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Round table discussion on Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS)

Intelligent Mobility – thinking about tomorrow’s transport

Note by the secretariat

1. The Bureau of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Inland Transport Committee (ITC) has selected "Intelligent Transport Systems for sustainable mobility" as the theme of its policy-oriented segment (round table) for its 74th session.

2. High-level speakers, governments, experts and academia from all around the world will come together to put ITS on the policy makers agenda and to contribute to the policy-segment and launch of the UNECE strategy package on ITS that is expected to mark a milestone for future United Nations activities on ITS. The strategy package contains three different publications dealing with a general overview on ITS, a strategic note looking at the gaps and impediments to the use of ITS and the UNECE Road Map on ITS identifying 20 global actions to be performed by UNECE until 2020. The core objective of the UNECE strategy on ITS is to lobby for new actions and policies where ITS improve the quality of life and make sustainable mobility available across borders.

3. A first draft programme is reproduced below.
UNECE ITC Policy Segment
28 February 2012
15.00 – 18.00
Salle XII

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Moderators of the session:
Ms. Sibylle Rupprecht, Director General, International Road Federation (IRF) and Mr. Reinhard Scholl, Deputy to the Director, International Telecommunication Union (ITU)

15.00 – 15.05 Opening and Welcome
Mrs. Eva Molnár
Director
UNECE Transport Division

Part 1: 15.05 – 15.40 The role of the public sector

What governments can do to promote ITS
Mr. Nikolay Asaul
Deputy Minister
Ministry of Transport
Russian Federation

Inter-operability as a supra-national challenge – the EU perspectives
Mr. Fotis Karamitsos
Acting Deputy Director General
Logistics, Maritime and Land Transport Directorate and Innovative and Sustainable Mobility
Directorate General for Mobility and Transport
European Commission

Questions and Answers

Part 2: 15.40 – 16.15 ITS and sustainable mobility – thinking of Rio+20

ITS as an efficient tool for governments
Mr. Michael Harting
Director-General
Land transport
Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Development
Germany

How innovation is driving mobility – today and for future generations
Mr. Kenji Wani
Director
Engineering Policy Division, Road Transport Bureau
Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT)
Japan

Questions and Answers

Break

Part 3: 16.35 – 17.00 Road Safety and ITS – one person killed is already too much

Road Safety programme and ITS – lessons learned in Italy
Mr. Antonio Erario
Head of Division
International Regulatory Affairs
Department for Transport
Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport
Italy

Russia’s way in speed management – how technology is saving lives
Mr. Vladimir Kryuchkov
Chief Executive Officer
Intelligent Transport Systems Russia
ITS Russia

Questions and Answers

Part 4: 17.00 – 17.25 ITS for regional integration and leapfrogging in development

Combining ITS & Logistics - three public-private examples
Mr. Nico Anten
Managing Director
Connekt
ITS Netherlands

Leapfrogging opportunities and the need for policy direction on ITS
Mr. Paul Vorster
Chief Executive Officer
Intelligent Transport Society South Africa
ITS South Africa

Questions and Answers

Part 5: 17.25 – 17.55 ITS for a better society

What changes have been brought about in France
Mr. Jean-François Janin
Chef de la mission “transports intelligents”
Ministère de l’Ecologie, de l’Energie, du Développement Durable et de la Mer (MEEDDM)
France

Name it and solve it – current obstacles to full ITS deployment
Mr. Richard Harris
International Director
ITS United Kingdom

What needs to be done
Vincent Blervaque
Director of Development and Deployment
ERTICO – ITS Europe

Questions and Answers

17.55 – 18.00 Concluding remarks: The role UNECE can play in ITS deployment
Mrs. Éva Molnár
Director
UNECE Transport Division