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Adoption of the Agenda

Annotated Provisional Agenda for the Seventy-first Session^{1,2}

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 5 October 2015

I. Provisional agenda

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 - (a) Consistency between the Convention on Road Traffic (1968) and Vehicle Technical Regulations;
 - (b) Driving permits;

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² All delegates are requested to complete the registration form available for download at the UNECE Transport Division's website (www.unece.org/trans/registfr.html). It should be transmitted to the UNECE secretariat no later than one week prior to the session by e-mail (roadsafety@unece.org) or by fax (+41 22 917 0039). 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.75716 or 72401). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website www.unece.org/meetings/practical.htm.

- (c) Autonomous driving;
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- 4. European Agreement supplementing the 1968 Convention on Road Traffic (1971).
- 5. Convention on Road Traffic (1949):
 - (a) Consistency between the Convention on Road Traffic (1949) and Vehicle Technical Regulations;
 - (b) Registration plates.
- 6. Convention on Road Signs and Signals (1968):
 - (a) Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals;
 - (b) Amendment Proposals on Variable Message Signs (VMS).
- 7. Consolidated Resolution on Road Traffic (R.E.1):
 - (a) A Safe System Approach;
 - (b) Multi-Disciplinary Crash Investigation (MDCI);
 - (c) Amendment proposals on distracted driving.
- 8. Consolidated Resolution on Road Signs and Signals (R.E.2):
Secure Parking Areas.
- 9. Group of Experts on Improving Safety at Level Crossings.
- 10. Programme of work and biennial evaluation.
- 11. Decade of Action for Road Safety:
 - (a) Revision of the terms of reference and rules of procedure for WP.1;
 - (b) WP.1 and the Decade of Action for Road Safety.
- 12. Other Business.
- 13. Date of next session.
- 14. Adoption of the report of the seventy-first session.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Working Party on Road Traffic Safety (WP.1) will be invited to adopt the session's agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/150

2. Activities of interest to the Working Party

Due to time constraints, neither presentations nor discussion are foreseen on this agenda item. National delegations and international organizations will have the opportunity to submit in writing information on national and international road safety activities and

initiatives, including recent and forthcoming changes to their traffic legislation as well as any information on the events going to take place (prior to the next WP.1 session).

3. Convention on Road Traffic (1968)

(a) Consistency between the Convention on Road Traffic (1968) and Vehicle Technical Regulations

The secretariat will brief WP.1 on the status of amendment proposals to Articles 8 and 39, which were the subject of the Secretary-General's depositary notification of 23 September 2014.

WP.1 will be invited to consider ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2011/4/Rev.5 prepared by the secretariat which incorporates the amendment proposals contained in ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/1 (submitted by the International Motorcycle Manufacturers Association at the March session).

WP.1 will also be invited to consider ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/2/Rev.1 submitted by France, Italy and Laser Europe. This document consolidates the proposals contained in documents ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2011/4/Rev.4 as amended at the last WP.1 session and ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/1 (IMMA proposals) as well as all the proposals contained in other documents (formal and informal) not yet examined by WP.1. The document ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/2/Rev.1 is to be considered in conjunction with the document ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/3.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2011/4/Rev.5, ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/2/Rev.1,
ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/3

(b) Driving permits

The informal expert group comprised of representatives from France, Luxembourg, Fédération Internationale de Automobile (FIA) and International Organization for Standardization (ISO) will be invited to table the suggested format of the informative multi-language brochure for use by governments and issuing entities (based on ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2014/8/Rev.1). The informative brochure relates to the appropriate International Driver's Permit (IDP). Categories in accordance with the 1968 Convention, resulting from the new Licence Categories defined in the EU Driving Licence Directive 2006/126/EC.

WP.1 will be invited to consider ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/7 prepared by FIA and ISO. The document contains proposed amendments related to international and domestic driving permits as requested by WP.1 at its seventieth session. ISO will also update WP.1 on the progress in identifying a Contracting Party to both the 1968 and 1949 Conventions to partner with WP.1 in relation to the proposal amendments.

The secretariat will provide an update on the creation of the proposed image bank of model IDP booklets provided by Contracting Parties to the 1968 and 1949 Conventions using free software.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2014/8/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/7

(c) **Autonomous driving**

At the last session, WP.1 discussed Informal document No. 2 submitted by the Governments of Belgium and Sweden which describes and analyzes the role of the driver in a vehicle with a more advanced level of automation from a regulatory perspective as well as addressing the updated formulation of Art.8. WP.1 also requested these Governments and the WP.1 Chair to present it at the next WP.29 (World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations) session in June 2015, and agreed that a joint WP.1/WP.29 task force on this matter should be created. The Chair together with the delegates of Belgium and Sweden will provide an update on developments since the last session. The Governments of Belgium and Sweden will introduce ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/8.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/8

(d) **Loading of vehicles**

WP.1 will be invited to consider ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/5/Rev.1 submitted by the International Road Union (IRU). The document reflects the comments provided by WP.1 at the last session. IRU will also update WP.1 as to whether a Contracting Party to the 1968 Convention on Road Traffic has been identified to partner with IRU to propose these amendments.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/5/Rev.1

4. European Agreement supplementing the 1968 Convention on Road Traffic (1971)

The secretariat will provide an update on the status of the questionnaire distributed to Contracting Parties on the level of implementation of provisions related to international technical inspection certificates (in particular, Annex, point 26bis, paragraph 5(c)).

5. Convention on Road Traffic (1949)

(a) **Consistency between the Convention on Road Traffic (1949) and Vehicle Technical Regulations**

At the last session, WP.1 adopted ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2014/4/Rev.1 submitted by Austria, Belgium, France and Italy which proposes amending Articles 8 and 22 of the Convention (Annex II of ECE/TRANS/WP.1/149). The secretariat will inform WP.1 about the status of the amendment proposal.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/149

(b) **Registration plates**

At the last session, WP.1 adopted Belgium's proposal to amend paragraph 1 of Annex 3 of the 1949 Convention on Road Traffic to allow the issuance of (personalized) registration plates containing only letters (Annex III of ECE/TRANS/WP.1/149). The secretariat will inform WP.1 about the status of the amendment proposal.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/149

6. Convention on Road Signs and Signals (1968)

(a) Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals

The Chair of the Group of Experts will be invited to provide an update on the fourth session of the Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals which met on 4 and 5 June 2015. The update will include information on amendment proposals to the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals related to signs and signals for cyclists and pedestrians as stipulated in the Paris Declaration signed at the Fourth High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment.

(b) Amendment Proposals on Variable Message Signs (VMS)

The Chair of the Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals will be invited to provide a summary of the presentation by the road sign expert of Spain at the fourth session on this item.

7. Consolidated Resolution on Road Traffic (R.E.1)

(a) A Safe System Approach

WP.1 will continue to discuss ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2014/6 which incorporates Sweden's amendment proposals to include a safe system approach into the Consolidated Resolution on Road Traffic (R.E.1) from page 19 onwards.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2014/6

(b) Multi-Disciplinary Crash Investigation (MDCI)

WP.1 will consider ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2013/6/Rev.2 submitted by Sweden and Finland. At the last session, the countries were asked to revise the document to follow the R.E.1 format (i.e., the substantive text, recommendations and boxes).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2013/6/Rev.2

(c) Amendment proposals on distracted driving

WP.1 will continue working on an amendment proposal on distracted and "impaired" driving (Informal document No. 1).

Documentation

Informal document No. 1

(d) Amendment proposals on Powered Two Wheelers (PTW) policies

The Chair will provide an update on the follow-up of the seventieth session Round Table's conclusions, as endorsed in the last WP.1 session. In this context, several activities have already been carried out and more are envisaged in the forthcoming months.

Documentation

Informal document No. 2

8. Consolidated Resolution on Road Signs and Signals (R.E.2)

Secure Parking Areas

WP.1 will consider ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2012/9/Rev.1 submitted by Austria and Spain in cooperation with the Chair.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2012/9/Rev.1

9. Group of Experts on Improving Safety at Level Crossings

The secretariat will provide an overview of the outcome of the fifth session of the Group of Experts on improving safety at level crossings which met on 15-16 June 2015, including the decision of the group of experts to recommend the extension of their mandate into 2016 in order to complete the work programme.

10. Programme of work and biennial evaluation, 2016-2017

In accordance with the decision of the Inland Transport Committee to review its programme of work every two years, WP.1 is requested to review and adopt its programme of work for 2016–2017 as well as the relevant parameters allowing for its biennial evaluation (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/9).

WP.1 approved its previous programme of work at its sixty-seventh session in 2013 (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/143, ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2013/7/Rev.1 and ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2013/8/Rev.1). It may wish to examine and revise its draft programme of work for 2016-2020 and, in particular, the continued relevance of priorities assigned to individual work elements and the expected outputs identified for this period (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/10).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/9, ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2015/10

11. Decade of Action for Road Safety

(a) Revision of the terms of reference and rules of procedure for WP.1

WP.1 will continue to discuss the revision of its terms of reference/rules of procedure in the context of non-UNECE countries interested in becoming WP.1 members.

Documentation

Informal document No. 5 (September 2014), TRANS/WP.1/100/Add.1, ECE/EX/1, ECE/EX/2/Rev.1 and E/ECE/1468 (Annex III)

(b) WP.1 and the Decade of Action for Road Safety

WP.1 will be invited to consider Informal document No. 3 prepared by the WP.1 Chair which outlines a more strategic way to address best practices such as roundtables; explores the possibility to use the Consolidated Resolutions to a greater extent to drive the Working Party global engagement forward; and also explores the possibility of holding a WP.1 session outside of Geneva.

Documentation

Informal document No. 3

(c) Decade of Action – Time for Results

The WP.1 Chair will inform the Working Party about all ongoing preparatory steps for the Second Global High-Level Conference on Road Safety which will be held in Brasilia, 18-19 November 2015.

12. Other Business

The secretariat will raise the matter of the issue of translation and the advice received from the Documents Management Section of the Division of Conference Management concerning the need for a specific mandate from governments to have reports/amendment annexes translated into the six official UN languages. Subject to the agreement of the governments, the secretariat will seek an appropriate mandate on this matter.

WP.1 may also wish to discuss other issues.

13. Date of next session

The next session of WP.1 will be held from 29 March to 1 April 2016 in Geneva.

14. Adoption of the report of the seventy-first session

The Working Party will adopt the report of its seventy-first session.
