement	Country
Aluminium Stewardship Initiative (ASI)	Belgium
Association des Constructeurs Européens d'Automobiles (ACEA)	Belgium
Branchenverband der deutschen Informations- und Telekommunikationsbranche (BITKOM)	Germany
Bundesverband der Deutschen Industrie e. V. (BDI)	Germany
Business Europe ASG	Belgium
DRIVE Sustainability	Belgium
Econsense Forum für Nachhaltige Entwicklung	Germany
Electric Drive Neuseeland	New Zealand
Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft (FHG)	Germany
Global Battery Alliance	Switzerland
Hydrogen Council (A.I.S.B.L.)	Belgium
Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator (LACI)	USA
UN Global Compact – The Foundation of the Global Compact	USA
Verband der Automobilindustrie (VDA)	Germany
Vereinigung der Bayerischen Wirtschaft e.V. (VBW)	Germany
World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)	Switzerland

# ▶ German Association of the Automotive Industry (VDA)

The BMW Group is a full member of Manufacturer Group I (Automotive Manufacturers) within the German Association of the Automotive Industry (VDA), which brings together more than 650 manufacturers and suppliers in a single group. As a VDA member, the BMW Group actively participates in the various association bodies, including its Managing Board, committees, working groups and steering committees.

Key focuses of the association's work include data, international trade, drive-train technologies, taxation and regulation, as well as market-specific policy issues, such as promoting research and development. The

BMW Group is committed to promoting sustainable goals and legislation in the areas of regulation and drive train technologies, in particular with a view to providing political support for the BMW Group's climate goals, which aim to achieve climate neutrality by 2050. Providing this support means representing our interests to policymakers via the VDA on issues such as creating the necessary conditions for electromobility, charging infrastructure, the hydrogen industry and ensuring the security of supply chains and raw material supplies. In addition to the clear appeal for nationwide public charging infrastructure coverage, the BMW Group has advocated for broad access to private charging options at home and at work.

With respect to data and digitalisation, the BMW Group works within the association to ensure that access to data is provided to authorised third parties via secure, protected, equitable-access platforms, so that highly automated vehicles will continue to be safe for users in the future.

In the area of international trade, the BMW Group is committed to a comprehensive European trade policy that ensures free access to production factors and safeguards the necessary supply of raw materials to European plants.

# • European Automobile Manufacturers' Association (ACEA)

The European Manufacturers' Association (ACEA) represents 14 major Europe-based car, van, truck and bus manufacturers and is based in Brussels, Belgium. It is the most important interest group of our industry to accompany the legislative processes in the European Union. In 2021 and 2022, Oliver Zipse, Chairman of the Board of Management of BMW AG, served as the ACEA president, being actively involved in the political decision-making processes through a wide range of legislative initiatives. A primary focus was the EU Commission's "Fit for 55" dossiers. The regulations included in this package are intended to lay the groundwork for the successful transformation of the European automotive industry. The stakeholder group's goal was to continue to achieve maximum impact in fighting climate change while maintaining and increasing the sector's competitiveness. The association provided solution-oriented support in the decision-making process at the European level via numerous discussion formats, with topics ranging from carbon emissions fleet legislation and the regulations enabling public and private charging infrastructure for electromobility to issues of raw material dependency.

In addition, our work in the association focuses on the legal framework regulating the use of the latest innovations across the full range of vehicle technologies. Basically, all BMW Group representatives are active and engaged participants in their thematic ACEA networks, be it climate protection, digitalisation, trade or vehicle safety.

In the current legislative period of the EU Commission up to 2024, chaired by Ursula von der Leyen, it is important to keep presenting solution-oriented arguments in the political process. The goal remains to ensure that the legal and economic conditions support and promote the establishment of net-zero and digitally integrated mobility in Europe without jeopardising the competitiveness of the European automotive industry.

# > Alliance for Automotive Innovation

Auto Innovators, based in Washington, DC, represents 14 major car manufacturers and is the most important interest group of our industry to accompany the legislative and regulatory processes in the United States.

In 2022 and 2023 senior BMW of North America executives have been designated as lead directors on the Board of Directors as well as members of the Executive Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee. The Association President and CEO was present during the April 2023 EPA announcement on the Greenhouse Gas Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (GHG NPRM) in Washington, DC.

In partnering with the Auto Innovators, BMW of North America has advanced priority legislation pertaining to autonomous vehicles, right-to-repair, and data privacy, just to name a few.

Auto Innovators provides technical expertise on topics such as greenhouse gas regulations, provisions in the Inflation Reduction Act, and cybersecurity.

#### > China Association of Automobile Manufacturers (CAAM)

The BMW Group is active in the CAAM International Committee (CAAMIC) as a channel to discuss policy and regulation topics amongst industry leaders, especially topics related to imported vehicles.

The four work packages under CAAMIC are e-Mobility/sustainability, cyber-security/Intelligent and Connected Vehicles, and investment & other industrial policies.

CAAMIC conferences facilitate the exchange of information and the establishment of common positions. CAAM will then internally align with domestic OEMs and joint venture committees and advocate for the industry position with policy-makers. Those activities include the submission of position papers and policy suggestions or attending direct discussions with policy-makers.

BMW Group China also closely collaborates with the VDA Beijing Office as well as the ACEA Beijing Office for actively engaging in regulation exchange with policy makers. In addition, we leverage industry think-tanks to voice BMW Group positions, such as the China Automotive Technology and Research Center (CATARC), China Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE China), and the China Electric Vehicle Association (EV100).

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