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ECTA updates leadership positions and its EU regulatory focus as of 2026

The European Chemical Transport Association has announced significant leadership changes effective January 1, 2026, as the organisation strengthens its focus on EU regulatory advocacy and continues its commitment to improving safety and responsible care in the chemical logistics sector.

New Regulatory Focus Pillar

ECTA has a longstanding commitment toward improving safety and responsible care in the chemical logistics sector. As the chemical industry dynamics have drastically changed in the last decade, additional ECTA focus pillars including decarbonisation, digitalisation and DEI (diversity, equality and inclusion) have been added, enabling new dialogues, workgroups and network opportunities for all ECTA members.



In 2025, driven by challenging times, the ECTA Board identified the need to add a new EU regulatory focus pillar due to unclear, complex or unstable EU regulatory frameworks impacting chemical transport and logistics operations. More specifically, in the second half of 2025, the ECTA Board decided that ECTA must strengthen its presence in public corporations, such as DG Move, European Parliament, UNECE, IRU and CEFIC, to better lobby in the interest of its ECTA members.

Leadership Appointments

To achieve this new ambition and goal, the ECTA Board has announced that Andreas Zink, former ECTA president, will join the ECTA team as of January 1, 2026. In his role, Zink will become the new ECTA managing director and will also lead the new Regulatory EU focus pillar. He will be replacing Peter Devos, who becomes the new ECTA digitalisation director.

Recognition of Achievements

The ECTA Board expressed sincere thanks to Peter Devos for his nine years of significant contribution as ECTA managing director. During his mandate and supported by the ECTA team, he helped grow the ECTA association and shaped it into an influential industry association with real chemical logistics impact and over 120 ECTA members. In addition, he established the foundations for the digitalisation pillar, the ECLIC vzw striving for standardised eDocument exchanges, and Women in Logistics, responsibilities he will continue to embrace under his new ECTA digitalisation role.

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