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and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification
and Labelling of Chemicals**

**Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized
System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals**

**Forty-sixth session**

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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

**Adoption of the agenda**

 Provisional agenda for the forty-sixth session

 Addendum

 List of documents and annotations

 1. Adoption of the agenda

Following the departure of the vice-chair of the Sub-Committee due to a change in responsibilities within the Canadian government, the Sub-Committee may wish to consider adding a new item to the agenda for the election of a vice-chair for the remainder of the current biennium, in accordance with rule 22 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

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| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90 and ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90/Add.1 | Provisional agenda for the forty-sixth session |

 Background documents (secretariat)

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| ST/SG/AC.10/30/Rev.10 | Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), tenth revised edition |
| ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.23 | Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Model Regulations (twenty-third revised edition) |
| ST/SG/AC.10/11/Rev.8 | Manual of Tests and Criteria, eighth revised edition |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/88  | Report of the Sub-Committee of Experts on Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals on its forty-fourth session |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90  | Report of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals on its forty-fifth session |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/124 and -/Add.1  | Report of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its sixty-second session |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/126and -/Add.1   | Report of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its sixty-third session |

 2. Work on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

 (a) Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on matters of interest to the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals[[1]](#footnote-2)

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| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/7 (China)*(ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2024/41)*+ informal document INF.4 *(TDG, INF.5)* | Report of the informal correspondence group on the revision of subsection 51.4 of the Manual of Tests and Criteria regarding the burning rate |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/8 (AEISG)*(ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2024/52)* | Corrections and amendments to the Model Regulations, the Globally Harmonized System and the Manual of Tests and Criteria |
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The Sub-Committee will be informed about the outcome of the discussions of the
Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (TDG Sub-Committee) on any other matters of interest to the Sub-Committee.

 (b) Simultaneous classification in physical hazards and precedence of hazards

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| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/1 (Germany)*(ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2024/4)* + informal document INF.3 *(TDG, INF.4)* | Proposal for clarifications on the combinations of aerosols and chemicals under pressure with other hazard classes in the Globally Harmonized System |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/2 (FEA)*(ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2024/5)* | Proposal for further clarification on the hazard class “Aerosols” in the Globally Harmonized System |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/3 (FEA)*(ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2024/6)* | Aerosols – Alignment of special provision 63 with special provision 362 |

 (c) Use of non-animal testing methods for classification of health and environmental hazards

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| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/10 (United Kingdom, Netherlands)+ INF.5 | Revision of chapter 3.4 to fully incorporate non-animal testing methods for skin sensitization - mixtures |

 (d) Classification criteria for germ cell mutagenicity

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item. The representative of the European Union may wish to update the Sub-Committee about the progress on the work on this matter since its forty-fifth session. For reference see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90, paragraph 17.

 (e) Potential hazard issues and their presentation in the Globally Harmonized System

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| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/9 (European Union) | Potential hazard issues and their presentation in the Globally Harmonized System: Mandate to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) on persistence and mobility |

 (f) Practical classification issues (proposed amendments to the Globally Harmonized System)

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item. The expert from the United States of America may wish to update the Sub-Committee about the progress on the work of the group on the remaining items on its programme of work related to proposals of amendments to the GHS. For reference see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90, paragraph 21.

 (g) Nanomaterials

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

 (h) Hazardous to the atmospheric system

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item. The representative of the European Union may wish to update the Sub-Committee about the progress on the work on this topic since the forty-fifth session. For reference see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90, paragraphs 23 to 25.

 (i) Improvement of annexes 1 to 3 and further rationalization of precautionary statements

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item. The expert from the United Kingdom may wish to update the Sub-Committee about the progress on the work of the informal working on this topic since the forty-fifth session. For reference see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90, paragraph 26.

 (j) Other matters

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| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/4 (United Kingdom; Netherlands) | Proposed revision of the term “radioisotopic” in chapter 3.4 |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/5 (AEISG)*(ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2024/24)* | Consideration of nitrocellulose mixtures in chapter 2.17 (Desensitized explosives) of the Globally Harmonized System, section 51 of the Manual of Tests and Criteria and special provision 393 of the Model Regulations |
| ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2024/6 (AEISG)*(ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2024/25)* | Consideration of amendments to chapter 2.17 (Desensitized explosives) of the Globally Harmonized System and section 51 of the Manual of Tests and Criteria |

 3. Implementation

 (a) Possible development of a list of chemicals classified in accordance with the Globally Harmonized System

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item. The experts from Canada and the United States of America may wish to inform the
Sub-Committee about the progress on the work on this topic since the forty-fifth session. For reference see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90, paragraph 35.

 (b) Reports on the status of implementation

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item. Experts, observers and international organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress in the GHS implementation in their respective countries or areas of work.

 (c) Cooperation with other bodies or international organizations

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

 (d) Miscellaneous

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

 4. Development of guidance on the application of the Globally Harmonized System

 (a) Practical classification issues

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item. For reference see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90, paragraph 41.

 (b) Practical labelling issues

The representative of the European Chemical Industry (Cefic) may wish to update the
Sub-Committee about the progress of the work of the informal working group on this topic. For reference, see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/90, paragraphs 42 and 43.

 (c) Miscellaneous

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

 5. Capacity building

Experts, observers and international organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee of any capacity-building activities or projects undertaken in relation to the GHS.

 6. Implementation of Agenda 2030 and work of the Economic and Social Council

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda item.

 7. Other business

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda item.

 8. Adoption of the report

In accordance with the established practice, the Sub-Committee may wish to adopt the report on its forty-sixth session and its annex(es) on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.

1. Delegates participating in the work of the GHS Sub-Committee who are not normally involved in the work of the TDG Sub-Committee are invited to participate in sessions of the TDG Sub-Committee when it is acting as the focal point of the GHS Sub-Committee for physical hazards (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2, paragraph 43 (b)). At its sixty-fourth session (24 June – 3 July 2024) the TDG Sub-Committee may consider matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee. All the documentation for the session will be made available at <https://unece.org/info/Transport/Dangerous-Goods/events/385416>. GHS Sub-Committee delegates interested in participating in the work of the TDG Sub-Committee should register for the TDG Sub-Committee session. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)