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Automotive data at scale

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This week in 60 seconds

Automotive data sharing in Europe is growing beyond individual use cases.
More companies are exchanging data, more businesses depend on access, and the challenge is increasingly about making those relationships work at scale.

01 AUTOMOTIVE DATA SHARING IS SCALING

Catena-X now reports more than 1,000 companies actively exchanging data across its automotive network, up from 182 in December 2025. The shift from individual data-sharing projects towards infrastructure at scale is becoming visible.

02 THE AFTERMARKET QUESTION IS CHANGING

At Automechanika Frankfurt, discussions around connected vehicle data increasingly focused on how data is accessed, its quality and its cost, rather than whether access is needed at all.

03 THE NUMBER OF DATA RELATIONSHIPS IS GROWING

OEMs, suppliers, aftermarket providers, insurers, remanufacturers and other third parties are becoming part of an increasingly connected automotive data landscape. More participants also mean more relationships around access, verification and delivery.

As automotive data sharing scales, access itself becomes infrastructure.

What this means for Biner Data

As automotive data sharing grows, the challenge is no longer only enabling access. It is managing more participants, more relationships and more data flows without adding complexity.

01 MORE RELATIONSHIPS TO MANAGE

As more Data Holders and Data Recipients participate in regulated data sharing, the number of access relationships grows with them.

02 DIFFERENT RECIPIENTS, DIFFERENT NEEDS

Repair networks, diagnostic providers, remanufacturers, insurers and other data recipients may need different data for different purposes. Access cannot be treated as one identical request.

03 ACCESS NEEDS TO SCALE

Managing verification, agreements, delivery and documentation separately for every relationship becomes increasingly complex as the network grows.

Biner Data provides the operating layer between Data Holders and Data Recipients, so regulated access can scale without the administration scaling with it.

Automotive data sharing is reaching scale

Catena-X now reports more than 1,000 companies exchanging data across its automotive network. In December 2025, that number was 182.

DEC 2025

182 companies

Exchanging data across the Catena-X network.

SEP 2026

1,000+ companies

Now participating in active data exchange.

Automotive data sharing is scaling.
The processes around access need to scale with it.

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The aftermarket question is changing.



At Automechanika Frankfurt 2026, CARUSO reported a noticeable shift in the conversation around connected vehicle data. The question was no longer simply whether the independent aftermarket needs vehicle data, but how it can be accessed, at what quality and at what cost.

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01 WHY IT MATTERS

For the independent aftermarket, access to vehicle data is becoming a practical business question. Having a use case for data is one thing. Having a workable route to access it is another.

02 THE BIGGER QUESTION

As more Data Recipients depend on vehicle data, how can access be managed across a growing number of companies and use cases?

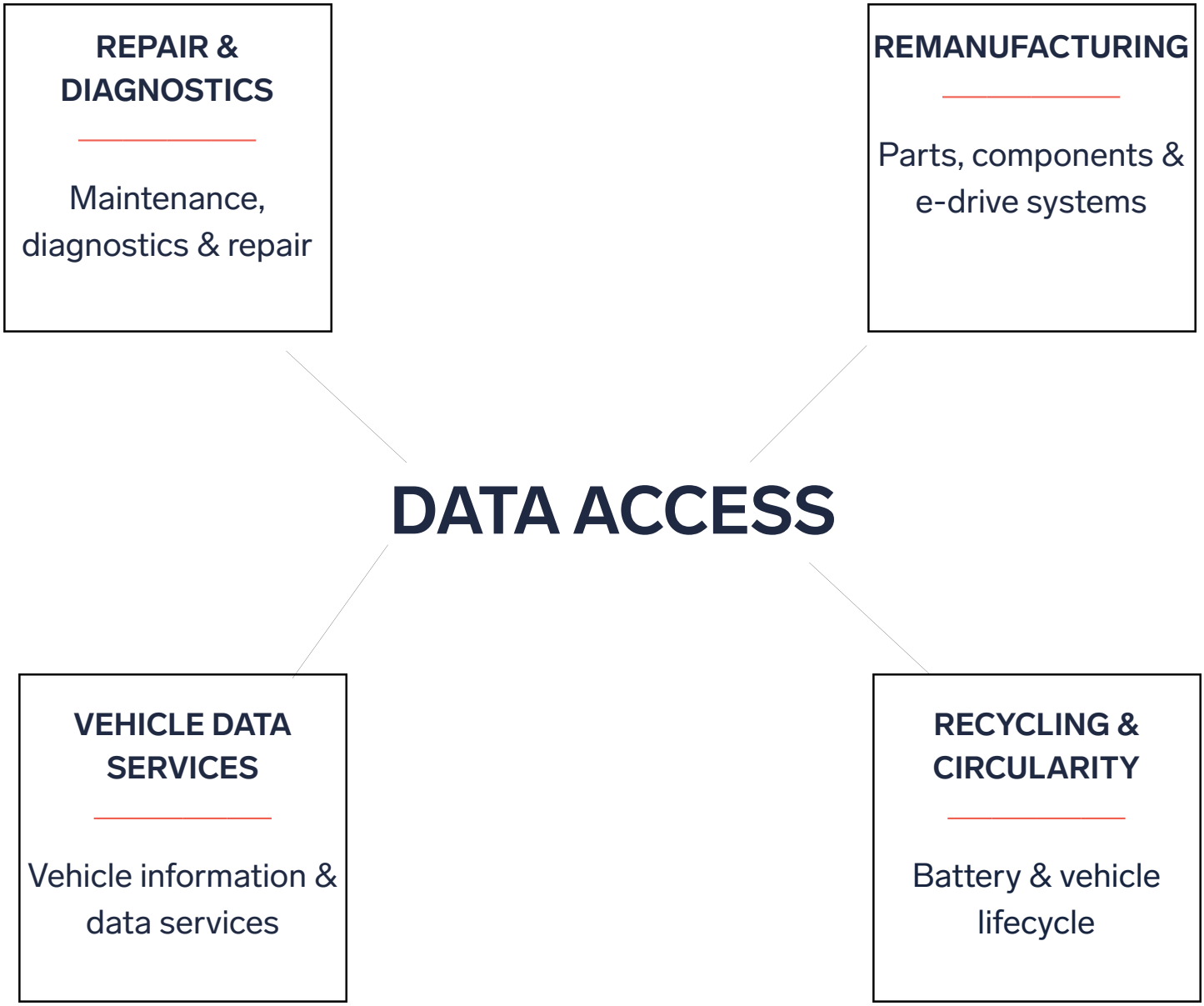
The question is no longer only whether data is needed.
It is how access works in practice.

DATA RECIPIENTS

One data landscape.

Many different needs.

Automotive data is relevant to businesses across the vehicle lifecycle. Who needs access, and for what purpose, can vary significantly.



Different recipients. Different purposes.
One need for structured access.

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THE BIGGER PICTURE

Automotive data is scaling. Access needs to scale with it.

As more companies exchange data and more types of Data Recipients enter the landscape, the challenge is no longer only making access possible. It is making access work across a growing number of relationships, use cases and organisations.

That is where structured access becomes infrastructure.

SOURCES & NOTES
MARKET INTELLIGENCE

Catena-X Automotive Network

Catena-X network grows by more than a factor of five to over 1,000 companies, September 2026.
1,069 OEMs and suppliers exchanging data, up from 182 in December 2025.

CARUSO Dataplace

Automechanika Frankfurt 2026, 28 September 2026.
Observations on vehicle-data access, quality and pricing in the independent aftermarket.

EU REGULATION & GUIDANCE

European Commission / EUR-Lex

Guidance on vehicle data accompanying Regulation (EU) 2023/2854 (Data Act), September 2025.
Guidance on vehicle-data access for automotive stakeholders and third parties

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