

eFuel Alliance: CO2 emission comparison in T&E study lacks any basis

Tobias Block: The only goal is to mislead the public!

Berlin, 23.6.2022 - With clear words, the eFuel Alliance rejects a recent study by the lobby organization Transport & Environment. The CO2 emissions comparison presented by T&E lacks any basis, said Dr. Tobias Block, Head of Strategy and Content of the interest group eFuel Alliance. "Respect! T&E has presented a special communicative feat: a study showing that internal combustion engines with 100 percent eFuels are just as climate-friendly as e-cars in Sweden, a country with a very low CO2 footprint in energy supply, they sell in such a way that the opposite seems to come out." Synthetic fuels made precisely from renewable energy sources, known as eFuels, are one of the most effective measures in the fight against global warming. These days, Germany is arguing about its position in the EU Cabinet of Ministers. T&E has played a big part in this with its one-sided campaigning for a ban on internal combustion vehicles and against counting eFuels as part of CO2 fleet regulation, the eFuel Alliance suspects. "It would be better to discuss with more facts and less populism. T&E once again shows a lack of due diligence in the preparation of their so-called 'studies' and aims to mislead the public," Block pointed out. "With this sometimes flat and intellectually undemanding way in which T&E presents supposed facts, the NGO also ends up doing no favors to its actual goal of forcing electromobility and restricting individual mobility. It is completely incomprehensible what is to be gained by T&E acting like a moderately serious lobbying organization to enforce electromobility.

Unsupportable assumptions are made, incorrect units are used, and only what fits the one-sided picture is communicated, he said. "For example, only very small quantities of eFuels are forecast, which are also only produced in Europe with the European electricity mix. This is factually incorrect and misleading. Nevertheless, the T&E paper also shows that internal combustion engines with 100 percent eFuels are just as climate-friendly as e-cars under ideal conditions. But that is not communicated," Block said.

E-cars are an important option in the decarbonization of road transport, but a one-sided commitment to this form of mobility is counterproductive, he said. Anything that benefits the climate should also be used, he said: "No technology should be demonized in the process. E-mobility alone cannot achieve the necessary reductions in emissions by 2030, so both forms should be used for climate protection," Block said.

More information on eFuels at efuel-alliance.eu.

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The eFuel Alliance is an interest group working for the political and social acceptance of eFuels and for their approval. We represent more than 170 companies, associations and consumer organizations along the eFuel production value chain.

We stand for fair competition and a level playing field for all relevant emission reduction solutions. We are clearly committed to greater climate protection and want to see the significant contribution of eFuels to sustainability and climate protection more widely recognized. Our goal is to enable the industrial production and widespread use of CO2-neutral fuels from renewable energy sources.

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