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OBd port saved in the new EU type approval rules

CECRA welcomes the agreement reached today on the reform of type-approval and market surveillance for motor vehicles

This major reform will modernize the current system and improve control tests on car emissions data.

CECRA, together with other European associations, have worked very closely, to obtain some important clarifications which have now been made, notably on:

- maintaining the RMI-related data stream via the OBd connector
- the definition including the RMI needed for preparation of vehicles for road-worthiness testing
- the processability of RMI in a machine readable and electronically processable form
- the possibility to get access to data while the vehicle is in motion

CECRA's President Jean-Charles Herrenschildt, commenting the new rules said: *"The last point, being particularly important for innovation and new data-based business models that can better meet dealers' and repairers' customers needs, is perfectly in line with what we claim in our [position paper on connectivity](#)"*

The agreement will be submitted in January to the Parliament and then to the Council for final approval.

(Annex XVIII, 2.8a. "For the purpose of vehicle OBd, diagnostics, repair and maintenance, the direct vehicle data stream shall be made available through the serial port on the standardised data link connector specified in paragraph 6.5.1.4 of Appendix 1 of Annex 11 to UNECE Regulation No 83 and Section 4.7.3 of Annex 9B to UNECE Regulation No 49. When the vehicle is in motion, the data shall be made available only for read-only functions.*

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