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Forty-seventh session

Geneva, 24–26 June 2015

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the forty-seventh session^{1, 2}

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva
starting at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, 24 June 2015

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Inland waterway infrastructure:
 - (a) European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN);
 - (b) Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (“Blue Book”);

¹ For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Transport Division's website www.unece.org/trans/main/sc3/wp3/wp3age.html. During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations).

² Delegates are requested to register online at the following address: <http://tiny.cc/rpebwx>. Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext. 72478). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website www.unece.org/meetings/practical.html.

- (c) Inventory of Most Important Bottlenecks and Missing Links in the E Waterway Network (Resolution No. 49, revised).
- 3. Mutual recognition of boatmasters' certificates and professional requirements in inland navigation: Fourth meeting of the International Expert Group.
- 4. European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI) (Resolution No. 24, revised).
- 5. Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (Resolution No. 61, revised).
- 6. Establishment of common principles and technical requirements for pan-European River Information Services (RIS):
 - (a) Guidelines and Recommendations for River Information Services (RIS) (Resolution No. 57);
 - (b) International Standards for Notices to Skippers and for Electronic Ship Reporting in Inland Navigation;
 - (c) International Standard for Tracking and Tracing on Inland Waterways (VTT) (Resolution No. 63);
 - (d) Recommendation on Electronic Chart Display and Information System for Inland Navigation (Inland ECDIS) (Resolution No. 48).
- 7. Recreational navigation.
- 8. Inland navigation security.
- 9. Other business:
 - (a) Theme topic for the next SC.3 session;
 - (b) High-level international conference on inland navigation.
- 10. Adoption of the report.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda is the adoption of the agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/93

2. Inland waterway infrastructure

(a) European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN)

The Working Party will be informed by the secretariat about the current status of the AGN.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/120/Rev.3

(b) **Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (“Blue Book”)**

The Working Party will be informed by the secretariat about new amendment proposals to the Blue Book and may wish to discuss the division of the section “KURSHSKIY ZALIV and NEMUNAS” (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/92, para. 14).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/144/Rev.2 and Add.1

(c) **Inventory of Most Important Bottlenecks and Missing Links in the E Waterway Network (Resolution No. 49, revised)**

The Working Party will be informed about the progress in eliminating bottlenecks and completing missing links based on information submitted by Governments. The Working Party may wish to consider revising the list of most important bottlenecks and missing links, as set out in the annex of Resolution No. 49, revised, on the basis of available information.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/159/Rev.1

3. Mutual recognition of boatmasters’ certificates and professional requirements in inland navigation: Fourth meeting of the International Expert Group

At its forty-sixth session, SC.3/WP.3 agreed to devote a half-day of the forty-seventh session of SC.3/WP.3 to the fourth meeting of the International Expert Group on Mutual Recognition of Boatmasters’ Certificates and Harmonization of Professional Requirements in Inland Navigation (IEG). The provisional agenda of the fourth IEG meeting is the same as the agenda of the third meeting, as below:

1. Exchange of information on boatmasters’ certificates in inland navigation and professional requirements in inland navigation in the ECE region.
2. Proposal on means and measures to make the professions of boatmaster and other crew members employed in inland navigation more attractive and to bring these professions into line with modern requirements (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/1).
3. Analysis of existing national, regional and international instruments relating to the mutual recognition and modernization of professional qualifications in inland navigation (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/2).
4. Local knowledge requirements: drawing up criteria to help determine the conditions where local knowledge requirements could be necessary.
5. Discussion on establishing the procedures of expert training and examination within ECE region, on the basis of the synthesis of the information submitted by UNECE member States (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2014/15) and the Standards of Training and Certification for personnel in Inland Navigation (STCIN) developed by PLATINA (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2014/16 and its corrigendum).
6. Other business.
7. Next meeting.

The Group of Experts may wish to conduct its discussions on the basis of this agenda, and in particular continue its work on documents ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/1 and ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/2.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/1, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/2

**4. European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI)
(Resolution No. 24, revised): Fifth revised edition**

The secretariat will inform the Working Party about the publication of the paper version and online version of the fifth revised edition of CEVNI.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/115/Rev.5

**5. Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical
Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (Resolution No. 61,
revised)**

The Working Party approved, at its forty-sixth session, corrections to language discrepancies in amendments to chapters 15, 22a and appendix 1 of Resolution No. 61 (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/92, para. 34).

The Working Party may wish to discuss other changes to the Resolution.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/172/Rev.1 and Amends.1 and 2; ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/3

**6. Establishment of common principles and technical requirements for
pan-European River Information Services (RIS)**

**(a) Guidelines and Recommendations for River Information Services (RIS)
(Resolution No. 57)**

At its forty-sixth session, the Working Party asked the secretariat to draft an amendment proposal to Resolution No. 57 in order to update the references to former Resolution No. 60. The Working Party may wish to consider and approve the amendments presented in document ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/4.

Following the decision to consider the revision of Resolution No. 57 in 2014–2015 (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/86, para. 43), the Working Party may wish to discuss other changes to the Resolution.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/165/Rev.1; ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/4

**(b) International Standards for Notices to Skippers and for Electronic Ship Reporting in
Inland Navigation**

It is recalled that at its fifty-eighth session, SC.3 adopted the division of former Resolution No. 60 into two resolutions: the International Standards for Electronic Ship Reporting in

Inland Navigation (Resolution No. 79) and the International Standards for Notices to Skippers in Inland Navigation (Resolution No. 80).

1. *International Standards for Electronic Ship Reporting in Inland Navigation (Resolution No. 79)*

The Working Party may wish to discuss any further amendments to these standards, which could be introduced in Resolution No. 79.

2. *International Standards for Notices to Skippers in Inland Navigation (Resolution No. 80)*

The Working Party may wish to discuss any further amendments to these standards, which could be introduced in Resolution No. 80.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/198; ECE/TRANS/SC.3/199

(c) **International Standard for Tracking and Tracing on Inland Waterways (VTT) (Resolution No. 63)**

The Working Party may wish to discuss any further amendments to this Resolution.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/176/Rev.1

(d) **Recommendation on Electronic Chart Display and Information System for Inland Navigation (Inland ECDIS) (Resolution No. 48)**

At its forty-sixth session, the Working Party decided to add the revision of Resolution No. 48 on the agenda of its forty-seventh session, revised (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/92, para. 38). The Working Party may wish to consider the amendments proposal submitted by the Inland ECDIS Expert Group (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/5) and approve them.

The Working Party may also wish to consider and comment document ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/6 presenting an Automatic Identification System (AIS) Aids to Navigation report messages in inland waterways.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/156/Rev.2; ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/5;
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/6

7. Recreational navigation

It is recalled that at its fifty-eighth session, SC.3 adopted the fourth revised edition of the International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft (Resolution No. 40) as presented in ECE/TRANS/SC.3/147/Rev.4. During this session, SC.3 also adopted the guidelines to Resolution No. 40, as presented in informal document SC.3 No. 3 (2014).

The Working Party may wish to discuss any further amendments to this Resolution and changes to the map of European recreational inland navigation.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/147/Rev.4

8. Inland navigation security

The Working Party may wish to discuss inland navigation security issues, on the basis of the recommendations concerning hazard prevention for the navigation on the Danube adopted by the Danube Commission on 10 December 2014 (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/7).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2015/7

9. Other business

(a) Theme topic for the next SC.3 session

It is recalled that at its fifty-eighth session, SC.3 approved the decision of SC.3/WP.3 on the theme of the fifty-ninth session of SC.3 which will be “The development of the Dniepr-Vistula section of the E40 waterway”.

The Working Party may wish to discuss the modalities for preparing the discussion.

(b) High-level international conference on inland navigation

It is recalled that at its fifty-eighth session, SC.3 agreed on the key topics suggested by SC.3/WP.3 (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/197, para. 10).

The Working Party may wish to make suggestions for the organization of the conference and discuss the preparation of the topics.

10. Adoption of the report

In accordance with established practice, the Working Party will adopt the decisions taken at its forty-seventh session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.

III. Tentative timetable

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Activities</i>
Wednesday, 24 June 2015	10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.	Agenda items 1–3
	3.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.	Agenda item 4–5
Thursday, 25 June 2015	9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	Agenda item 6–7
	2.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.	Agenda items 8–9
Friday, 26 June 2015	10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.	Adoption of the report
