

**Japan's position regarding the informal document WP.29-174-09
(The European Real Driving Emissions methodology: Steps for global
harmonization under the 1998 Agreement)**

- Japan would appreciate the document proposed by European Commission.
- Japan has a plan to introduce RDE regulation for some diesel vehicles from October 2022 and will make the regulation public in this March.
- Therefore Japan believes that Japan's RDE method as well as European RDE should be used as the basis for the discussion of harmonized RDE method.
- Based on the above, if the following modification is accepted, Japan could willingly support to establish the IWG on RDE, and could be the co-sponsor.

2. Proposal

2.1 The European Union plans to propose the following actions in regards to promoting the RDE methodology in UNECE.

Step 1: With this informal document the European Union proposes the inclusion of the RDE annex (i.e. consolidated Annex IIIA of Regulation (EC) 2017/1151 in the Compendium of Candidate UN Global Technical Regulations in the framework of the 1998 Agreement.

Step 2: A proposal will be presented by the European Union and other Contracting Parties during the 77th session of GRPE, in June 2018, with the aim to create an Informal Working Group on RDE. The first goal of the IWG will be to develop a Global Technical Regulation, based on the European RDE methodology mainly for the countries which use 4 phases of WLTP and Japan's RDE methodology mainly for the countries which use 3 phases of WLTP, as this is reflected in RDE1-4.
