

## **EU Passenger Car Registrations: 8.7% in January 2013**

Brussels, 19/02/2013 – In January, demand for new cars declined by 8.7% in the EU\*. New registrations amounted to 885,159 units, reaching a historic low recorded for a month of January, since the start of the series in 1990. Looking at the major markets, only the UK posted growth (+11.5%), while downturn prevailed in Germany (-8.6%), Spain (-9.6%), France (-15.1%) and Italy (-17.6%). In absolute figures, Germany remained the largest market with 192,090 new registrations, followed by the UK (143,643 units), France (124,798) and Italy (113,525). Spain registered 49,671 new cars, which was slightly less than Belgium (50,684 units). \* EU27, data for Malta unavailable