

# Competitiveness & Innovation in the EU Automotive Industry

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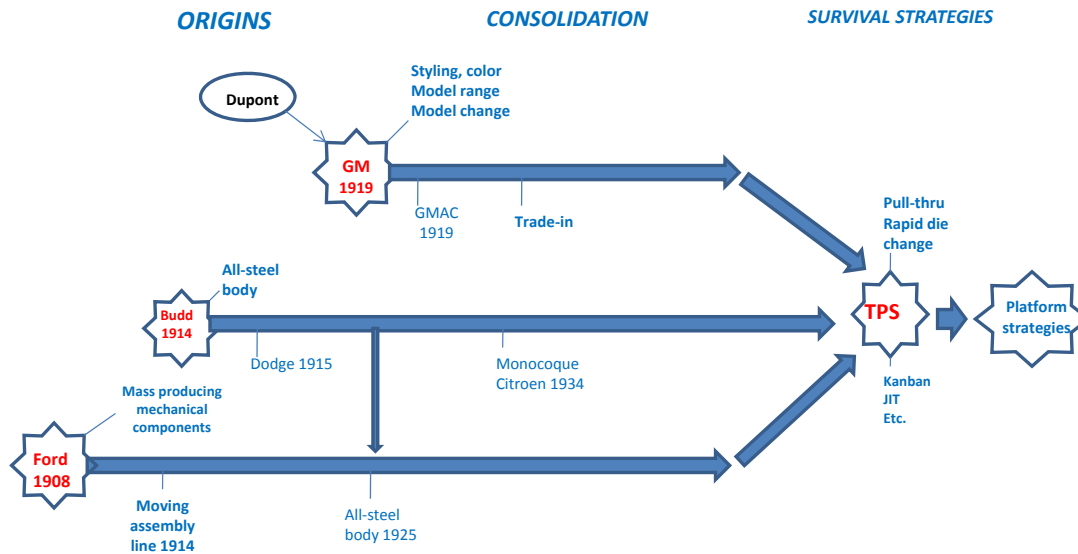
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## THE INDUSTRY TODAY – A US MODEL?

# Key elements of mass car production



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## Ford v Budd: technology in a modern 'assembly' plant

(source: Nieuwenhuis & Wells 2007) :



Process	Origin	Typical cost (Budd)	Typical cost (Ford)
Press shop	Budd	£200million	
Die sets/model	Budd	£40-130million	
Body-in-white	Budd	£100-200million	
Paint plant	Budd	£400-600million	
Preassembly	Ford		£20-100million
Trim/final assy	Ford		£20-100million
Engines	Ford		£500mn/plant
Totals		£740-1130mn	£540-700mn

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## WILL NEW TECHNOLOGIES UNDERMINE THIS MODEL? – EV?

Products are now available



# Electrification of the car – timescale?

e.g.: powertrain developments

1900	1910	1920	1960	1980	1990	2000	2010	2020	2030
magneto	→								
	Battery & coil	→							
	Self starter		Electronic fuel injection						
				Electronic ignition					
					Engine management				
						Hybrid electric			
							Plug-in hybrid		
								FCV?	
BEV									



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## EVs are still an incentive-driven market: e.g. Norway

Norway has around 15 years experience of private electric vehicle use.

Like all EV markets, this is incentive-driven.

### EV Incentives in Oslo:

*Free entry to city*

*Use of bus lanes*

*Free parking*

*Free charging*

*No sales tax*

*No road tax*



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## Government policy can lead to innovation

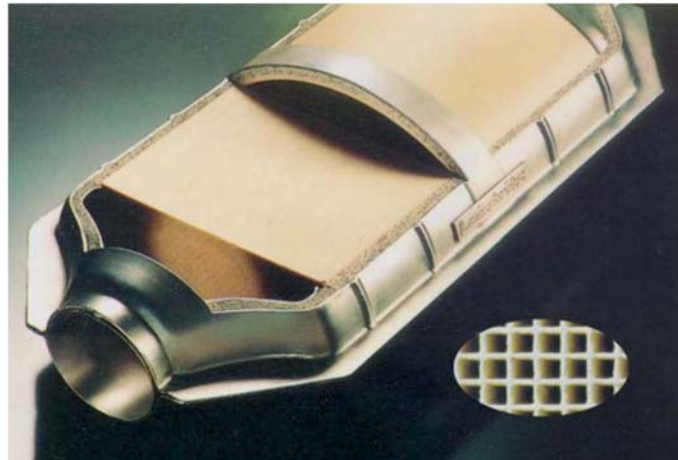
new technologies draw new suppliers into the supply chain.

### e.g. Johnson Matthey

History in banking and commodities (precious metals)

Now one of the largest suppliers of catalytic converters:

(picture courtesy of Johnson Matthey plc)



e.g. EU leading role in carbon reduction

EU legislation leads the world

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Forces EU car industry to develop new technologies

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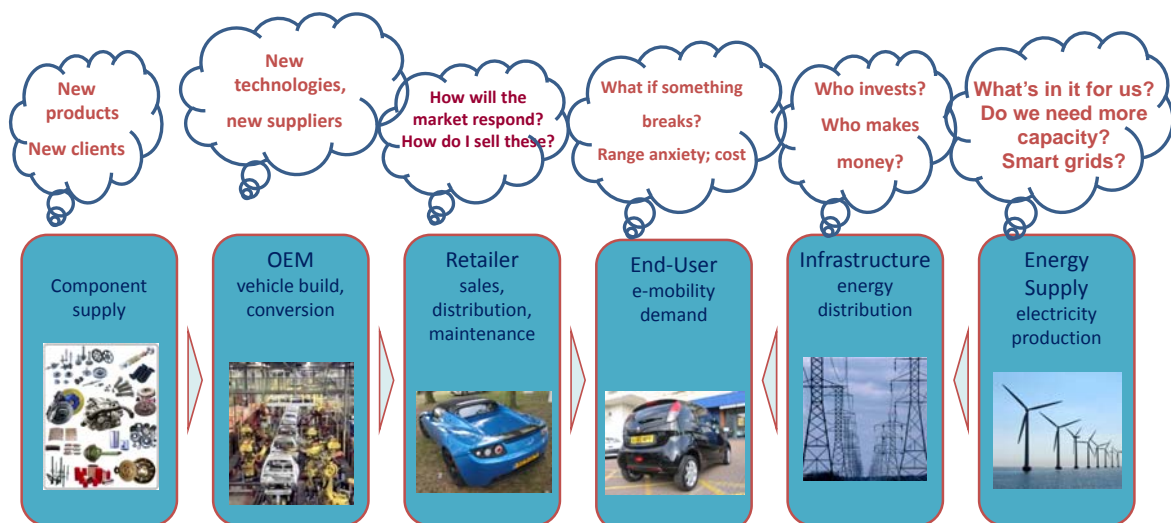
EU legislation is adopted by other jurisdictions

(even the US is now considering adopting EU standards, under pressure from Ford)

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Whose car makers are then forced to use EU technology solutions

## BUT THERE IS INERTIA IN THE VALUE CHAIN...OFTEN BECAUSE OF PERCEIVED RISKS



*Risks are perceived differently at all stages along the emerging EV value chain*

## Media and regulators are impatient

*Why are we not all driving  
EVs yet?*



But, How long does it normally take for  
new technologies to appear in  
mainstream cars?

# 1914 GP de l'ACF



Some specifications were very advanced:

MAKE	Valve gear	Valves / cyl.	gears	Brakes	Results
<i>Mercedes</i>	DOHC	4	4	2	1,2,3
<i>Peugeot</i>	DOHC	4	4	4	4,7
<i>Sunbeam</i>	DOHC	4	4	2	5
<i>Nagant</i>	DOHC	2	5	2	6
<i>Fiat</i>	DOHC	3	4	4	11

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## 1914 GP to Production: 10-70 years!

### Yrs to mainstream

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40-60

70

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### Technology

4 wheel brakes

Double overhead camshaft

Multi-valve heads

5 speed gearbox

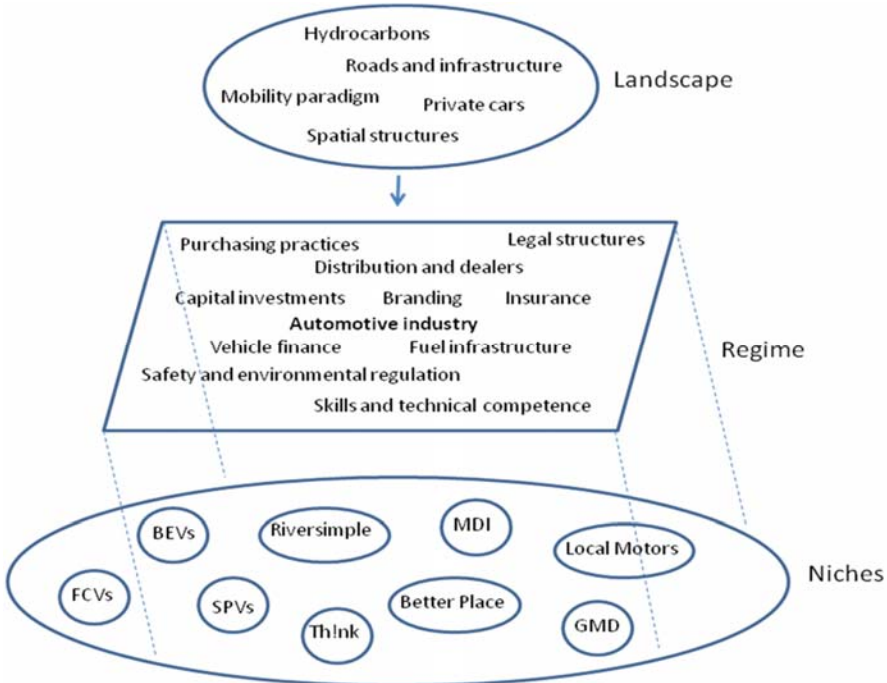
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**NOT JUST TECHNOLOGIES – SOCIAL, REGULATORY,  
PSYCHOLOGICAL FACTORS MUST ALSO CHANGE...**

**Socio-technical regime - automotive** (Wells, Nieuwenhuis & Orsato, 2012):



**NEW BUSINESS MODELS MAY BE NEEDED, BUT  
WHAT ACTIVITIES SHOULD THEY CAPTURE?...**

**autolib**

**CASE STUDY**

# Autolib - Paris



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# Autolib

- Autolib is run by the Groupe Bolloré.
- Integrating battery technology, customer interface and project management.
- Unique design of car developed by CeComp and built by Pininfarina in Italy after mainstream car makers expressed no interest.



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# Autolib

- Bolloré makes chargers, card readers, and batteries.
- ...and manages the call centre.
- Providing a 1-stop shop for the 47 communities in the Ile de France signed up to the scheme.
- When local authorities invest, Autolib pays for parking spaces.
- Scheme expected to break even in 2014 and return a profit from then onwards.
- 680 charging stations and 2000 cars by December 2012.



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## The Bolloré-Autolib Business Model



**Bolloré captures a large part of the value chain**

## The inertia in the system is under-estimated

- Sunk investments in existing IC and steel body technology are considerable.
- But, the EU leads in low-carbon technologies both in powertrain and especially in alternative body/chassis structures
- Risk reduction is essential, hence:

*Transition is initially on the margins;  
slow and small scale; e.g. a new sub-brand...*



## e.g. BMW i-series



Thank you – happy motoring...



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