UNECE EXPERT GROUPS
ADVISORY GROUP ON MARKET SURVEILLANCE (MARS Group)
GROUP OF EXPERTS ON RISK MANAGEMENT (GRM)
AGREED FOLLOW-UP & OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION

JOINT MEETING OF THE UNECE WP.6 EXPERT GROUPS,
JUNE 11-12TH, 2020 - VIRTUAL MEETING
NON-DECISION

• GRM/MARS group member states called upon the ECE secretariat to step up the collection of facts, sharing of experiences and development of best practises as inputs for the revision of Recommendation P to respond better to emerging risks, such as pandemics.

• As an immediate follow-up to the meeting, the ECE secretariat will launch a survey to document how authorities have used and are using risk management and emergency management resources in the context of the pandemic.

• Member states are invited to present how their standards-related activities contributed to the containment of the COVID emergency at the next meeting of the UNECE Working Party on Regulatory Cooperation and Standardization Policies (WP.6), scheduled for 1-2 November 2020 in Geneva, Switzerland.

• An informal online consultation of members of the GRM and MARS groups could be organized in September/October to consult on deliverables for the Annual Session and identify opportunities for further collaboration. Reduced latency in data would be an item of discussion. Experts from OECD Regulatory Policy Committee could be invited as observers.
Follow-up:

• Opportunity to comment on GRM deliverables.
• Online working group meeting.
• Enhanced cooperation between MARS and GRM by:
  • inviting market surveillance experts and customs administrations to the GRM meetings to share their expertise on risk-based market surveillance.
  • progressing work on the Glossary of Market Surveillance Terms.
  • discussing and sharing information about relevant challenges for market surveillance authorities where risk-based expertise is essential (i.e. transposition, e-commerce).