



The Association of European Vehicle Logistics

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PRESS RELEASE

ECG – The Association of European Vehicle Logistics announces graduation of Course 12 of the ECG Academy

ECG expands Education portfolio to include new course on Compliance Law training

ECG is proud to announce that twenty one young professionals have graduated from Course 12 of the ECG Academy and have been awarded the prestigious Certificate in Automobile Logistics Management.



Speaking to a record-breaking 180 guests at the Gala dinner of the **ECG Spring Congress & General Assembly on 24th May at the elegant Casino de Madrid** ECG President Wolfgang Göbel warmly congratulated the new graduates and welcomed them to the ranks of more than 200 Academy Alumni who have achieved this highly respected qualification.

In partnership with the Education Unit of KPMG, the [ECG Academy](#) was developed in 2006 in response to demand for specialist training for middle managers working in the finished vehicle logistics sector. This is a unique certificate of excellence and is the only formal qualification in vehicle logistics available anywhere in the world.

The course takes place over 5 modules and at least 24 days with a combination of intensive practice oriented training and classroom work. These modules are held at different locations around Europe to give the participants insight into the practical realities of the different elements that make up vehicle logistics, as well as the regional variations across Europe.

Each year one exceptional student receives the distinction of being awarded the Giovanni Paci award for Best Student. This year the honour went extraordinarily to two outstanding students for their performance and excellence – Patrick Palussek, Glovis and Andreea Popa, Renault Nissan Mitsubishi.

ECG is also proud to announce that it will launch a new 1 day course on Compliance law training. This tailor-made training course has been developed in cooperation with Belgian Law firm Contrast Law and the first course will be held in September. This new course further expands ECG's Education portfolio and reinforces ECG's commitment to education and training. Along with the Academy and this new course on Compliance law ECG also offers the highly successful [Negotiation Management course](#) which was launched in October 2017. It is run in partnership with the [Negotiation Academy Potsdam](#) (NAP) at the University of Potsdam.

Note to editors:

ECG's Spring Congress & General Assembly was held on 24/25th May at the Hesperia Hotel in Madrid. It enjoyed a record breaking attendance of over 180 delegates. Registrations for [Course 13 of the Academy](#) are now open and the course will begin at the ECG Annual Conference in October in Mainz, DE.

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Background for the Editors

ECG, the Association of European Vehicle Logistics, has been the voice of the Finished Vehicle Logistics industry in Europe since 1997. ECG represents the interests of 100 member companies, from family owned SMEs to multi-nationals, and is the major champion of the European vehicle logistics sector. ECG represents all transport modes at EU level – road, rail, maritime and fluvial. ECG Members provide transport, distribution, storage, preparation and post-production services to manufacturers, importers, car rental companies and vehicle leasing operators in the 28 Member States of the European Union as well as Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, Russia, Ukraine and beyond. They own or operate more than 508 car-carrying ships, 16,000 purpose-built railway wagons, 25 river barges and more than 22,134 road transporters.

As a major employer, the finished vehicle logistics sector plays an important role in contributing to the economic success of the European Union. ECG members have an aggregate turnover of around €27.1bn and their economic impact on companies associated with the sector is estimated at €64.4bn. More than 116,000 Europeans are employed directly by the vehicle logistics industry and an additional 294,239 are indirectly employed in this sector.