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# Global Harmonisation OICA Comments

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# OICA Principles

- OICA continues to support the principle of global harmonisation of vehicle regulations.
- While there are certain positive examples, experience has shown that the process can be difficult and costly and that the results may not always reach the desired outcome.
- OICA continuously examines a wide range of subjects to evaluate likely benefit, expected difficulty and chance of success.



# Global Harmonization Work Program

- OICA supports the existing work program on the development of new gtr's or the amendment of existing ones.
- Possible new items could be
  - the amendment to gtr-6 (Safety Glazing) to include Plastic Glazing
  - Common Repository for test tool definitions
    - ✓ Similar to US Part 572
    - ✓ Start with Hybrid III dummy
    - ✓ Possibly use Consolidated Resolution R.E.3 ?
- Other proposals may follow at a later date.



# Procedural issues

- No mechanism for application dates in gtr, whether new gtr or amendment
  - Technical regulations should contain lead-time provisions (see § 4.1.3.3. of 1998 Agreement), but currently do not
  - Clear process needed when amending existing gtr to incorporate new test tools:
    - ✓ Transitional Provisions
    - ✓ Orderly transition



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- Development of a GTR:
  - ✓ Need to remain performance oriented
  - ✓ Need to provide adequate level of safety / environmental protection, justified for all CP's and with significantly positive cost/benefit ratio
  - ✓ Need to waive “options” with contradictory provisions
  - ✓ Not automatically mandate latest existing technical applications
- Assessment of chances for successful completion upfront.



Thank you!