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# Road charging

I. Eurovignette

II. EETS



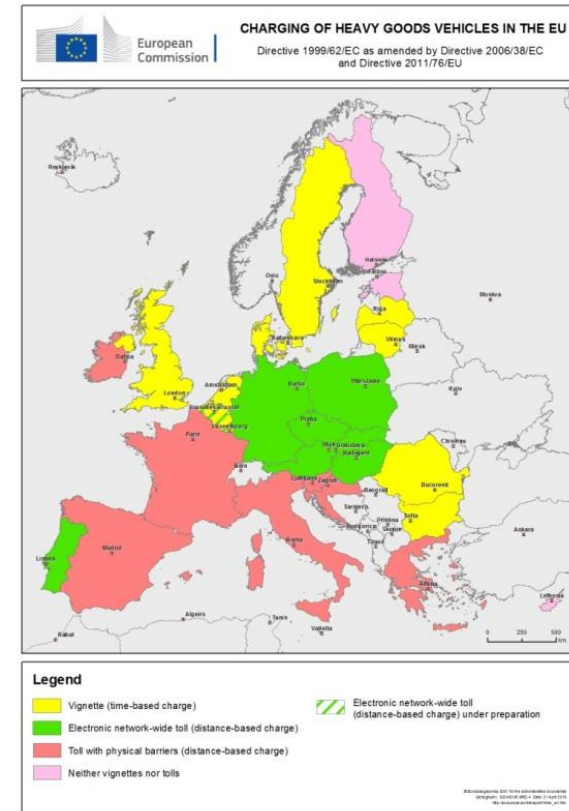
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# Revision of the Eurovignette Directive

1. Main problems
2. Possible solutions

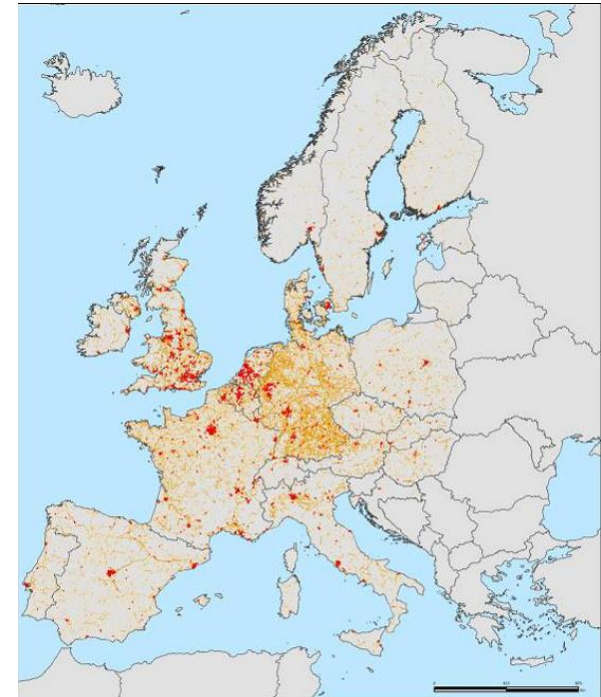
# Main problems

- Inconsistent price signals due to the implementation of different systems
- Discrimination of non-resident road users (vignettes)
- Insufficient financing of road infrastructure, degrading roads



## Main problems (2)

- Congestion costs amount to 1-2% of GDP in the EU and the problem is forecasted to worsen
  - Only few cases of time-differentiated charging
- CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions from trucks continue to increase



# Possible solutions\* (1)

- Promote vehicles with low **CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions**
  - Review differentiation of tolls
  - Exemptions/rebates for innovative solutions
- Phase out vignettes for HGVs
- Legal framework on **non-discriminatory charging of cars and vans**

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## Possible solutions (2)

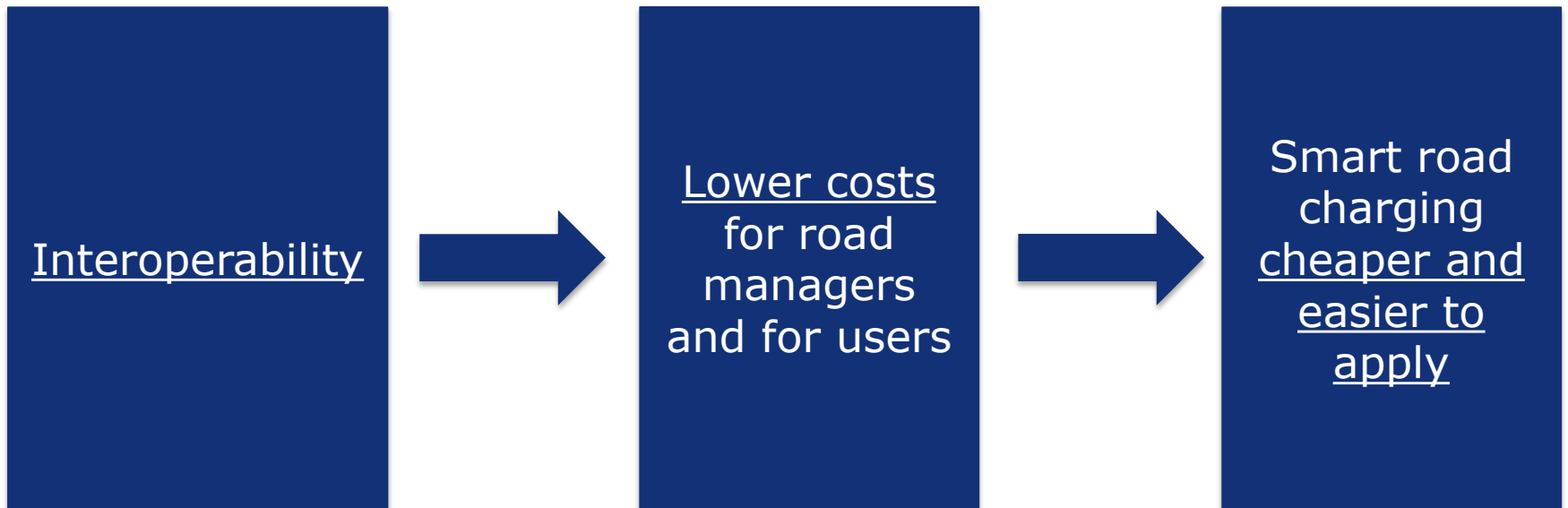
- Review current, inefficient rules on **congestion charging**
- Guarantee a certain **level of road and service quality** on tolled roads



# Revision of the EETS legislation



# EETS – how it should be



## EETS – how it is today

National focus  
predominates

Interoperability  
progresses  
slowly



Deployment,  
operation and  
compliance  
costs remain  
very high



The full  
potential of  
e-tolling for  
optimising  
transport is  
not exploited

## Main problems

- Simply specifying allowed technologies did not fully solve the issue of **technical compatibility**
- Full EU-wide coverage within 24 months is an **excessive requirement for EETS providers**
- EETS providers are prevented access or **discriminated** on certain key national markets
- There is no effective mechanism in place for the **exchange of data on toll evaders** between Member States

## Possible solutions \*

- Stronger rules to **ensure equal treatment** of all service providers incl. incumbent/main providers
- **Relax requirements on EETS providers** (24 months/full coverage/all vehicles)
- Better define the service by **reference in the legislation to specific standards**
- Establishment of a mechanism for the **exchange of data on toll evaders** between Member States

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