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The [European Green Cars Initiative](#) [1] is one of the three Public Private Partnerships (PPP) of the European Economic Recovery Plan announced by the Commission on the 26th of November 2008.

The objective of the initiative is to support R&D on technologies and infrastructures that are essential for achieving breakthroughs in the use of renewable and non-polluting energy sources, safety and traffic fluidity.

ICT components play an increasingly important role in electric vehicles, with applications ranging from electric powertrains and battery management, to smart, cooperative mobility systems.

As a result of the four calls for proposals published from 2009-2012 with a total indicative budget of €120 million, over 30 R&D projects were selected for funding.

The Green Car ICT programme has brought research and the full industrial vehicle value chain together. Its results will contribute to upcoming vehicle electrification and ultimately to a more sustainable and greener mobility in Europe, increasing the quality of life of its citizens while improving the competitiveness of the European ICT and automotive industries.

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