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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the fifty-third session^{*,**}

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday,
27 June 2018

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Outcome of the International Ministerial Conference “Connecting by Inland Navigation” (Wroclaw, Poland, 18-19 April 2018).
3. Inland waterways infrastructure:
 - (a) European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance;

* For reasons of economy, 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 http://www.unece.org/trans/main/sc3/wp3/wp3doc_2018.html. During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations).

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- (b) Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (“Blue Book”);
 - (c) Inventory of Most Important Bottlenecks and Missing Links in the E Waterway Network (Resolution No. 49, revision 2);
 - (d) Map of the European Inland Waterway Network (Resolution No. 30).
4. Standardization of technical and safety requirements in inland navigation:
- (a) European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI) (Resolution No. 24, revision 5);
 - (b) Signs and Signals on Inland Waterways (SIGNI) (Resolution No. 22, revision 2);
 - (c) Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (Resolution No. 61, revised).
5. Promotion of River Information Services and other Information and Communication Technologies in inland navigation:
- (a) Guidelines and Recommendations for River Information Services (Resolution No. 57);
 - (b) Application of Inland Automatic Identification System;
 - (c) Updating the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Resolutions of relevance to River Information Services.
6. Mutual recognition of boatmasters’ certificates and professional requirements in inland navigation.
7. Terms and definitions related to inland water transport.
8. Recreational navigation:
- (a) International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft (Resolution No. 40, fourth revision) and the Guidelines to Resolution No. 40;
 - (b) European Recreational Inland Navigation Network (Resolution No. 52, revised).
9. Other business.
10. Adoption of the report.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation, hereafter the Working Party or SC.3/WP.3, may wish to adopt the agenda of its fifty-third session on the basis of the provisional agenda supplemented by the list of working and informal documents as set out in Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 13 (2018).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/105, Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 13 (2018)

2. Outcome of the International Ministerial Conference “Connecting by Inland Navigation” (Wroclaw, Poland, 18-19 April 2018)

The Working Party will be informed about the outcome of the International Ministerial Conference “Connecting by Inland Navigation” held in Wroclaw, Poland, on 18-19 April 2018, and may wish to discuss the follow-up of the Ministerial Declaration adopted at the Conference (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/8/Rev.1) and recommend possible actions for the Working Party on Inland Water Transport (SC.3) in this respect.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/8/Rev.1

3. Inland waterways infrastructure

(a) European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance

The Working Party will be informed about the current status of the package of amendments to the European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN) adopted by SC.3 at its sixty-first session as stated in Depository Notification C.N.56.2018.TREATIES-XI.D.5 (Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 14 (2018)).

Member States may wish to inform the Working Party about the progress in the implementation of AGN.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/120/Rev.3, Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 14 (2018)

(b) Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (“Blue Book”)

The Working Party may wish to consider and preliminarily approve draft amendments to the Blue Book submitted by member States (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/11).

Member States and other stakeholders are invited to report on the current progress in inland waterway infrastructure development projects.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/144/Rev.3, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/11

(c) **Inventory of Most Important Bottlenecks and Missing Links in the E Waterway Network (Resolution No. 49, revision 2)**

SC.3/WP.3 will be informed about the outcome of consultations between the secretariat and the European Commission on mainstreaming Resolution No. 49 with Regulation (EU) No. 1315/2013.

The Working Party may wish to consider and preliminarily approve draft amendments to the Inventory of Most Important Bottlenecks and Missing Links in the E Waterway Network submitted by member States (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/11).

Member States may wish to report on the progress and possible amendments to Resolution No. 49, revision 2.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/159/Rev.2, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/11

(d) **Map of the European Inland Waterway Network (Resolution No. 30)**

The Working Party will be informed about the electronic edition of the updated map of the European Inland Waterway Network in accordance with Resolution No. 30.¹ The updated map is amended in accordance with the third revision of AGN and its last amendments adopted by SC.3 (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2017/3). The Working Party may wish to provide guidance on possible improvements to the electronic map.

4. Standardization of technical and safety requirements in inland navigation

(a) **European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI) (Resolution No. 24, revision 5)**

The Working Party may wish to consider the report of the twenty-seventh meeting of the CEVNI Expert Group held on 13 February 2018 and preliminarily approve the draft amendments to CEVNI proposed by the Group (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/12).

The Working Party will be informed about the outcome of the twenty-eighth meeting of the CEVNI Expert Group (26 June 2018).

SC.3/WP.3 will be informed about the publication “Implementation of CEVNI Revision 5” (ECE/TRANS/266).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/115/Rev.5 and Amend.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/12

(b) **Signs and Signals on Inland Waterways (SIGNI) (Resolution No. 22, revision 2)**

As decided at its fifty-second session, SC.3/WP.3 may wish to consider the IALA Guidelines on the “Selection of rhythmic characters and synchronization of lights for aids to navigation of the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA) (G1116, December 2016)” as a basis for possible amendments to SIGNI (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/13).

The Working Party may wish to discuss draft proposals for amending SIGNI discussed by the CEVNI Expert Group at the twenty-eighth meeting (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/14) and take note of the conclusions made by the Group.

¹ Available online at http://tiny.cc/agn_map (temporary link)

The Working Party may wish to finalize the draft of SIGNI as reproduced in ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2017/11/Rev.1 considering the decisions taken at the present session, and transmit it to SC.3 for adoption.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/108/Rev.2, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2017/11/Rev.1,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2017/12, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/3,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/4, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/13,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/14

(c) Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (Resolution No. 61, revised)

At its fifty-second session, the Working Party decided to postpone to its next session the discussions on the amendment proposals to Resolution No. 61 (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2015/8, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2015/9 and ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/5) and the proposals for harmonizing the technical prescriptions for inland vessels in Resolution No. 61 with the European Standard laying down Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation vessels (ES-TRIN) (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2017/8, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2017/14, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2017/15, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2017/16, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/6).

The Working Party may wish to continue the discussion on aligning Resolution No. 61 with the 2017 edition of ES-TRIN prepared by the European Committee for drawing up Standards in the field of Inland Navigation (CESNI), on the basis of documents ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/6 and ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/15.

The secretariat will inform the Working Party about the consolidated version of the 2015 edition of ES-TRIN in the Russian language.

The Working Party may wish to consider document ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/16 transmitted by the Confederation of European Maritime Technology Societies (CEMT) and discuss the formulation of new requirements for units with specific characteristics independent from the navigation zones (in particular, for day trip vessels not exceeding 24 metres in length and authorized to carry up to a maximum of 150 passengers) (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/16).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/172/Rev.1 and Amends.1-4, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2015/8,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2015/9, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2017/8, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2017/14,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2017/15, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2017/14,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2017/15, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2017/16,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/5, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/6,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/7, Informal document SC.3 No. 3 (2017),
Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 7 (2017), Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 2 (2018),
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/15, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/16

5. Promotion of River Information Services and other Information and Communication Technologies in inland navigation

(a) Guidelines and Recommendations for River Information Services (Resolution No. 57)

The Working Party will be informed about the status of the River Information Services (RIS) Guidelines of the World Association for Waterborne Transport Infrastructure (PIANC) (edition 2018) currently being prepared by PIANC Working Group 125.

SC.3/WP.3 may wish to start updating Resolution No. 57 on the basis of the revised PIANC RIS Guidelines.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/165/Rev.1 and Amend.1

(b) Application of Inland Automatic Identification System

The Working Party will be informed about the application of Inland Automatic Identification System (AIS) by member States, in particular, the evaluation of answers to the questionnaire on the obligation of fitting inland vessels with an Inland AIS device and a chart display system circulated by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR).

(c) Updating the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Resolutions of relevance to River Information Services

The Working Party will be informed about the current status and updates to the Recommendations on electronic chart display and information system for inland navigation (Inland ECDIS) (Resolution No. 48), the International Standard for Tracking and Tracing on Inland Waterways (VTT) (Resolution No. 63), the International Standard for Electronic Ship Reporting in Inland Navigation (Resolution No. 79) and the International Standard for Notices to Skippers (Resolution No. 80). Based on this progress, SC.3/WP.3 may wish to consider updating Resolutions Nos. 48, 63, 79 and 80 in cooperation with the International RIS Expert Groups.

The Working Party may wish to exchange information about the implementation of RIS by Governments and River Commissions.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/156/Rev.3, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/176/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/198, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/199, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2016/6/Rev.1

6. Mutual recognition of boatmasters' certificates and professional requirements in inland navigation

SC.3/WP.3 will be informed about progress reached in the implementation of Directive (EU) 2017/2397 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 on the recognition of professional qualifications in inland navigation and repealing Council Directives 91/672/EEC and 96/50/EC, and related issues.

7. Terms and definitions related to inland water transport

At its fifty-second session, the Working Party agreed to consider the document on the terminology related to inland water transport, prepared by the Group of Experts on Benchmarking Transport Infrastructure Construction Costs (ECE/TRANS/WP.5/GE.4/2018/3) and provide a feedback to the Group for its further work on this issue.

The Working Party may wish to consider the terminologies used in the ECE region for estimating construction costs of inland waterways on the basis of the questionnaire sent to member States and River Commissions.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.5/GE.4/2018/3

8. Recreational navigation

(a) International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft (Resolution No. 40, fourth revision) and the Guidelines to Resolution No. 40

The Working Party will be informed by the secretariat about the publication of the revised Guidelines to Resolution No. 40, adopted at the sixty-first session of SC.3, in three languages (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/205, para. 88).

Member States may wish to update the information contained in Annex IV to Resolution No. 40, revision 4, if necessary.

SC.3/WP.3 may wish to note the progress reached in the development of the online database of specimens of the International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/147/Rev.4 and Amend.1

(b) European Recreational Inland Navigation Network (Resolution No. 52, revised)

The Working Party may wish to preliminarily approve the map of the European Recreational Inland Navigation Network (AGNP), as amended at its fifty-second session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/9 and Informal document SC.3/WP.3 (2018) No. 15).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/164/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2018/9, Informal document SC.3/WP.3 (2018) No. 15

9. Other business

The Working Party will be informed by the secretariat about a workshop held by the Working Party on Transport Statistics (WP.6) (12-14 June 2018) dedicated to inland waterway statistics.

10. Adoption of the report

In accordance with established practice, SC.3/WP.3 will adopt the decisions taken at its fifty-third session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.

III. Tentative timetable

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Activities</i>
Wednesday, 27 June 2018	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Agenda items 1 - 3
	3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	Agenda items 4 - 5
Thursday, 28 June 2018	9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.	Agenda items 6 - 7
	2.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.	Agenda items 8 - 9
Friday, 29 June 2018	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Agenda item 10 (adoption of the report)
