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Transport of Dangerous Goods – Global and Regional Dimensions

Note by the secretariat

1. The Bureau of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Inland Transport Committee (ITC) has selected "Transport of Dangerous Goods: Global and regional dimensions" as the theme of its policy-oriented segment (round table) for its 73rd session.
2. The secretariat has sought, through information of all organs dealing with transport of dangerous goods serviced by the UNECE secretariat, and through calls of papers, contributions from UNECE and non-UNECE countries, intergovernmental organizations, NGOs or the private sector presenting their vision of future developments, challenges and opportunities regarding the transport of dangerous goods in the UNECE region and the global context.
3. A first draft programme was issued as informal document INF.6 at the last session of the Bureau.
4. The final programme is reproduced below.

**Programme of the ITC Round Table
Transport of Dangerous Goods – Global and Regional Dimensions**

1 March 2011, 15.00–18.00

- 15.00 – 15.05 **OPENING AND WELCOME**
Ms. Eva Molnar
Director, UNECE Transport Division
- 15.05 – 16.05 **I. THE GLOBAL CONTEXT**
- The multi-modal framework in the context of sustainable development: the United Nations Recommendations and their implementation
Mr. Claude Pfauvadel
Chef de la Mission du Transport des Matières Dangereuses
Direction Générale de la Prévention des Risques
Ministère de l'Écologie, du Développement durable, des Transports et du Logement
France
 - How are the United Nations Recommendations translated in maritime transport regulations at a global level
Mr. Alfredo Parroquin-Ohlson
Cargoes and Facilitation Section
Maritime Safety Division
International Maritime Organization
 - Future developments and needs at the global scale
Mr. Paul Wauters
Chairman of the IRU Group of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods
International Road Transport Union (IRU)
 - Safe and Sustainable Transport in the Chemical Industry
Mr. Jos Verlinden
Director
Transport and Logistics
European Chemical Industry Council (CEFIC)
 - Future challenges for the safe transport of dangerous goods: Retention of expertise
Mr. Jeff Hart
Head of International Negotiations
Dangerous Goods Division, Department of Transport,
United Kingdom

- 16.05 – 16.20 Break
- 16.20 – 17.10 **II. THE EUROPEAN CONTEXT and “A vision for the future of European legislation”**
- Goals, principles and guidelines in European Union policy
Ms. Isabelle Kardacz
Head of the Road Safety and Transport of Dangerous Goods Unit
DG Move
European Commission
 - Accession lessons about the ADR – Turkey
Mr. Izzet Isik
Head of Department
Directorate General for Land Transport
Ministry of Transport
Turkey
 - Dangerous goods transport by rail in the Euro-Asian trade (RID/SMGS)
Mr. Jean Pierre Lehman
Director for Legal Affairs
International Union of Railways (UIC)
 - ADN, the latest UNECE Transport of Dangerous Goods Agreement:
objectives and implementation
Mr. Helmut Rein
Head of the Transport of Dangerous Goods Section
Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs
Germany
 - Transport of dangerous goods in inland navigation: going beyond legislation
Mr. Jean-Marie Woehrling
Secretary-General
Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR)
- 17.10 – 17.40 **III. PANEL DISCUSSION: Country and industry perspectives**
- Panelists:* Government officials, EU, industry representatives
Moderator: Mr. Olivier Kervella
Chief, Dangerous Goods and Special Cargoes Section
UNECE Transport Division
- 17.40 – 17.55 **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**
- 17.55 – 18.00 **CONCLUDING REMARKS**
Ms. Eva Molnar
Director, UNECE Transport Division
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