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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the seventy-fifth session*

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva starting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 24 April 2024** in Salle IX

I. Provisional Agenda

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 - (a) The Inland Transport Committee Strategy on reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Inland Transport
 - (b) Review of the mandate of the Working Party on Transport Statistics
4. Electric vehicle charging infrastructure data collection.
5. Data collection, methodological development and harmonization of transport statistics:
 - (a) Common questionnaire;
 - (b) Data collection on new mobility and active modes

* Delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Sustainable Transport Division's website: <https://unece.org/info/Transport/Transport-Statistics/events/384660>.

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- (c) Data collection on cycling infrastructure
- 6. Innovation in transport statistics production.
- 7. Statistical activities of member States.
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 - (a) 2020 E-Road and E-Rail traffic censuses
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 - (a) Date of next session;
 - (b) Information on upcoming meetings on transport statistics.
- 13. Election of officers.
- 14. Summary of decisions.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, the first item to be considered is the adoption of the agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/186

2. Monitoring of transport-related Sustainable Development Goals

As we progress with the implementation period of the 2030 development agenda, it remains crucial to persist in our stocktaking efforts in the transport sector within the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) region. Building on the discussions from the 2023 session, this agenda item will focus on data collection and monitoring activities, incorporating the additional indicators that were decided upon at the previous session: i) Percentage of new passenger cars that are zero emission; ii) Trends in new passenger car vehicle weight, and iii) Breakdown of road fatalities by type of road user. Member States and other relevant actors will share their experiences and progress in tracking these indicators, as well as discuss any other activities related to monitoring the transport-related Sustainable Development Goals through an indicator-based approach.

There may be presentations from some of the custodian agencies of the transport-related Sustainable Development Goal indicators, as well as other relevant actors.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/1; ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/2

3. The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Inland Transport Committee and its subsidiary bodies

(a) The Inland Transport Committee Strategy on Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Inland Transport

The Working Party will be provided with updates on the input it contributed to the Inland Transport Committee Strategy on Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Inland Transport. These contributions were submitted by the Chair of the Working Party in September 2023. Furthermore, the impact of the Strategy on the Working Party's future works will be discussed.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/3

(b) Review of the mandate of the Working Party on Transport Statistics

The Working Party will be informed about the outcomes of the eighty-sixth session of the Inland Transport Committee, held from 20 to 23 February 2024. Additionally, details regarding the review of the Working Party's mandate, which was submitted to the Inland Transport Committee secretariat, will be shared.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/11

4. Electric vehicle charging infrastructure data collection

The secretariat will update on the results of the discussions held at the Roundtable on Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Data Collection held virtually on 9 November 2023. The

Working Party will explore the feasibility of incorporating the data collection of electric vehicle charging infrastructure into the Common Questionnaire. This effort is also welcomed by the Inland Transport Committee during its 86th session.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/5

5. Data collection, methodological development and harmonization of transport statistics

(a) Common questionnaire

This agenda item will discuss the availability of data obtained through the Common Questionnaire. Additionally, the Working Party will be briefed on the efforts to enhance response rates and improve the data quality. A particular focus will be on the proposed streamlining exercise, which involves re-evaluating the current indicators, discontinuing select ones, and introducing new indicators. The new additions are particularly significant as they cover emerging areas such as data on new mobility and active modes, cycling infrastructure, and electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/6

(b) Data collection on new mobility and active modes

The Working Party will be updated on developments in emerging mobility data collection, which includes diverse concepts and services such as ridesourcing, ridepooling, fleet sharing, as well as active modes (cycling and walking). These data are currently not included in the Common Questionnaire as they are often not collected by national statistical offices. The Working party may wish to discuss the implications of this effort for its work.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/7

(c) Data collection on cycling infrastructure

The Working Party will be updated on the efforts towards standardized data collection on cycling infrastructure across the ECE region by the Group of Experts on cycling infrastructure module (GE.5). The Working Party is encouraged to consider integrating the relevant new definitions and metrics into its data collection practices.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/8

6. Innovation in transport statistics production

This agenda item provides an opportunity for member States to share their experiences in leveraging innovative data sources for transport statistics production. The secretariat will update member States on the progress and efforts made by various institutions in this area of innovation. Additionally, the United Kingdom will present its innovative ‘connectivity’ analysis, which aims to assess and score different localities based on their access to key services, utilising data from actual transport journeys.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/4

7. Statistical activities of member States

This standing agenda item allows member States to share their current and future activities in the field of transport statistics. Any presentations of current projects and plans for the

future are welcome. Delegates are encouraged to discuss their planned interventions with the secretariat beforehand.

8. Traffic censuses

(a) 2020 E-Road and E-Rail traffic censuses

The Secretariat will provide an update on the data received thus far regarding the 2020 E-Road and E-Rail traffic censuses.

(b) Countries' experience

Poland will present its methodology employed for road traffic census through network segmentation, from which member States may learn valuable insights that could prove useful for the 2025 UNECE E-Road traffic census.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/10

9. Dissemination of transport statistics by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

The Working Party will be informed about the status of the ECE database on transport statistics, the release of the publication “2023 Statistics of Road Traffic Accidents”, and the development of the publication “2023 Inland Transport Statistics”. In addition, the secretariat will update on the progress made in developing the Sustainable Development Goals microsite. Short country interventions on their own dissemination strategies and products are welcome.

The Working Party may consider the establishment of a wiki-style webpage dedicated to the Glossary for Transport Statistics. This approach, as opposed to static online publication, offers greater flexibility for incorporating and managing new terms and definitions.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/9

10. Programme of work 2024–2026 and biennial evaluation 2022–2024

A biennial programme of work will be formulated for the approval of the Working Party, aimed at facilitating programming and monitoring. This programme will encompass the period from April 2024 to April 2026. In addition, the biennial evaluation for 2022–2024 will be prepared for adoption by the Working Party.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2024/12

11. Statistical activities of international organizations of interest to the Working Party

The Working Party may wish to receive reports from representatives of international organizations of interest to the Working Party on their current and future activities in the field of transport statistics.

12. Other business

(a) Date of next session

The seventy-fourth session of the working party is tentatively scheduled for 21 to 23 May 2025 at the Palais des Nations (Geneva).

(b) Information on upcoming meetings on transport statistics

The Working Party will be informed about dates and locations of upcoming meetings on transport statistics in 2024 and 2025.

13. Election of officers

In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure and established practice, the Working Party will elect a Chair and Vice-Chairs to preside over the session in 2025 and 2026.

14. Summary of decisions

In line with established practice and in accordance with the decision of the Inland Transport Committee (ECE/TRANS/156, para. 6), at the end of the session, the Chair will make a summary of the decisions taken. Following the session, the ECE secretariat, in cooperation with the Chair, will draw up a report on the outcome of the session.
