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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the Special session***

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday,
6 December 2017 (Salle XXIII)

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Automated driving:
 - (a) Highly automated vehicles;
 - (b) Situation/s when a driver operates a vehicle from the outside of the vehicle; and
 - (c) Fully automated vehicles;

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3. Other business;
4. Date of next session;
5. Adoption of the report of the Special session.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Global Forum for Road Traffic Safety (WP.1) will be invited to adopt the session's agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/S/160

2. Automated driving

At the last session, "WP.1 agreed to hold a special session in early December 2017 focusing on automated driving only. During that session, WP.1 should further advance its work with regard to: (i) the structure and initial content of recommendations/guidance document on driver activities in a highly automated vehicle, (ii) elaboration of WP.1 position on the situation when a driver operates the vehicle from the outside the vehicle, and (iii) the structure and initial content of a fully automated vehicles document."

WP.1 will be therefore invited to consider the following points:

(a) Highly automated vehicles

At the last session, "WP.1 agreed that the "other activities" noted in the principles should be better elaborated in particular with reference to the activities which could compromise road safety or endanger road users. To this end, WP.1 agreed to begin work on the elaboration of a set of recommendations on the topic."

To this end, the Informal Group of Experts on Automated Driving will be invited to table a draft annotated outline of a guidance document on driver activities (i.e. "activities other than driving") in a highly automated vehicle to initiate WP.1 discussion on this subject.

Documentation

Informal document No. 1

(b) Situations when a driver operates a vehicle from the outside of the vehicle

At the last session, "WP.1 agreed that Remote Control Parking as defined in Vehicle Regulation 79.02 (annexed to the "1958 Vehicle Regulation Agreement") does not compromise road safety in parking manoeuvres. At the same time, WP.1 agreed to immediately begin work to address the issue of a driver operating a vehicle from the outside (other than RCP)."

To this end, WP.1 will be invited to define the scope of this work and start addressing the situations when a driver is envisaged to operate a vehicle from the outside of the vehicle.

(c) **Fully automated vehicles**

At the last session, WP. 1 agreed to: (i) create a document (possibly to be adopted in 2018) containing a set of basic recommendations addressing most pressing issues with regard to the of integration of highly and fully automated) vehicles in road traffic; (ii) commit to continuing development of this document by expanding its scope; and (iii) initially focus the work on elements such as interactions of fully automated vehicle systems with driving environment and with other road users and interactions of the fully automated vehicle systems with their users.”

To this end, WP.1 Chair will prepare an annotated outline on the basis of Informal documents no. 1, 4, 14, 15 and other relevant documents submitted to the September 2017 session in order to initiate WP.1 discussions on the subject.

Documentation

Informal document no. 2

3. Other Business

WP.1 may also wish to discuss other issues.

4. Date of next session

The next session of WP.1 is scheduled for 20 to 23 March 2018 in Geneva.

5. Adoption of the report of the Special session

The Working Party will adopt the report of its Special session.
