

# Facing the challenges of a fast-track transition to electromobility

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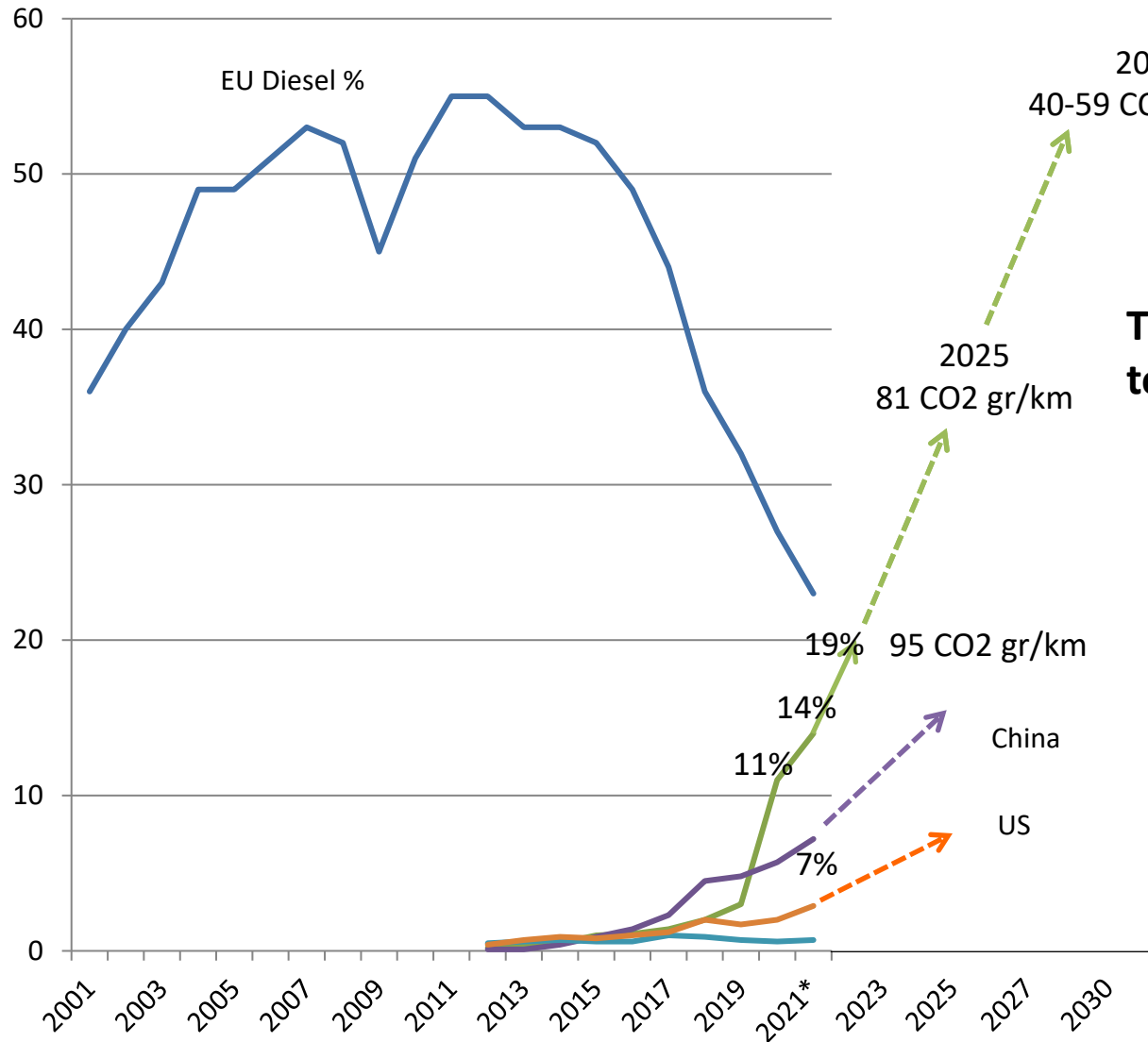
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## The fast-track transition towards electro-mobility... and its blind spots

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# EU 28 market share for EVs (and diesels)

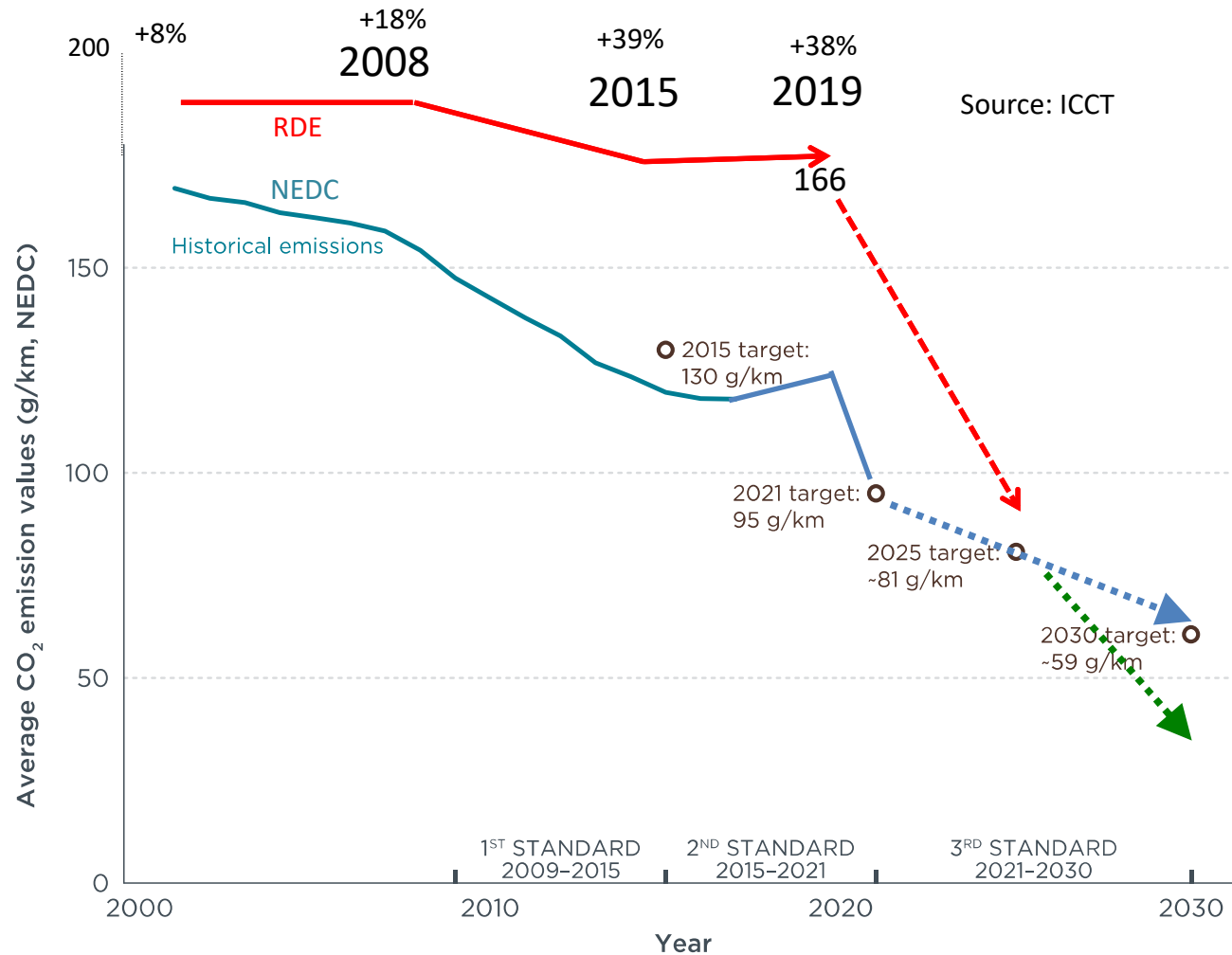


**The EU driven fast-track to electro-mobility**

## EVs market share (EU, China, US)

- EU Diesel [%]
- EU EVs [%]
- China Evs [%]
- Japan Evs [%]
- US Evs [%]

# 1) The regulatory / technical blind spot



Source: ICCT

The bad seed in  
The 1998-2008  
CO<sub>2</sub> regulation for  
cars and vans →

**Figure 1.** Average historical CO<sub>2</sub> emission values and adopted CO<sub>2</sub> standards for new passenger cars in the EU. All CO<sub>2</sub> values refer to New European Driving Cycle (NEDC) measurements.

## “Danger ahead

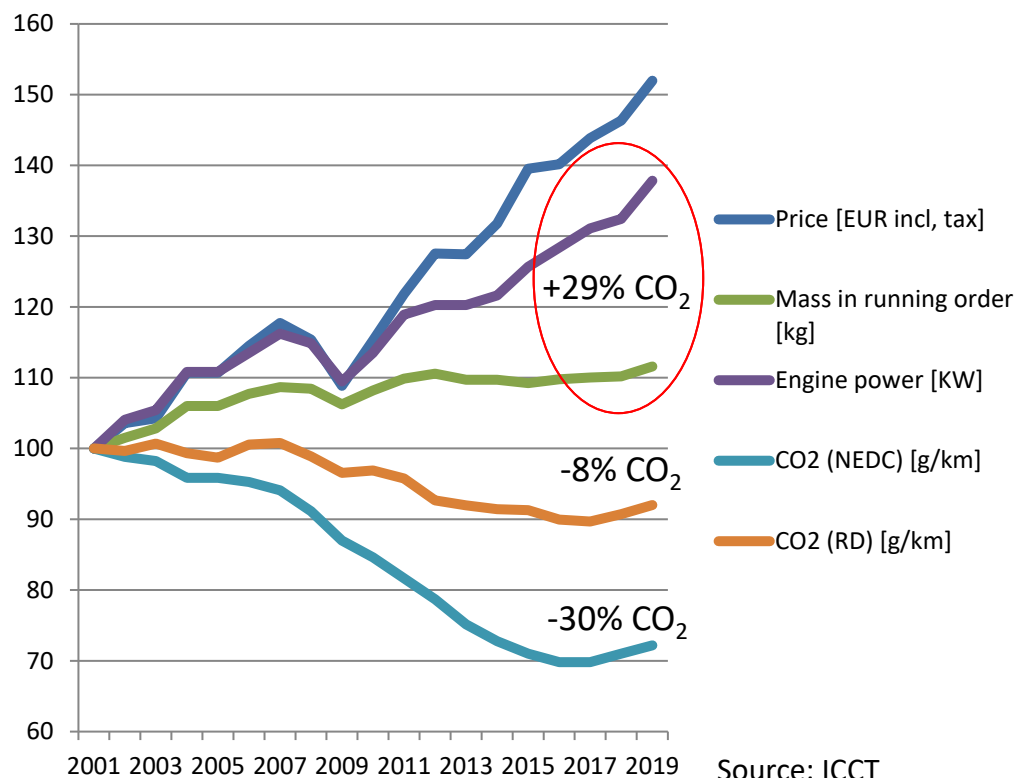
Why weight-based CO2 standards will make Europe’s car fleet dirtier and less safe”

“But ironically, defining CO2 standards by vehicle weight would eliminate weight reduction as a method of generating efficiency improvements, as car makers would not be rewarded for making cars lighter. Lighter cars would be 'punished' with a tougher CO2 target. [...]

***Conclusion: Weight-based CO2 standards eliminate one of the most important paths to CO2 reduction”***

(T&E 2007, p. 5).

## The upmarket drift of the average EU car



Extra weight and power have resulted in +29% of CO2 emissions between 2001 and 2018 (ICCT 2017a, 2017b, EEA 2018).

**2001**

Av. Premium car  
(Mercedes, Audi,  
BMW, Volvo)

1525 kg  
NEDC 198 CO<sub>2</sub>  
RDE 214 CO<sub>2</sub>

**2018**

1679 kg (+154)  
NEDC 131 CO<sub>2</sub> (-34%)  
**RDE 191 CO<sub>2</sub> (-11%)**  
**+40% Sales**

**2020 ->**

BEVs +600 kg (90 Kw)  
PHEVs +450 Kg

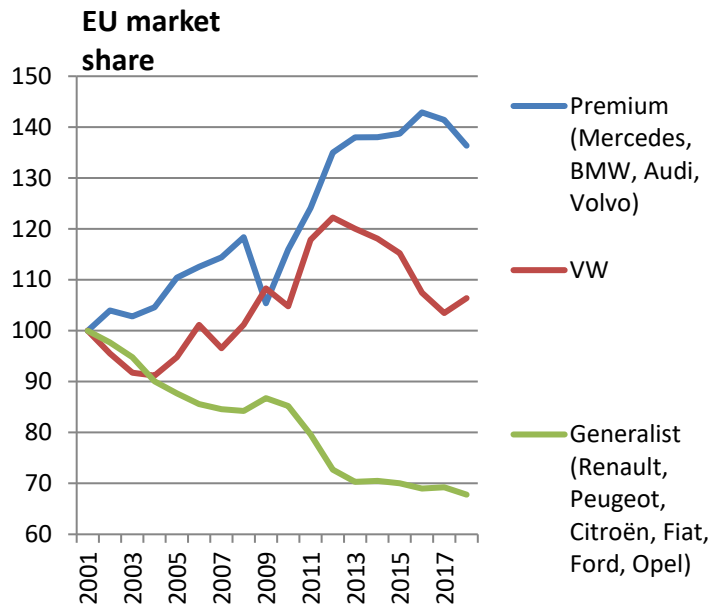
Av. Generalist car  
(PSA, Renault,  
Opel, Ford, Fiat)

1191 kg  
NEDC 159 CO<sub>2</sub>  
RDE 171 CO<sub>2</sub>

1291 kg (+100)  
NEDC 115 CO<sub>2</sub> (-27,6%)  
**RDE 157 CO<sub>2</sub> (-8%)**  
**-30% Sales**

BEVs +300kg (41-61 Kw)  
PHEV +250 Kg

Source: EEA



**In China:**

BEVs -200 kg  
PHEVs +220 Kg

**Best sold EV in 2020 →**

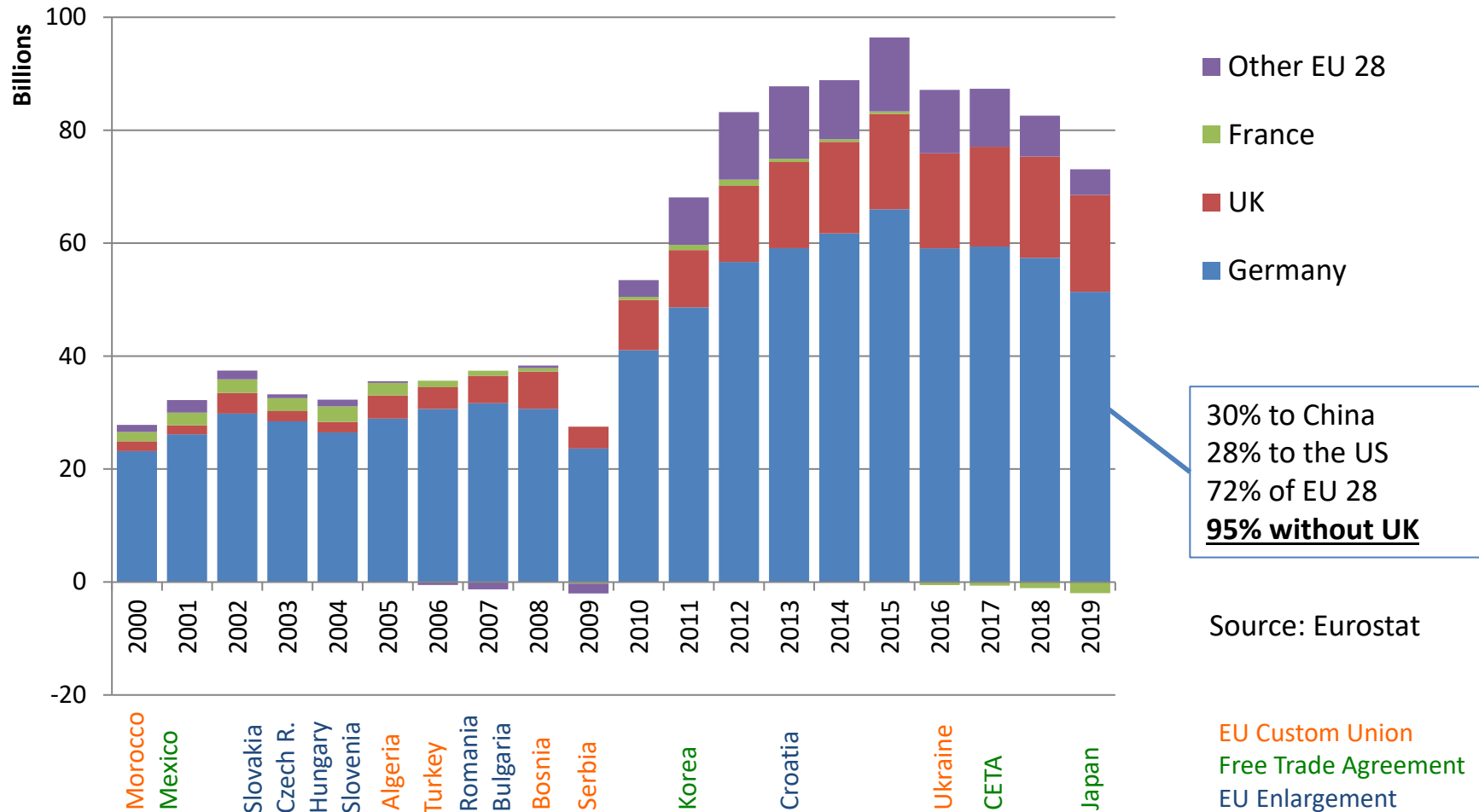
**GM Wuling  
Hongguang MINI**

9,2 kwh /  
13,8 kwh  
\$4000-6000

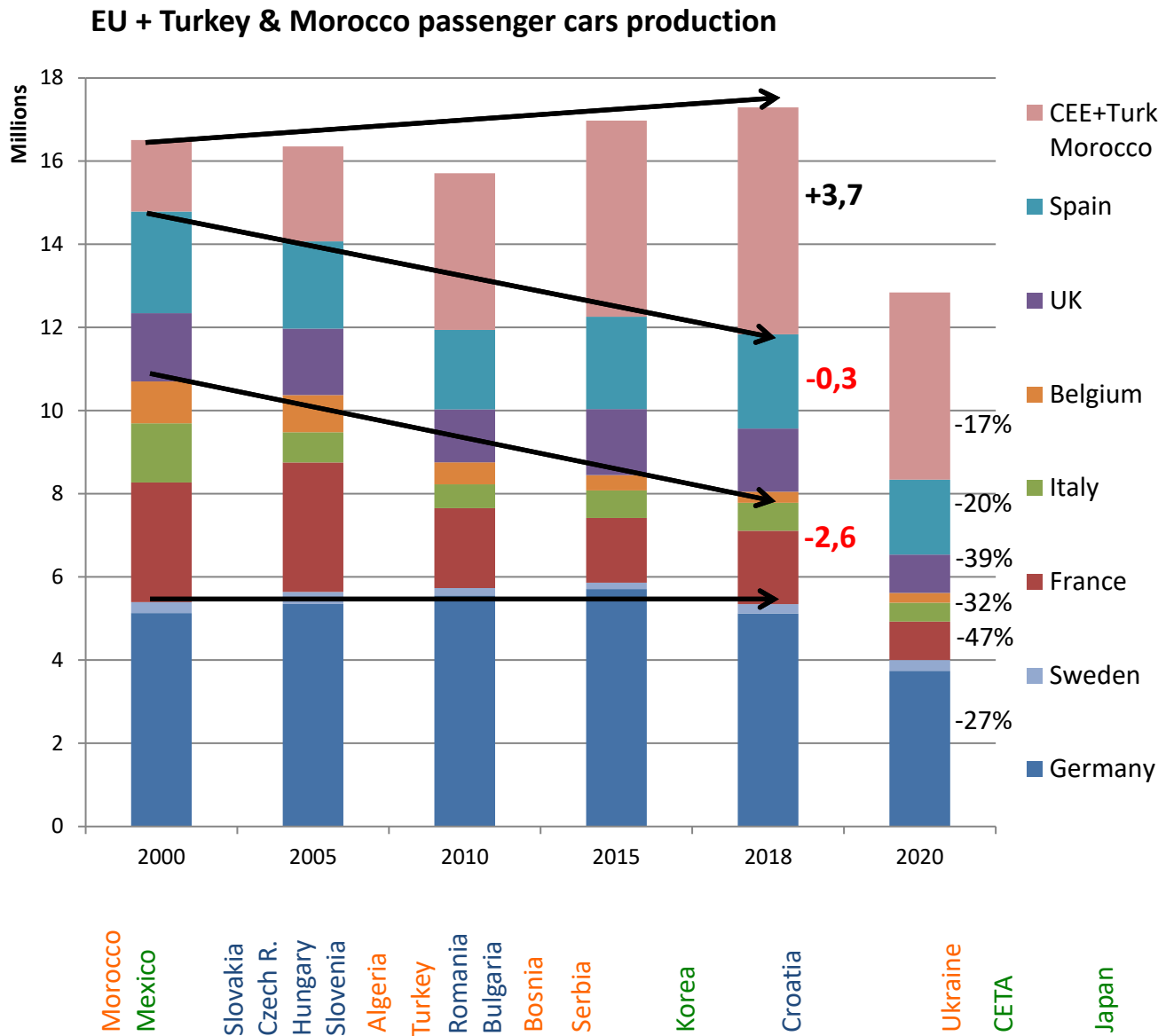


2) The single market blind spot  
A) Trade liberalization

Extra EU 28 trade balance in motor vehicles



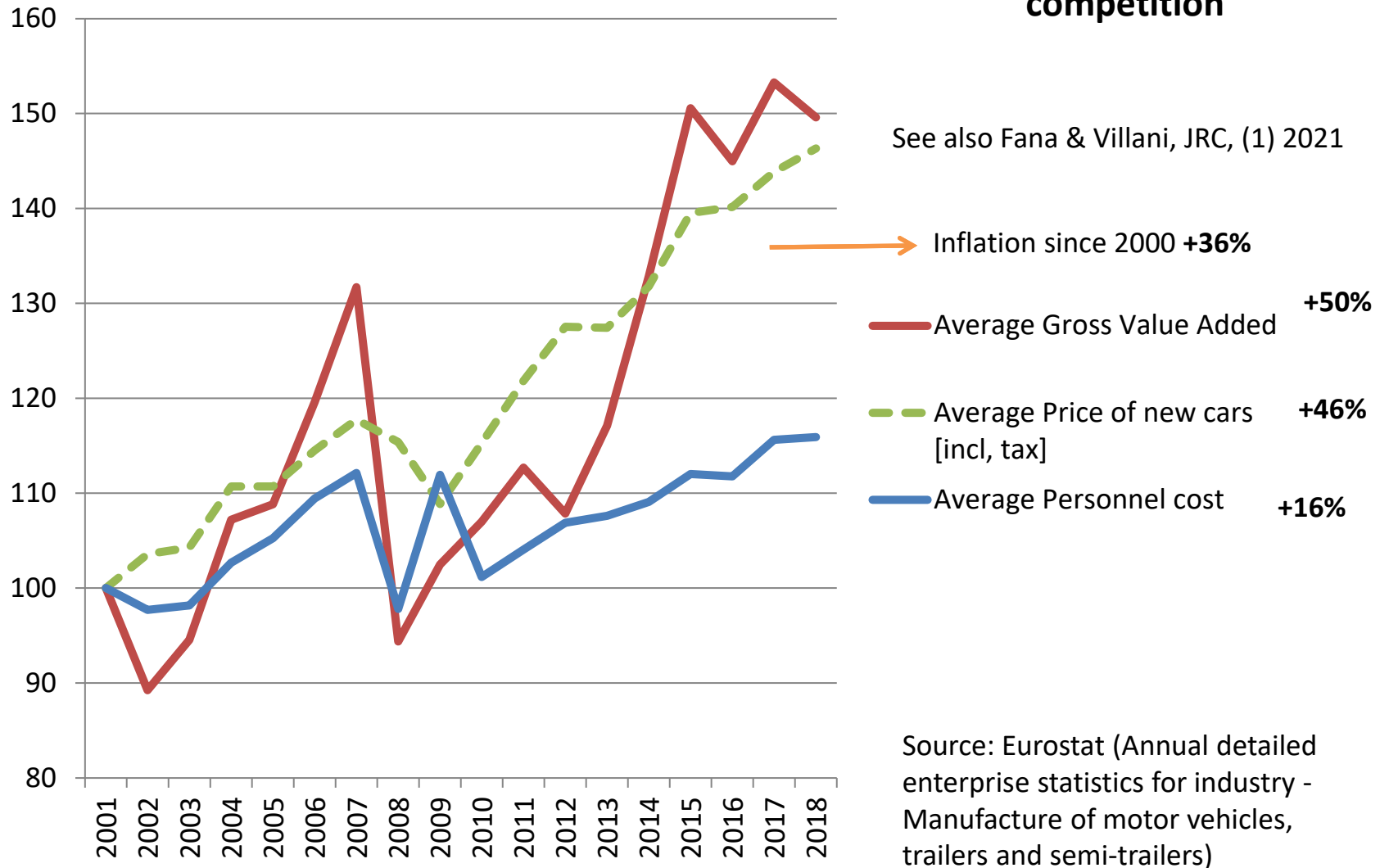
## 2) The Single Market blind spot: B) Internal competition



### A race to the bottom:

The growing divide between personnel cost and gross value added in the European automotive sector (EU 27 without Germany)

### 2) The Single Market blind spot: B) Internal competition





# European Union

- Member States
- Recent Members (May 2004)
- European Continent

3) The Single Market blind spot: a polarized stagnating domestic market for new cars

**Northern Europe**  
55% EU population  
From 65% (2001) to 71% (2018) of EU new cars registration  
91% of EU EVs registrations (2020)

**EU13**  
20% EU population  
From 6 (2001) to 8% (2018) of EU new cars registration  
>1% EU of EVs registrations

**Southern Europe**  
25% EU population  
From 28% (2001) to 23% (2018) of EU new cars registration  
9% of EU EVs registrations (2020)

