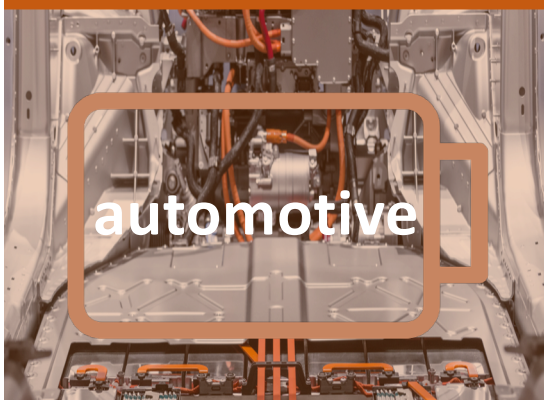


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**James Copping** is a Policy Officer at DG GROW, European Commission, working in the Automotive Unit, coordinating the Commission's policy on electro-mobility and, in particular, on supporting the work of the European Battery Alliance. This included contributing to the drafting of the Commission's Strategic Action Plan for Batteries and to the recent Sustainable and Smart Mobility Strategy. Within these responsibilities, he is working on a number of EU skill-related projects including ALBATTS. He joined the European Commission in 2001 and has worked in different units within the Directorate General responsible for industrial policy.

**Jakub Štolfa** is the program manager and academic staff member at VSB – Technical University of Ostrava, where he has also received his Ph.D. He is responsible for the skills agenda in the Automotive ecosystem. He coordinates the DRIVES project, a Blueprint for the Automotive sector, and is a WP leader in the ALBATTS project. His recent activities focus on a sustainable and pragmatic approach towards the skills agenda in Automotive Ecosystem, establishing the Automotive Sector Skills Alliance, as Pact for Skills in Automotive Ecosystem. He has experience in project/program management, development of training and educational programs, technical background in Informatics and Mechatronics in the Automotive ecosystem.

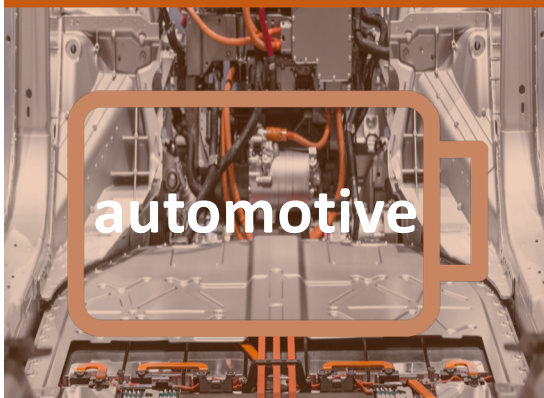


**Bernard Lycke** is the Director General of CECRA, responsible for CECRA's office in Brussels. His function primarily consists of representing/promoting interests of car dealers and repairers in Europe to EU institutions. He monitors the work of these institutions and develops and maintains high representation with the aim to follow up and influence the decision-makers automotive stakeholders in general, such as its counterpart ACEA (manufacturers), CLEPA (suppliers), FIA (consumers). CECRA is the unique representative of the dealers and repairers in GEAR2030 Group. Prior to that, he was the Secretary General of G.D.A. (Belgian "Groupement des Distributeurs et Agents de Marques Automobiles", member of FEDERAUTO ASBL, Confederation of Automotive Trade and Repair, and Related Sectors). He is a member of the E.D.L. network (European Distribution Lawyers, an international association of lawyers and representatives of professional federations active in the distribution sector).

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**Sjoerd Zijlstra** is experienced in Training with a demonstrated history of working in the professional training & coaching industry. Skilled in Hands-on Training, Coaching, Continuous Improvement, Business Development, and Automotive Engineering. He is the Director of Studies and Training Development at EDUCAM Belgium (a knowledge and training centre for the automotive industry)

**Hanna Persson** has been working for Volvo Cars for ten years. Her role is Product Owner for Volvo Cars three regional battery centres and she is managing the HV battery roadmap for Volvo Cars Service Business and EPIC's related to batteries. She is also leading and balancing the HW and SW battery requirements for serviceability and battery exchange for all car and battery platforms within Volvo Cars. She is also the technical expert in the method development of battery repair and battery refurbish in the Battery centre. Prior to this she has been leading the Battery 2nd life strategy and pilot project as well as developed refurbish methods for Volvo first generation of PHEV batteries. For this development work she won the Volvo Cars Technology Award in Sustainability in 2020.



**Krzysztof Burda** is a co-founder and CEO of the Polish Chamber of E-mobility Development Association. He is a practitioner in the electromobility industry, with a focus on the development of charging infrastructure for electric vehicles. He is a co-creator of the *E-mobility now!* program, which involves building real electromobility in local government units, through a number of bottom-up activities (including education, infrastructure, promotion, information) aimed at creating appropriate conditions for the development of electromobility that will be future-proof and suitable for a growing market. He has participated in many congresses, conferences, and working groups aimed at developing the right conditions for electromobility in Poland.

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**Rafał Biszczyński** is the Director of the PIRE Knowledge Hub, where he has built an organization focused on acquiring and systematizing the technical knowledge concerning all aspects of electromobility. Rafał started his electromobility journey in 2018, when he had built the Defect Engineering team in the newly constructed LG battery plant in Wrocław. He also has over 100 hours consulting experience within various projects connected with electromobility – mainly within the scope of the batteries.

**Daniel Brown** is the manager of the Lucas-Nülle Academy (Germany) and is an automotive industry and training and assessment expert with over 20 years' experience spanning across two continents. Founding manager of the completely new LN Academy and responsible for its conception and strategy, he developed the world's first hybrid or electric vehicle skill station currently being used at Worldskills International (Kazan), SkillsUSA and Worldskills Germany. Also, he developed the curriculum used in US automotive programs to cover the ASE L3 certification for hybrid and electric vehicle technician certification. He specialises in electric and hybrid vehicle training for various countries, the different training standards used, and building strategic partnerships for Lucas-Nülle with education partners and certificate awarding organisations from around the world.

