

## SMMT Award for Automotive Innovation

### SMMT calls for all innovative automotive enthusiasts

The SMMT's Award for Automotive Innovation is back for 2012.

Sponsored by GKN Driveline and proudly supported this year by The Times, SMMT's search for the UK's leading innovation in automotive manufacturing, design and engineering is back for 2012.



Companies, teams and individuals from across UK automotive are invited to participate in the competition, which will be judged by a panel of industry experts.

The deadline for entries is **2 September 2012** and entries can be submitted by going to the Award section of the SMMT website.

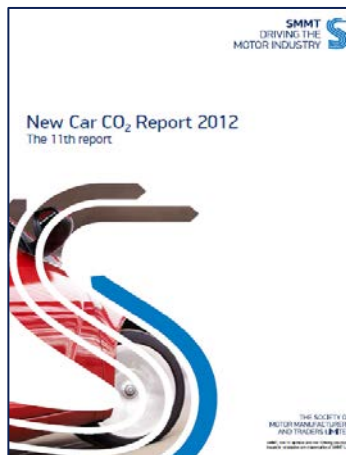
➤ To submit an entry, click [here](#).

## SMMT publishes *New Car CO<sub>2</sub> Report*

### Latest *New Car CO<sub>2</sub> Report* reveals average new car CO<sub>2</sub> emissions fell 4.2% in 2011

The SMMT has published its New Car CO<sub>2</sub> Report 2012, demonstrating the UK's shift towards lower CO<sub>2</sub>-emitting cars across all segments, sales and fuel types.

With full year 2011 parc analysis, the report includes the top 10 lowest CO<sub>2</sub>-emitting cars of 2011, segment trends by fuel type, Miles Per Gallon (MPG) analysis and a snapshot of SMMT's CO<sub>2</sub> data on Light Commercial Vehicles (LCVs).



The report is available to download from the reports and publications area of the SMMT website.

➤ To download the *New Car CO<sub>2</sub> Report 2012*, click [here](#).

## A stronger auto supply chain in 2012

### SMMT confirms 'Meet the Buyer' event in 2012 and calls for early supplier and buyer registration



The SMMT's annual 'Meet the Buyer' event will take place on **3 July 2012 in the West Midlands** and is designed to increase UK sourcing by matching OEM demand with companies in the automotive supply chain sector.

In 2011, SMMT staged four 'Meet the Buyer' events and organised more than 400 one-to-one meetings between buyers and suppliers to cover more than 80 different automotive commodities.

Interested buyers and potential suppliers for this year's event are encouraged to register their interest and ensure their company profile details on the SMMT Automotive Supplier Finder database are up-to-date.

- To register interest as a 2012 buyer: E-mail Nikki Huggett, [nhuggett@smmt.co.uk](mailto:nhuggett@smmt.co.uk).
- To register as a potential 2012 supplier: Complete an [Expression of Interest \(EOI\) form](#)
- To update your company profile on the SMMT ASF database, [here](#).

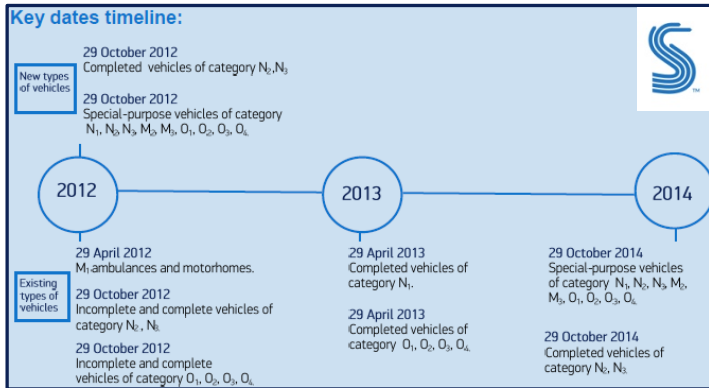
## April Caxton FX Currency report

### April edition of the Caxton FX economic report now available to download from SMMT website

The April edition of the Caxton FX Currency report is now available to download. It offers an overview of Q1 2012 international economic performance with a forecast for performance over the coming months. The report is only available to SMMT members from the member services area of the SMMT website.

## Type Approval compliance deadline

### SMMT supports industry as first mandatory Type Approval deadline approaches



The first of this year's mandatory compliance dates for the next stage of European Whole Vehicle Type Approval (EWVTA) legislation is rapidly approaching and SMMT is committed to helping industry through the upcoming transition.

In order to ensure the correct resources are implemented at the VCA to aid a smooth application process and to reduce the lead-times involved, SMMT has launched a survey, aimed at trailer manufacturers, to better understand the scale of companies seeking approval and determine the current level of industry understanding.

The online survey takes no longer than five minutes to complete and responses remain anonymous – SMMT will issue the findings later this year.

➤ To take the survey, click [here](#).

## SMMT leads industry's call for more accessible supply chain finance

### SMMT has launched a study into accessible finance for supply chain companies

The SMMT has launched a study to improve the finance sector's understanding of how companies in the UK automotive supply chain operate, with the aim of understanding which finance products better meet their needs.

Working with the Smith Institute, the study will assess the financial relationship of UK-based OEMs to Tier 1 companies and across the UK supply chain sector. The report will provide recommendations to better support business growth and will be launched in June at events in the West Midlands and London.

For more information, contact Kate Owen, e-mail [kowen@smmt.co.uk](mailto:kowen@smmt.co.uk).

## New app for CV Show 2012 Event

### The CV Show LLP has launched a free, downloadable app for this year's Show

Downloadable for free from [www.cvshow.com](http://www.cvshow.com), the app is designed to work across iPad, iPhone, desktop and Android devices, giving show visitors a detailed list of exhibitors' contact details with web links and company information.

It includes a complete CV Show 2012 floor plan and has been built to download onto smartphones or tablet and functions offline as well as when connected to mobile or wi-fi networks.

## Corporate room hire at the SMMT

### Contemporary conference and meeting facilities at SMMT's central London Westminster office

Within easy walking distance of St James's Park and Westminster tube stations and Victoria mainline railway station, 71 Great Peter Street has excellent transport links for visitors from across London and further afield.

The seven meeting rooms can accommodate groups from eight to 80 people in combinations of boardroom and theatre-style layouts and there are discounted rates for SMMT members.



➤ To download the corporate brochure for room rates, click [here](#).