

IEA

INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY



International Workshop Fuel Efficiency Policies for Heavy-Duty Vehicles

**21-22 June 2007
International Energy Agency, Paris**

Heavy-duty vehicles are responsible for 30% of world-wide fuel use. The industry has already achieved significant improvements in vehicle efficiency but large potential savings remain. Many barriers prevent the rapid introduction of cost-effective efficiency technologies, such as lack of information, fluctuating fuel prices, and risk aversion by both manufacturers and buyers. As a result, governments are now exploring both voluntary and mandatory programmes to accelerate improve fuel efficiency improvements in trucks and other heavy-duty vehicles.

The International Energy Agency, together with the International Transport Forum (former European Conference of Ministers of Transport), will host a workshop to explore measures to dramatically improve the fuel efficiency of heavy-duty vehicles (HDV). Experts and policymakers will exchange latest information on policies for improving fuel efficiency of HDV. The discussions will focus on recent experience with fuel efficiency standards for HDV including their effectiveness and key aspects of test procedures. Thus the workshop will be valuable to a wide spectrum of experts seeking to reduce energy use in the transportation sector.

Besides informing participants, the results from this workshop will complement the IEA's policy analysis as a further input into the formulation of recommendations to its member countries on new policies to encourage energy efficiency in transport sector. Likewise, the results will also contribute to the IEA's recommendations to the G8 Heads of State in their upcoming meetings. Thus, participants will have a unique opportunity to influence higher-level policy-making.

The Workshop welcomes policymakers, government officials, researchers, and representatives from NGOs and industries.

Topics for Presentations and Discussions

Current Fuel Consumption

How much fuel is used by heavy duty vehicles? How much by regions? What are the trends of fuel consumption?

Technologies

These presentations will explore innovative future technologies for reducing fuel consumption and their potentials.

Opportunities to Reduce Fuel Use

Results from evaluations of fuel efficiency improvement measures.

Activities and Perspectives

These presentations will introduce activities and perspectives of major countries and regions. The Japanese government will describe its Top Runner fuel economy standard for heavy duty vehicles. Other presentations from America, Asia and Europe are also expected.

Test procedures

These presentations will explore state of the art test procedures which would provide “level playing field” to vehicle manufacturers.

Dates, location and additional information

The workshop will take place on 21 and 22 June 2007. An informal workshop dinner is scheduled in the evening of 21 June.

The workshop will be held at:

The International Energy Agency
9 rue de la Federation
75015 Paris 15
France

For further information, please contact:

Takao Onoda Tel +33-(0)1-4057-6592

Takao.Onoda@iea.org