Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation for International Transport Networks

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“It is not the strongest of the species that survives, nor the most intelligent that survives, it is the one that is most adaptable to change,”
Charles Darwin

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The Group of Experts on Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation to International Transport Networks completed its work in 2013 and submitted a full report of its accomplishments. The Committee may wish to note that the final report of the Group was published as a UNECE publication and it is meant to raise awareness on the importance of climate change adaptation (Informal document No. 8).
The next phase of the Group would analyze:

(i) the need for establishing inventories of transport networks in the ECE region that are vulnerable to climate change impacts and

(ii) the usage or development of models, methodologies, tools and good practices to address potential hazards of an extreme nature (e.g. high temperatures, floods) in selected inland transport infrastructure in the ECE region.

(iii) Identification and analysis of case studies focusing on the potential economic, social, and environmental consequences of the climate change impacts and provide a cost/benefit analysis of the adaptation options.
Possible Decision.

To decide to support continuation for two more years of the work of the Group of Experts on Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation for International Transport Networks according to the UNECE Rules and Regulations, pending EXCOM approval, and based on the Terms of Reference (ToR) contained in document ECE/TRANS/2015/6 and approve the change of the name of the Group to “Group of Experts on Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation for Transport Networks and Nodes”;
The secretariat should ensure that all relevant documentation of the group meetings during 2015 (June, October) and 2016, such as agendas, reports and series of official documents, is provided in three languages on time.
Thank You!