



## Zemo Partnership NEWS

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### Zemo welcomes £200m Government funding to accelerate UK freight decarbonisation

Responding to [today's announcement](#) of over £200m Government funding for an extensive zero emission road freight (ZERF) demonstrator programme, **Andy Eastlake, Zemo Partnership's Chief Executive** said:

"We welcome this important step on the way to a zero emission HGV fleet in the UK. With many of our members already fully committed and involved in the feasibility work, we know that this funding can really move the dial.

"Zemo has been supporting the Department for Transport and its delivery partners throughout the journey to low - and now zero - emission HGVs and will continue to play a major role in supporting the demonstration programme as well as helping to disseminate the learnings as they emerge.

"It's important to note that the demonstration programme competition will be open to collaborations between vehicle suppliers, operators as well as infrastructure and energy supply companies; decarbonising transport is going to require an even more collaborative approach involving actors across a wider range of sectors than ever before.

"The vital road freight sector is one of the most challenging to move to zero emissions, but with the innovation we see today, matched by the commitment and funding from Government, plus the undoubted ambition of our members, we're confident of seeing real progress towards the decarbonisation of our freight sector matched, we hope, by the decarbonisation of the goods they deliver."

Zemo Partnership and members have been working closely alongside Government officials to develop the programme which will build on the [£20m ZERF trials](#) announced in July last year.

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## NOTES TO EDITORS

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Zemo Partnership ([www.zemo.org.uk](http://www.zemo.org.uk)), formerly LowCVP, was established in 2003 as a public-private partnership working to accelerate a sustainable shift to lower carbon vehicles and fuels and create opportunities for UK businesses. Over 200 organisations are engaged from diverse backgrounds, including automotive and fuel supply chains, government, vehicle users, academics, environment groups and others. In February 2021 the organisation changed its name to reflect heightened ambition as the UK embarks on a trajectory to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.

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