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INITIATION OF AN ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATION ON IMPORTS OF CERAMIC TILES FROM INDIA AND TURKEY

The European Union [published](#) today the notice of initiation of an anti-dumping investigation on imports of ceramic tiles originating from India and Turkey. CET/Cerame-Unie welcomes the opening of the investigation and calls on the Commission to adopt the necessary measures to redress the injury caused by unfair trading practices in third countries.

An anti-dumping investigation on imports of ceramic tiles from India and Turkey has been initiated today by the European Commission Directorate-General for Trade (DG TRADE), following the complaint submitted by the European Ceramic Tile Manufacturers' Federation (CET) on 3 November 2021.

The EU ceramic tiles industry represents an annual turnover of EUR 9.7 billion, with manufacturers in 25 EU countries providing 55,000 direct jobs. 80% of the industry is composed of SMEs playing an essential role in employment at local level. The EU industry is globally renowned for its quality, advanced production technologies and innovation & design.

The industry provided the Commission with *prima facie* evidence of dumping and injury and “we greatly welcome the Commission’s decision to initiate an anti-dumping investigation based on these elements” stated Roman Blažiček, President of CET.

As highlighted in the New Ceramic Roadmap to 2050 published on 17 November and available [here](#), the ceramic industry will play an essential role for the EU to deliver on the green transition and to achieve carbon neutrality in 2050 while preserving its autonomy. For Alain Delcourt, President of Cerame-Unie, “an effective use of trade instruments by the EU to ensure a fair level playing field is an absolute necessity to enable a just transition”.

The European Commission will investigate the dumping allegations covering the period 1 July 2020 – 30 June 2021. The EU industry looks forward to the next steps in the investigation and to cooperating in the proceedings.

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