The Maastricht workshop (29 November 2006) was devoted to the issue of statistics of transportation by buses and coaches. The workshop decided to form a voluntary and open Task force that would explore the methodological ways to assess this issue. This would include work on definitions, harmonization and standards. The Task force is expected to present its findings to an ad hoc workshop in 2008.

General information about the activities of the Task force that include draft agendas with registration forms and reports will be available at the following web address:

Delegates to the Working Party on Transport Statistics (WP.6) interested in the work of this Task force are welcome to join its ongoing work and efforts on the project. This is an open invitation.

Interested parties are invited to visit regularly the web address of this project in order to get information about the general activities of the Task force, as well as to contribute to its work.

The first meeting of this Task force was held in the IRU, Brussels on 22-23 February 2007. The second meeting was held at the Czech Ministry of Transport on 10-11 May 2007. The third meeting was held at the European Commission on 27-28 September 2007. The fourth meeting will be held at the Swedish National Road and Transport Research Institute’s (VTI) office (Stockholm, Sweden) on 22-23 November 2007.
A provisional agenda of the fourth Task force meeting is presented on page 3 of this document.

The secretariat proposes to the Task force for discussion the following date for subsequent meeting of the Task force:

- March 2008

The working language of the Task force will be English only.

Delegates are expected to cover themselves all costs related to the participation in this meeting. The organisers do not dispose of funds to finance either full or partial cost of travel and stay by delegates.

The registration form on page 4 of this document should be sent either by fax or by email as soon as possible, to both

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The address of the meeting venue is:

The meeting will take place at the Swedish National Road and Transport Research Institute’s (VTI) office, Lindstedtsvägen 24, located on KTH’s Campus.
The easiest way to reach KTH is to take the metro from the central station, buy your ticket in a vending machine. Red Line (towards Mörby Centrum) to Tekniska Högskolan.
PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Thursday, 22 November 2007 (10:30h – 17.30h)
- Official opening of the meeting
- Election of chairperson
- Adoption of Agenda
- Tasks that came from the third meeting in Brussels
  - Definitions
  - Questionnaire

Friday, 23 November 2007 (09.30h - 17.30h)
- Continuation from 22 November
- Distribution of work
- Action plan
- Date and place of the next meeting of the Task force
- Other matters
- Conclusion
- End of the meeting

The following breaks are proposed:
22/11: 12.30 - 14.00 h (lunch break), 15.30 h - 16.00 h
23/11: 10.30 h - 11.00 h, 12.30 - 14.00 h (lunch break), 15.30 -16.00 h.
Task Force Meeting on transportation by buses and coaches
(Stockholm, 22-23 November 2007)

REGISTRATION FORM

1. Participant
   Mr. [ ] Family Name [ ] First Name
   Mrs. [ ] [ ]
   Ms. [ ]

2. Title of present official position ........................................................................................................

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7. Participating From / Until
   From .......................................................... Until ..........................................................

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Participant’s signature   Date
Annex

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The meeting will take place at the Swedish National Road and Transport Research Institute’s (VTI) office, Lindstedsvägen 24, located on KTH’s Campus. The easiest way to reach KTH is to take the metro from the central station, buy your ticket in a vending machine. Red Line (towards Mörby Centrum) to Tekniska Högskolan.

For the dinner I need to know if there are allergies or vegetarians in the group.

VTI/SIKA, Lindstedtsväg 24 (marked with an X)