German Fuel ETS ('nEHS')
In a nutshell

- National ETS for fuels ('**nEHS**') entered **into force** in Germany in January **2021**
- Legislative basis: Fuel Emissions Trading Act (BEHG) and various implementing ordinances
- Scope: **CO2-causing fuels**, esp. petrol, diesel, heating oil, liquid/natural gas, coal
- **Obligated parties**: fuel distributors
- Allocation mechanism: nEHS certificates are **initially sold at fixed prices** (2021-2025), with incremental price steps for each year, transitioning into a floating price period, with allocation via auctions, from 2026 at the latest
- Fixed-price phase (2021-2025)
  - 2021: 25€
  - 2022: 30€
  - 2023: 35€
  - 2024: 45€
  - 2025: 55€
- Auction phase (as of 2026)
  - 2026: Pre-determined price corridor of 55-65€
  - 2027: Completely free determination of prices
- nEHS certificates will be **allocated to the actual calendar year** ('vintages') and are only valid for covering fuel emissions in that calendar year and the previous one (no 'banking' allowed)
- **Sell-off process** for nEHS certificates operated by EEX:
  - Sell-off events twice every week throughout the year
  - Delivery versus payment
- Further info: www.eex.com or nEHS@eex.com

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