

Hannah's Insights

Wage Protection Does Not Actually Protect the Employee

by Hannah Wise, our external editor



In times of economic difficulty, it's tempting for the state to step in to protect things like employees. But can measures such as the minimum wage prevent poverty? In her video, Hannah explains why this is not the case and why state intervention is not the way forward.

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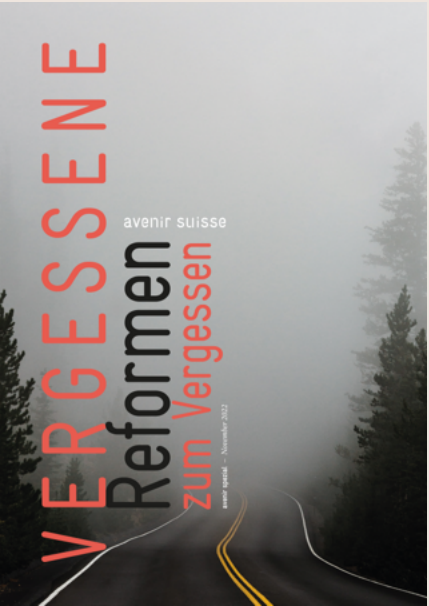


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by Marco Salvi, Patrick Leisibach and Patrick Schnell

The flexible labor market is essential in Switzerland's success – but the regulatory elements are getting out of hand: the growing willingness of the state to intervene in the wage formation process with cantonal minimum wages and generally binding collective labor agreements. Avenir Suisse questions the importance of the wage protections.

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by Avenir Suisse

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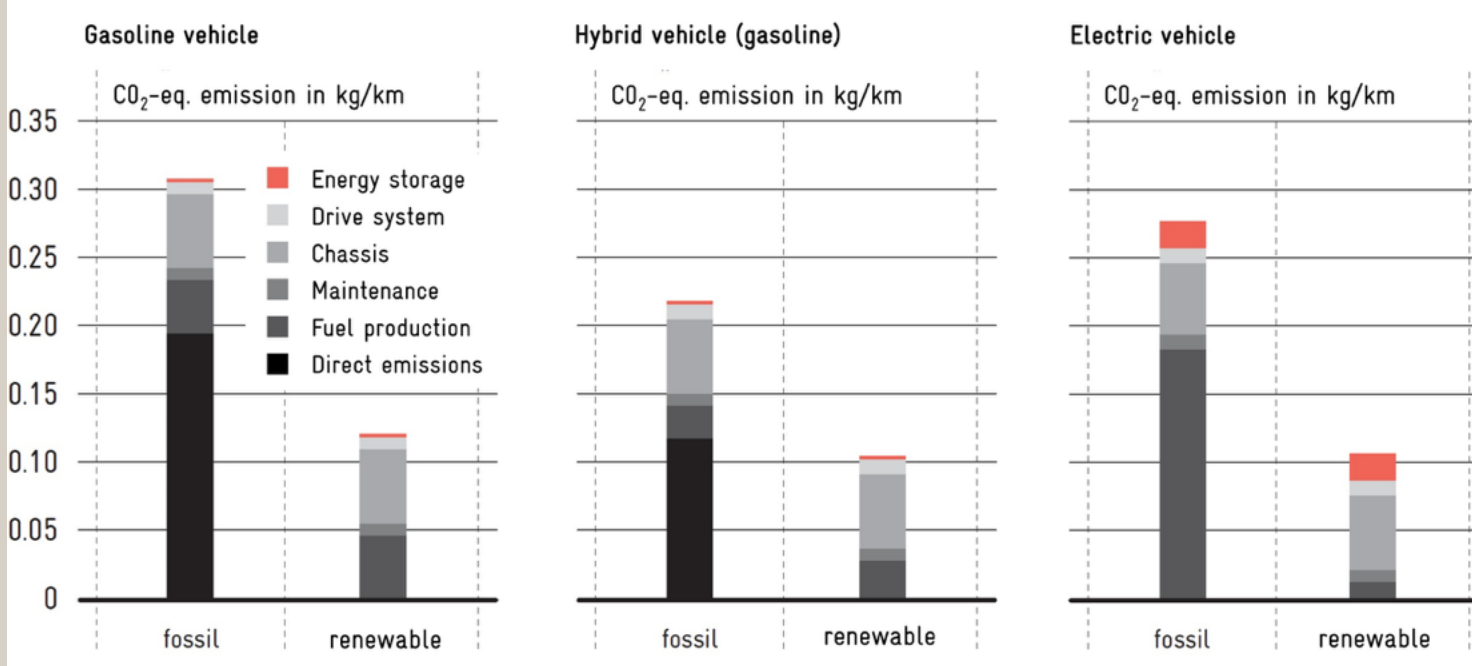
Pension provision is the wrong place to address problems such as non-family childcare, the lack of individual taxation, or barriers to work-life balance. These problems need to be addressed at the root, not after 40 years on the job. Pension supplements distributed according to the watering can principle and financed by the pay-as-you-go system must also be avoided in the name of generation solidarity.

Green Light for e-Fuels

The EU has decided on a back door that will enable passenger cars to run on e-fuels after 2035. This is the right decision, because exponents who believe the case for technology openness is outmoded and that e-fuels are not fit for purpose are overlooking some important points.

Internal Combustion Engines Are Not Inferior to Electric Motors a Priori

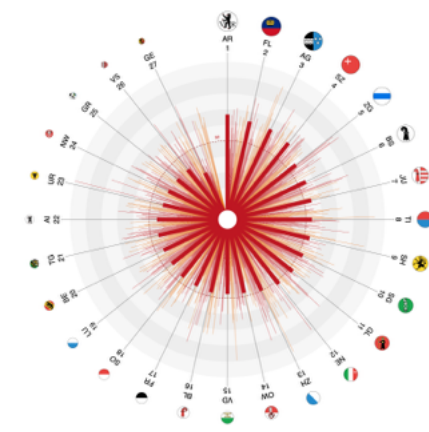
The decisive factor in the life cycle emissions of automobiles is not the drive technology per se, but whether the fuel is made from renewable resources. Until now, this was not the case for hydrocarbons (gasoline & co.) by definition, so to speak, since carbon extracted from the earth's crust was released into the atmosphere. This will change with the production of e-fuels. In the future, therefore, internal combustion engines will be able to perform just as well as electric motors in terms of their carbon footprint.



Source: Calculator, PSI

Chart: Avenir Suisse

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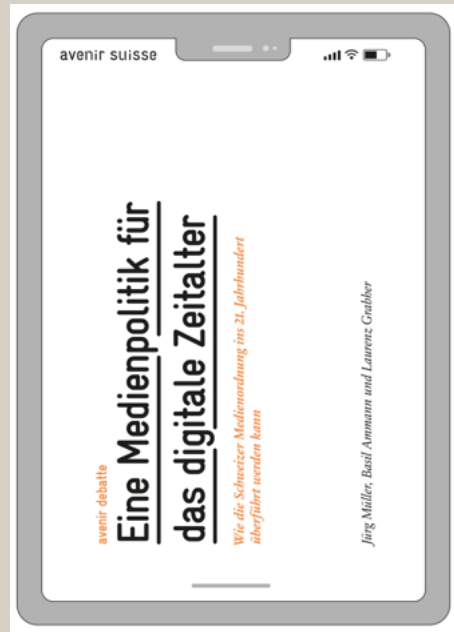


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by Mario Bonato and Samuel Rutz

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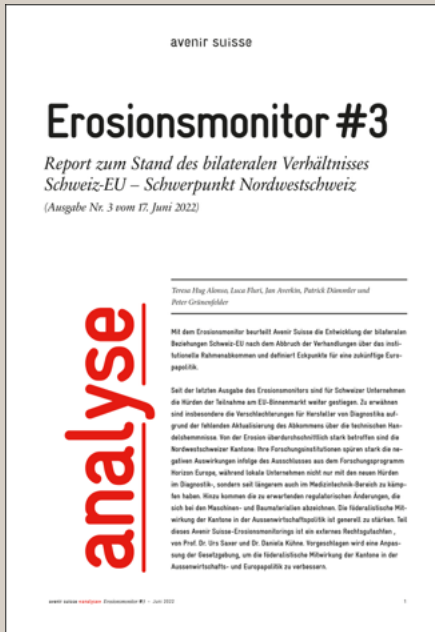
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