# Support us, become a member of BIPAVER!

To enable us to continue with our task and ambition to safeguard, protect and represent the interests of our industry we rely on the support of our members!

The wider and more diverse our membership base gets the stronger our representation and voice becomes!

Support us and our goals by joining BIPAVER as a National Association, Supplier or individual member!



In case you have any questions about BIPAVER and its work/organisation or if you are interested in a BIPAVER membership, please do not hesitate to contact us (contact details on the backside of this leaflet)!

#### **About BIPAVER**

BIPAVER is widely regarded as the European retread industry's most active and influential trade association, representing National Retreading Associations of 11 Countries, leading suppliers and also individual members

Originally **formed in Switzerland in 1954** to represent the interests of both tyre retreaders and retailers, **BIPAVER now operates from the Netherlands** and was completely restructured in 2011 to represent **exclusively the tyre retreading industry.** 

At that time the organisation was **renamed as BIPAVER, Bureau International Permanent des Associates de Vendeurs et Rechapeurs de pneumatiques, The European Retreading Association.** 



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## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION



### Why should I join BIPAVER?

#### What did BIPAVER achieve?

#### What's on the agenda next?

BIPAVER makes **RETREADING** visible and sustainable as a fundamental part of the **Circular Tyre Economy**. It is the **FACE** of the **independent Retreading Industry** in Europe towards Economy, Society and Legislation.

We provide:

- **practical support and guidelines** to comply with current and upcoming (technical and administrative) challenges.
- a common European platform for associations, supplier and individual members to share problems and possible solutions
- a political and regulatory network in Brussels and at the UN-ECE to keep on top of new developments which might impact the retreading industry.
- a link to international Organisations in and outside of Europe (TRIB, ARNEC, TIA, RMA, ...) and have a strong link to the new tyre industry (ETRMA, ETRTO).

The structure and organisation of BIPAVER is very lean, efficient and cost-effective.



From the outset BIPAVER has used its voice and weight to ensure that the independent retreading industry and its products have been able to **achieve and prove a high quality level** and an **adequate acceptance in the market.** 



BIPAVER, together with major suppliers, manufacturers and associations has been one of the driving forces to **establish a technical and regulatory standard at UN-ECE level, the ECE R 108 and R 109**.

New regulatory developments are analysed in regards of their impact to our industry and appropriate measures and actions are taken.

Through its constant representation and activities at the political and regulatory level in Brussels and Geneva BIPAVER ensures that the independent retreading industry remains in a fair and competitive situation. Most recently BIPAVER's work was vital in supporting and achieving the European Commission implementation of Anti-Dumping and Anti-Subsidy duties against cheap Chinese TBR imports to preserve a competitive market situation for retreads. There are constantly new political and regulatory changes on the agenda directly or indirectly affecting the retreading industry:

#### WINTER TYRE REGULATIONS/3PMSF MARKING:

After Germany more and more European countries are defining a winter tyres as a tyre that is marked with the so called "3PMSF or Alpine Snow Flake Symbol" and has passed the required test procedures in their winter tyre regulations. As this applies also to retreads the required amendments for R 108/109 had to be implemented.



### TYRE LABELLING/MINIMUM PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR TYRES:

The European Commission has published the updated Tyre Labelling Regulation EU 740/2020 for new tyres. It is planned to include also retreaded TBR tyres which have been excluded so far.

BIPAVER is (in cooperation with ETRMA and ETRTO) working on an adequate procedure for retreads that aims to integrate retreads with acceptable financial and administrational effort for SME retreaders and create more synergy with new tyres.