Economic Commission for Europe
UNECE Executive Committee
Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business

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Item 11 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of draft decisions of the twentieth session

Decisions of the Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business on its twentieth session

Adoption of the agenda (agenda item 1)

Decision 1: The Plenary adopted the amended agenda (Decision 14-01).

Matters arising since the nineteenth session (agenda item 2)

Decision 2: The Plenary took note of the report on matters arising and requested the secretariat to report on matters arising for the 21st session (Decision 14-02).

Reports of Rapporteurs (agenda item 4)

Decision 3: The Plenary took note of the reports of the Rapporteurs for Africa and for Asia and the Pacific and requested them to provide reports again at the 21st session (Decision 14-03).

Recommendations and standards (agenda item 5)

Decision 4: The Plenary approved Revised Recommendation 14 on Authentication of Trade Documents and its annexes (Decision 14-04).

Decision 5: The Plenary took note of the revised and updated recommendations and standards presented by the secretariat (Decision 14-05).
UN/CEFACT structure, mandate, terms of reference, and procedures (agenda item 6)

Decision 6: The Plenary took note of the revised “UN/CEFACT structure, mandate, terms of reference, and procedures” (ECE/TRADE/C/CEFACT/2010/15/Rev.5) (Decision 14-06).

Decision 7: The Plenary agreed that the “UN/CEFACT structure, mandate, terms of reference, and procedures” would be updated intersessionally to strengthen and clarify Bureau election procedure (Decision 14-07).

Strategic directions (agenda item 8)

Decision 8: The Plenary agreed that the UN/CEFACT integrated strategy (ECE/TRADE/C/CEFACT/2014/7) required further work and should be a priority for the new Bureau (Decision 14-08).

Decision 9: The Plenary approved the UN/CEFACT Programme of Work for 2014 (ECE/TRADE/C/CEFACT/2014/8) and agreed that this would be further developed to reflect emerging priorities in 2015-2016 (Decision 14-09).

Elections (agenda item 9)

Decision 10: Following a secret ballot with nine candidates, the Plenary elected the following Vice Chairs for the period 2014-2017: Mr. Raffaele Fantetti (Italy), Mr. Anders Grangård (Sweden), Ms. Estelle Igwe (Nigeria), Mr. Tahseen Khan (India), Lance Thompson (United States of America) and Mr. Harm Jan van Burg (Netherlands) (Decision 14-10).

Adoption of decisions and provisional draft report of the twentieth session (agenda item 11)

Decision 11: The Plenary adopted the decisions made during the twentieth session (Decision 14-11).

Decision 12: The Plenary requested the secretariat to prepare the report of the twentieth session in the three official languages as soon as possible (Decision 14-12).