Euro NCAP welcomes Allianz to Safer Trucks programme

LEUVEN, BELGIUM – Today, Euro NCAP is pleased to announce that Allianz, one of the world's leading insurance companies, has joined the Safer Trucks programme as an Associate Member, reinforcing the alliance between vehicle safety assessment and commercial risk insight.

Launched in 2024, the Euro NCAP Safer Trucks programme has quickly become an award-winning initiative, recognised for its transparent, independent safety ratings of heavy goods vehicles (HGVs). In its first two years, the programme has assessed nearly 30 truck models, highlighted critical safety gaps, and accelerated the adoption of advanced safety systems across the freight sector. In crashes involving heavy goods vehicles, around 90% of those killed are occupants of other vehicles or vulnerable road users such as pedestrians and cyclists. With freight transport responsible for the movement of approximately 95% of goods across the EU, the exposure and societal impact are significant. These figures underline the urgency of improving commercial vehicle safety on European roads.

Allianz, with more than a century of global insurance and risk management experience and a presence in over 70 countries, brings a deep understanding of the links between safety performance and real-world risk outcomes. The company supports millions of corporate and commercial vehicle clients, not only by offering them insurance solutions but also by helping them manage complex exposures and optimise fleet safety through data-driven insights. With the expertise of the Allianz Center for Technology as Allianz´s competence center for automotive technology and traffic safety, the aim is to create customer-oriented insurance solutions and to promote traffic safety through safer vehicles on the roads.

Allianz's membership underscores the growing importance of bridging independent safety assessment and insurance analytics. Allianz will contribute its expertise on risk trends and claims data, helping to broaden understanding of how safety technologies translate to real-world outcomes, ultimately informing both manufacturers and fleet operators about priority areas for improvement.

> We are delighted to welcome Allianz to the Safer Trucks programme. Their expertise in risk and casualty analysis adds a valuable new dimension to our multi-disciplinary approach. Safer Trucks is designed not only to benchmark safety performance but also to catalyse improvements in truck design and technology. By integrating risk insight from Allianz with our independent testing data, we aim to accelerate safety innovation across the commercial vehicle sector.
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> — Matthew Avery, Director of Strategic Development Euro NCAP

> Joining Euro NCAP's Safer Trucks initiative aligns with our commitment to reducing road risk through evidence-based insights. We believe that independent safety ratings, tied to real-world risk data, can influence both purchasing decisions and the development of safer vehicle technologies. Allianz is proud to support this important work, to help fleet operators make informed choices that protect drivers and other road users, and to offer them tailored and risk-based insurance solutions.

— Matthias Trüstedt, Head of Global P&C Allianz SE

> Our accident research shows that modern safety systems in trucks can significantly reduce the number of serious accidents. In addition to protecting life, avoiding accidents brings economic benefits for fleet operators because a fleet with lower repair and downtime costs is more efficient, offers better working conditions for drivers, and has significantly lower insurance premiums. Through our cooperation with Euro NCAP, we see excellent opportunities to use our combined expertise to improve the market penetration of safety systems that are already available and that contribute to accident prevention.

— Christian Sahr, Managing Director Allianz Center for Technology

Allianz's involvement reflects a broader trend of collaboration between safety assessors, insurers, manufacturers, and fleets, a coalition increasingly seen as essential to delivering measurable improvements in commercial vehicle safety.

Editor's note

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