

Member States: National Recovery Plans present once-in-a-generation opportunity for EV Infrastructure investments

ChargeUp Europe today calls on Member States to dedicate the right focus and investment for e-mobility in their national recovery plans under the European Recovery & Resilience Facility (RRF).

While in some Member States EV charging infrastructure is well established and is receiving the appropriate focus in the draft recovery plans, in others it is far less so, which guarantees the development of a 2-speed Europe for the deployment of e-mobility. This situation undercuts the goal of a European internal market for EV charging and urgently needs to be addressed.

National Recovery Plans under the RRF are the perfect tool to fix this situation. Ensuring that a sufficient amount of the RRF budget of €672.5 billion is dedicated to e-mobility and EV charging infrastructure under the recharge and refuel flagship, will be vital to make sure that recharging and refueling investments really contribute to the EU's economic and climate ambitions.

The National Recovery Plans can play a crucial role in supporting Europe's EV charging infrastructure roll-out to bring to scale one of the key solutions for delivering on the Sustainable and Smart mobility Strategy, the Energy System Integration Strategy, as well as the Renovation Wave objectives of the European Green Deal. Not only will such plans provide investor and consumer confidence, but they can also steer the deployment of charging infrastructure to support a more energy-efficient building stock and renewable based energy system.

The investments will play an important role in Member State economic recoveries. From charge point operators to e-mobility service providers, vehicle manufacturers, IT experts, grid technicians and beyond, the EV sector is expected to create over 1 million jobs in the EU27 by 2030¹.

"The investments made through these plans will be the largest in our lifetimes and will significantly affect the uptake of electric vehicles throughout the EU," said Christopher Burghardt, President of ChargeUp Europe. "These Investments will guide the development in many member states for years to come and can be central to the green economic recovery. This is a critical moment, using public funds, and must not be wasted."

Due to its unique characteristics, the EV sector is perfectly positioned to deliver short-medium term economic stimulus for Member States while driving the structural transitions towards a digital and green recovery.

ChargeUp Europe has recently called for a stand-alone Charging Infrastructure Regulation² and a comprehensive EU governance regime with Member State action plans for e-mobility infrastructure to create an open and competitive EV charging sector which serves the needs of the EV driver. Ensuring that Member States dedicate the right focus and investment on e-mobility and charging infrastructure in National Recovery Plans will be an important step in delivering on this vision and in making sure that the historic opportunity offered by the European Recovery & Resilience Facility is not missed.

¹ Platform for electro-mobility - [European Green Deal and Green Recovery: time to focus on Electromobility](#)

² ChargeUp Europe - [Europe urgently needs a standalone EV charging Regulation](#)