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## Agreement drives EU towards end of internal combustion engine ENVI Council

Last night, EU environment and energy ministers cleared the way for the phase-out of the fossil internal combustion engine by 2035. The proposal is part of the Fit for 55 package and aims to reduce the EU's greenhouse gas emissions by 55% by 2030 and to make Europe the first climate-neutral continent. Negotiations on the package with the EU Parliament and the EU Commission will follow.

**Bas Eickhout MEP**, Greens/EFA Vice Chair of the Environment Committee, comments:

*"The ministers' agreement puts the EU on the road to the end of the combustion engine. This will accelerate Europe towards emission-free and climate-neutral transport.*

*"The end of the combustion engine is coming. This is a gear shift for greater climate protection and puts us on the Paris climate target on the horizon. The agreement is a clear signal to the auto-industry to fully commit to electric vehicles."*

### Background:

In a recital to the agreement, the EU Commission is called upon to submit a proposal on how, after 2035, vehicles outside the fleet limits can still be registered that run exclusively on e-fuels, i.e. climate-neutral fuels.

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