



United Nations Road Safety Trust Fund
Steering Committee
Seventh session
6 October 2020

Annotated provisional agenda for the seventh session

To be held via videoconference from the Palais des Nations, Geneva, at 1.30 p.m. CEST on Tuesday, 6 October 2020.

Annotated provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Steering Committee will be invited to adopt the agenda of its seventh session (UNRSTF/SC/13).

Documentation: UNRSTF/SC/13

2. 2020 Call for Proposals

The Advisory Board decided to open the 2020 Call for Proposals at its fourth session on 8 July 2020 by prioritizing projects that have a real and significant impact on road safety in low- and middle-income countries (UNRSTF/AB/8). The Board agreed that the specific thematic areas for the 2020 Call for Proposals would be determined by the Steering Committee based on likelihood of impact through alignment with national priorities, opportunities for synergies and avoiding duplications with other road safety funds and programmes. The Advisory Board also emphasized the importance of partnerships and leveraging other resources, including co-financing in selecting new projects under the 2020 Call for Proposals.

At its sixth session on 9 July 2020, the Steering Committee issued a decision on the funding cycle (UNRSTF/SC/12) requested the secretariat to convene a financing coordination meeting with other road safety funds and programmes to assess their programmes for 2020 and beyond. This would form the basis for the Committee to determine the specific thematic areas for the 2020 Call for Proposals.

The secretariat will present two key documents under this agenda item: (i) the report of the financing coordination meeting that took place on 23 July 2020 (UNRSTF/SC/2020(4)/1) and (ii) the draft 2020 Call for Proposals package following the guidance of the Advisory Board and the Steering Committee from previous sessions, including on the revised application appraisal process (UNRSTF/SC/2020(4)/2).

The Steering Committee will be invited to provide a decision allowing the secretariat to proceed with issuing the 2020 Call for Proposals, including the implementation of any Advisory Board guidance under this agenda item.

Documentation: UNRSTF/SC/2020(4)/1, UNRSTF/SC/2020(4)/2, UNRSTF/AB/8 and UNRSTF/SC/12.

3. Project amendment

The Steering Committee selected 10 projects from the 73 applications received for the 2019 Call for Proposals at its fourth session on 14 February 2020. This including the ECLAC-implemented "Speed Management project in Latin America: the case of Argentina," which received the fund disbursement of its US\$ 300,000 budget from the Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF) Office on 10 July 2020. The project involved the transfer of more than half of the budget, US\$ 170,000, to an NGO (Redux Council) for implementation.

The secretariat was informed by ECLAC on 2 September 2020 that due to UN Rules and Regulations, Redux Council will not be eligible for an institutional contract with ECLAC. Instead, ECLAC requests exceptional authorization to redeploy the funds allotted in "transfers and grants counterparts" to the budget line for "staff and other personnel costs", in order to be able to hire the consultancy services to implement the project. The justification for this change and the

revised project document will be presented by the secretariat under this agenda item (UNRSTF/SC/2020(4)/3).

According to the UNRSTF Operations Manual, paragraph G3, this request would qualify as a project amendment, which need to be approved by the Steering Committee. It is also worth noting that this amendment would exceed the 20% budget cap that was set for the 2019 Call for Proposals in the “staff and other personnel costs.”

Documentation: UNRSTF/SC/2020(4)/3

4. Other business

The Steering Committee may wish to discuss any other matters.

5. Date and Place of the next session

The Steering Committee will decide the date and place of the next session.

6. Adoption of the decisions

The Steering Committee will consider and adopt the list of decisions of its seventh session (UNRSTF/SC/14).

Tentative timetable

13.30-13.35	Adoption of the Agenda
13.35-15.15	2020 Call for Proposals
15.15-15.30	Project amendment
15.30-15.45	Other Business, Date and Place of the next session
15.45-16.00	Adoption of decisions
