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Protocol on Combined Transport on Inland Waterways to the AGTC Agreement: Amendment proposals

Lay-out of inland waterways and ports contained in the AGN Agreement and in the Protocol on Combined Transport on Inland Waterways

Note by the secretariat

I. Mandate

1. In June 2012, the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation (SC.3/WP.3) had invited the Working Party to revise Annexes I and II of the Protocol to bring them in line with the revised European Agreement on Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN Agreement) (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/82, para. 10).
2. Reference is made to ECE/TRANS/WP.24/2010/6 (paras. 13–15) that refers to the 6 amendments to the AGN Agreements since its entry into force on 26 July 1999. As of 1 August 2012, the AGN Agreement has the following 17 Contracting Parties: Austria, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Switzerland, Ukraine. Finland, France, Germany and Greece have signed, but have not yet ratified the AGN Agreement.
3. The present document gives examples of the different numbering systems, structures and denominations in inland waterways and ports in the AGN Agreement and in the Protocol. These differences complicate alignment of the two Agreements and require specific expertise of inland navigation and container transport on inland waterways to prepare solid amendment proposals to annexes I and II of the Protocol.

II. Lay-out of inland waterways in the AGN Agreement and in the Protocol

4. The examples given below relate to Austria, Belgium, France, Netherlands and Slovakia.

A. AGN Agreement (Annex I)

Number of E Waterway

<i>Main Waterway</i>	<i>Branches</i>	<i>Description of the route</i>
E 01		Dunkerque-Douai-Valenciennes-Condé-Pommeroeul-Mons-Charleroi-Namur-Liège-Maastricht, Moerdijk to Rotterdam/Europoort via rivers Maas, Kil, Noord and Nieuwe Maas
	E 01-02	Meuse from Namur to Givet
	E 01-04	Liège-Visé Canal
	E 01-04-01	Monsin Canal
	E 01-01	Kwaadmechelen-Dessel-Bocholt-Nederweert-Wessem-Canal de la Meuse
	E 01-06	Kanaal van St. Andries
	E 01-03	Zuid-Willemsvaart (Maas to 's Hertogenbosch)
E 80		Le Havre-Conflans via Le Havre-Tancarville Canal, Seine et Oise-[Compiègne-Toul], via river Moselle to Koblenz, river Rhine to Mainz, river Main to Bamberg, Main-Donau-Kanal, river Danube from Kelheim to Sulina
E 81		River Váh from its mouth to Zilina and [Váh-Oder link]
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B. Protocol on Combined Transport on Inland Waterways (Annex I)

Inland waterway section	C-E waterway number
(1) <i>France</i>	
Dunkerque-Arleux-Condé sur Escaut	C-E 01
Deûle	
Bauvin-Lille-(Zeebrugge)	C-E 02
Seine-North connection	C-E 05
[Compiègne-Arleux] (planned)	
...	

(2)	<i>Belgium</i>	
	Haute Meuse	C-E 01
	Mer du Nord-Leie	C-E 02, C-E 07
	...	
(3)	<i>Netherlands</i>	
	Juliana-Canal	C-E 01
	Dordtsche Kil	C-E 01
	...	
(7)	<i>Slovakia</i>	
	Danube	C-E 80
	Váh	C-E 81
	[Morava] (planned)	C-E 20
		C-E 30
(8)	<i>Austria</i>	
	Danube	C-E 80

III. Lay-out of inland navigation ports in the AGN Agreement and of terminals in ports in the Protocol

5. The examples given below relate to Austria, Belgium, France, Netherlands and Slovakia.

A. AGN Agreement (Annex II)

List of inland navigation ports of international importance

P 01-01	Dunkerque (Dunkerque-Valenciennes Canal, 20.5 km)
P 01-02	Charleroi (Sambre, 38.8 km)
P 01-03	Namur (Meuse, 46.3 km)
P 01-04	Liège (Meuse, 113.7 km)
P 01-05	Maastricht (Maas, 4.5 km)
...	
P 80-01	Le Havre (Le Havre-Tancarville Canal, 20.0 km)
P 80-33	Linz (Danube, 2128.2-2130.6 km)
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P 80-37	Wien (Danube, 1916.8-1920.2 km)
P 80-38	Bratislava (Danube, 1867.0 km)
...	

P 81-01	Komárno (Váh, 0.0 km)
...	
P 81-12	Cadca (Váh-Oder link, ... km) [under construction or planned]
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B. Protocol on Combined Transport on Inland Waterways

List of terminals in ports

(1) France

C-P 01-01	Dunkerque (Dunkerque-Valenciennes Canal, 20.5 km)
C-P 02-03	Lille (Deûle, 42.0 km)
...	

(2) Belgium

C-P 01-02	Charleroi (Sambre, 38.8 km)
C-P 01-04	Liège (Meuse, 113.7 km)
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(3) Netherlands

C-P 10-01	Rotterdam (Nieuwe Maas, 1002.5 km)
C-P 11-03	Amsterdam (Nordzeekanaal, 20.6 km)
C-P 12-01	Nijmegen (Waal, 884.6 km)

(7) Slovakia

C-P 80-38	Bratislava (Danube, 1865.4 km)
C-P 80-40	Komárno (Danube, 1767.1 km)
C-P 80-41	Sturovo-JCP (Danube, 1721.4 km)
C 81-01	Sered (Váh, 74.3 km)
C 81-02	Sala (Váh, 54.5 km)
C 20/30-01	Devinska Nová Ves (Morava, 4.0 km)

(8) Austria

C-P 80-33	Linz (Danube, 2128.2-2130.6 km)
...	
C-P 80-37	Wien (Danube, 1916.8-1920.2 km)
