

OICA Proposal in response to informal document 15 (Establishing an Informal Working Group dedicated to the development of a GTR on RDE)

OICA welcomes the proposal from EC, Japan and Korea to create an IWG dedicated to the development of a RDE GTR. In response to the proposal, OICA experts wish to express the following points for consideration:

1. Harmonization

- The goal of harmonization should be to achieve a single approach to RDE which is recognized by all Contracting Parties. The harmonised components that the OICA experts would expect from the GTR would include (but not limited to):
 - o Testing Instrumentation: technical specifications, set up, calibration (including span gases etc), validation, etc.
 - o Data evaluation Methodology: Agreed single methodology that will be accepted and used by all contracting parties.
 - o Boundary conditions: definition of a set of boundary conditions that would be accepted by a significant number of contracting parties and an agreed approach for accommodating regional conditions.
 - o Test protocol: vehicle selection and preparation, test duration, starting conditions, trip duration, weighting of low speed, mid speed and high speed phases etc.
 - o RDE family definition

2. Approach and timeline

- The starting point shall be to identify and study differences between the different RDE procedures already implemented or under development across different regions (e.g. EU, Japan, Korea, China, etc)
- Once differences have been identified, then priorities and timeline(s) for achieving a harmonised solution on each aspect shall be agreed.
- In the experience of OICA (with the development of GTRs 4, 5, 15, 19) the timeline presented in the informal document (15) seems ambitious and appears unrealistic for completion of the harmonised RDE GTR.
- OICA therefore would like to know the clear justification for recommended timeline and welcomes to discuss the expected outcomes and an appropriate timeline.
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