



Actions of the inland transport sector to
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INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE



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Working Party on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (WP.15)

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Status of ADR



- 54 Contracting Parties with the accession in 2022 of Armenia and Uganda
- 1993 Protocol amending Article 1 (a), Article 14 (1) and Article 14 (3) of the ADR: not yet entered into force as 14 Contracting Parties to ADR have not yet deposited the required instruments to become Parties to it.

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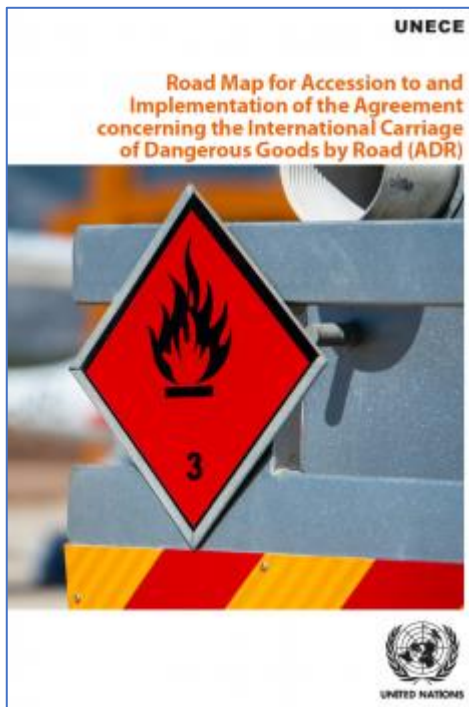
Past year's achievements: Results



- Adoption of a new set of amendments to ADR
 - Based on the amendments adopted until the May 2022 session (some amendments proposed by the March Joint Meeting and new requirements to allow the use of electrical vehicles for certain types of transport).
 - Official consolidated proposal of amendments transmitted by France to the Depositary in accordance with the procedure set out in article 14 of ADR.
 - Entry into force for all Contracting Parties on 1 January 2023 with a 6-month transitional period.
- New ADR Edition 2023 published in English, French and Russian

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ADR Road map for accession and implementation

- Published in November 2022 in English, French and Russian.
- The Road Map contains information for experts and legal advisers in transport ministries and departments, as well as for other relevant ministries (e.g. environment, interior, foreign affairs), presidential administrations and national parliaments in countries interested in becoming contracting parties to ADR. It also aims to provide useful information to the Contracting parties to ADR during the implementation process.

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Contribution to the ITC Strategy



■ Rules of procedures of the Working Parties:

WP.15 confirms that for the time being it wishes to continue to apply its own rules of procedure (ECE/TRANS/WP.15/190/Add.1) which provides that any country member of the UN may participate in its activities.

Countries members of the UN wishing to accede to ADR for international transport and countries wishing to apply the ADR provisions as national regulation are invited to participate in its meetings.

■ Activities of the Working Party:

- WP.15 continues to work on electrified vehicles to use them for the transport of flammable gases and liquids.
- WP.15 confirms that its activities are in line with the adopted strategy and that it is already giving priority to those items on its agenda that require action, are of high interest and have a significant impact on other items, in particular those relating to the interpretation and amendment of ADR, for the sake of safety and security and to ensure regulatory harmonization between modes of transport.

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■ Circular economy and sustainable use of natural resources:

A round table discussion on the circular economy from the perspective of multimodal transport of dangerous goods was held during the November 2022 session. The round table was a response to discussions held during previous session and to the request from the ITC, in the context of its strategy to 2030, for an annual report on the work of the subsidiary bodies related to the circular economy and the Sustainable Development Goals.

The work of UN bodies on the transport of dangerous goods is already having an impact, direct or indirect, on the development of the circular economy and the SDGs (e.g. provisions concerning packaging, used batteries or transport of waste). It is now important to better identify the links between those areas.

WP.15 decided to dedicate a new agenda item to these issues to allow regular discussion on follow-up actions. When submitting proposals, delegations are invited to note in the justification part any interlinkage there might be with those topics.



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Thank you!

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