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Harmonization of the legal framework for international inland water transport

Status of international conventions and agreements on inland navigation issues

Note by the secretariat

I. Mandate

1. The secretariat reproduces below a table containing information on the current status of legal instruments on inland navigation questions, adopted both within and outside the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), as well as the progress in a number of their Contracting Parties since the pan-European Conference on Inland Water Transport Conference (Bucharest, 2006).

2. The Working Party may wish to take note of the status of the instruments and decide on possible ways to proceed with regard to some of them which for one reason or another have not yet entered into force or have a limited number of Contracting States. The Working Party may also wish to note that the text of all UNECE legal instruments on inland navigation may be found on the Working Party website at www.unece.org/trans/conventn/sc3_legalinst.html.

II. Status of international conventions and agreements on inland navigation issues

<i>Legal instrument</i>		<i>Status</i>	<i>New Contracting Parties since 2006</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
1.	Convention relating to the Unification of Certain Rules concerning Collision in Inland Navigation, of 1960 Depositary: UN Secretary-General	In force since 1966, 13 Contracting Parties: Austria, Belarus, France, Germany, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Montenegro, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia and Switzerland	Belarus Montenegro
2.	Convention on the Registration of Inland Navigation Vessels, of 1965 Depositary: UN Secretary-General	In force since 1982, 9 Contracting Parties: Austria, Belarus, Croatia, France, Luxembourg, Montenegro, Netherlands, Switzerland and Serbia	Belarus Montenegro
3.	Convention on the Measurement of Inland Navigation Vessels, of 1966 Depositary: UN Secretary-General	In force since 1975, 16 Contracting Parties: Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia and Switzerland	Belarus Montenegro
4.	Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Inland Waterway (CVN), of 1976 Depositary: UN Secretary-General	Not yet in force, 1 Contracting Party: Russian Federation	None
5.	Strasbourg Convention on the Limitation of Liability of Owners of Inland Navigation Vessels (CLNI), of 1988 Depositary: CCNR Secretary-General	In force since 1997, 4 Contracting Parties: Germany, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Switzerland	None
6.	Convention on Civil Liability for Damage caused during Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road, Rail and Inland Navigation Vessels (CRTD), of 1989	Not yet in force, 1 Contracting Party: Liberia	Liberia

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	Depository: UN Secretary-General		
7.	European Agreement concerning the Social Security of Boatmen engaged in Inland Navigation, of 1993 Depository: ILO Director-General	Not yet in force, 1 Contracting Party: Bulgaria	None
8.	European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN), of 1996 Depository: UN Secretary-General	In force since 1999, 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	Austria Belarus Bosnia and Herzegovina Ukraine
9.	Convention on Collection, Retention and Disposal of Waste Generated during Navigation on the Rhine and Other Inland Waterways, of 1996 Depository: CCNR Secretary-General	In force since 1 November 2009, 5 Contracting Parties: France, Germany, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Switzerland	Belgium
10.	Protocol on Combined Transport on Inland Waterways to the European Agreement on Important International Combined Transport Lines and Related Installations (AGTC), of 1997 Depository: UN Secretary-General	In force since 29 October 2009, 9 Contracting States: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Hungary, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Romania, Serbia and Switzerland	Hungary Serbia
11.	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (ADN), of 2000 Depository: UN Secretary-General	In force since 29 February 2008, 16 Contracting Parties: Austria, Bulgaria, Croatia, France, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Republic of Moldova, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Russian Federation, Switzerland and Ukraine	Croatia France Germany Luxembourg Poland Republic of Moldova Romania Serbia Slovakia Switzerland Ukraine

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12.	Regional Arrangement concerning the Radiotelephone Service on Inland Waterways, of 2000 Depositary: Belgian Administration	In force since 2000, 16 Contracting Administrations: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Republic of Moldova, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia and Switzerland	Bulgaria Republic of Moldova
13.	Budapest Convention on the Contract for the Carriage of Goods by Inland Waterway (CMNI), of 2001 Depositary: Hungary	In force since 2005, 15 Contracting Parties: Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Serbia and Switzerland	Belgium France Germany Netherlands Republic of Moldova Russian Federation Serbia Slovakia