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Strategic vision of the Automotive Intergroup (CoRAI) for the 8th Mandate of the Committee of the Regions (CoR) 2025-2030 adopted at the CoRAI meeting on 5 March 2026 in Brussels

Preamble: The Automotive Intergroup of the European Committee of the Regions (CoRAI) brings together CoR members from numerous European automotive regions. We are united by the goal of actively shaping a future-proof automotive and supplier industry in our regions and positioning our regions as drivers of innovation for the mobility of tomorrow. This support at European level is important for the economic success of our regions. Since its establishment in 2009, CoRAI has actively connected regional and local automotive representatives with industry, clusters, research institutions, academia, and EU bodies.

The automotive sector accounts for nearly 13 million direct and indirect jobs in the EU, including around 3.1 million in manufacturing, 4.5 million in sales and maintenance, and 5.1 million in transportation. Regions with automotive and supplier industries are an essential part of this automotive ecosystem in Europe. They play a central role in the transformation that the automotive and supplier industry is currently undergoing. This ecological and digital transformation is a major challenge, but also a historic opportunity to renew Europe's industrial base, regain value creation, and create new, sustainable jobs in the regions. It is our common task and goal to make this transition just and fair and to maintain the sector's competitiveness.

The Automotive Intergroup of the European Committee of the Regions (CoRAI)

1. provides political impetus, comments on current developments and proposals from the European Commission, and contributes these to the work of the commissions and the plenary sessions of the CoR. In this way, the members aim to articulate and address common political concerns.
2. is supported in its work by a General Secretariat in Brussels; a focus group consisting of representatives of the member regions exchanges information at working level and maintains contact among themselves and with the regions.
3. supports exchange between its members as well as automotive and mobility clusters, regions and cities, and European institutions. Topics are addressed, new topics are set, and best practice examples are exchanged.
4. is linked to the Automotive Regions Alliance (ARA) of the CoR and the Automotive Skills Alliance (ASA) through a working agreement and works closely with both alliances in terms of content and organization. CoRAI is represented in the ARA's Sherpa Group and at the annual conferences of the ARA by its CoRAI chair and regularly organizes events with both partners. The concern for a just transition of the automotive industry is shared.
5. meets at least twice a year on the occasion of the CoR plenary session in Brussels for regular meetings, each of which is devoted to a current topic with experts as guests.
6. offers with its regular meetings regions that are members of CoRAI and ARA the opportunity to exchange information between the annual meetings of ARA. Regions that are not members of the ARA also have the opportunity to be informed about the activities of the ARA.



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7. is the voice of the European Committee of the Regions on issues relating to the automotive and supplier industry.

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