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During the 2014 ASECAP Days the major transport stakeholders had the opportunity to meet in order to examine all the technology developments and to reflect upon the current socio-economic situation. They all commonly share the key political view on the "way-forward" for the sustainable development of the tolled road sector, based on a realistic vision towards efficient, safe and intelligent road mobility.

Personalities of the European Commission and the European Investment Bank, together with representatives of the ASECAP National Members concluded that economic growth is linked to the development of the transport sector, its proper infrastructure and focused on the concession model therein.

On the occasion of the event, Øyvind Halleraker has been elected as the new President of ASECAP for the year to come. Already a Member of the Norwegian Parliament, Mr. Halleraker has been a key and longstanding personality representing Norvegfinans within ASECAP. In his first speech as ASECAP President, Øyvind Halleraker thanked all the ASECAP personalities, particularly the previous president Jean Mesqui and underlined his commitment to strengthen further the role of ASECAP as a key player in Europe. He explained that his key priority for the future is to closely cooperate with all the European institutions and Organizations and ensure the continuous development of the road infrastructure industry, promoting tolling as the key instrument of efficient and sustainable mobility across Europe.

#### Notes to Editors:

ASECAP is the European Association of Operators of Tolled Road Infrastructures. It gathers 21 national members representing 187 companies whose network spans over 48 000 km of motorways, bridges and tunnels across Europe. ASECAP's mission is to promote tolling and the direct user-payer principle as the most efficient tool to finance the construction, safe operation and effective maintenance of motorways and other major road infrastructures.

