

Flash / Meeting with [REDACTED] Rolls-Royce Power Systems (RRPS), 23/11/2021

Participants from RR: [REDACTED]

Participants from COM: Henrik HOLOLEI, Magda KOPCZYNSKA, [REDACTED]

- The meeting started with [REDACTED] presenting the operations and latest developments of RR.
RR has set a target of 35% reduction of GHG emissions by 2030 through converting engine series to sustainable fuels and investing in new technologies. [REDACTED]

- HH asked what they see as the biggest challenge, considering they are very dependent on fuel suppliers and producers. [REDACTED] replied that they consider 3 main topics:
 - Technology – different requirements globally. [REDACTED]
 - Set up of the required infrastructure and availability of fuel.
 - Costs - getting the cost of sustainable fuels down should be a priority

- MK asked about competition in this innovative part of the market and in particular outside the EU. [REDACTED]
- MK asked how can the EU facilitate and support the sector, in terms of legal framework. [REDACTED] explained that they welcome the FF55 package, however, they face some difficulties which might impact the competitiveness of the EU sector.

- HH appreciated the approach and invited RR to become a member of the RLCF Alliance. [REDACTED] – they already participate in the Hydrogen Alliance.

- [REDACTED]
HH and MK agreed that LCA is needed for the transition decarbonisation. There is a framework agreement until 2025 and the approach after 2025 is currently being discussed.

- [REDACTED] asked how can RR support COM and HH explained that their partnership in the EU Alliances and Innovation programmes is very important, since they are a high tech company with many solutions to offer in the future.

- MK presented FuelEU Maritime to RR and emphasised on the technological neutrality, the flexibility and incentives that the proposal gives to ship operators. All the FF55 proposals are currently under discussion and the level of ambition is important. Discussions in IMO are complicated. The EU has submitted a proposal for a low-carbon fuel standard in IMO, that mirrors FuelEU. The aim is IMO to strive for the same level of ambition.
■ agreed and proposed to keep the dialogue with COM open.