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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the Special session***

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday,
4 April 2018 (Salle VIII)

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Additional Protocol to the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road concerning the Electronic Consignment Note (e-CMR).
3. Digital/smart infrastructure.

* 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 Sustainable Transport Division's website (www.unece.org/trans/main/sc1/sc1.html). On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by email (roadtransport@unece.org). During the session, official documents may be obtained from the UNOG Documents Distribution Section (Room C.337, third floor, Palais des Nations). For the translations of the official documents, delegates can access the public Official Document System (ODS) on the following website: <http://documents.un.org/>

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4. Proposal for a global multilateral agreement on the international regular transport of passengers by coach and bus (OmniBUS)
5. Other business.
6. Date of next session.
7. Adoption of the report of the Special session.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the Agenda

SC.1 will be invited to adopt the session's agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/S/397

2. Additional Protocol to the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road concerning the Electronic Consignment Note (e-CMR)

At the last session, "SC.1 requested the secretariat to organize a special SC.1 session dedicated to e-CMR in early 2018 with interpretation to further discuss this issue and to decide on a way forward."

SC.1 is invited to consider and discuss options to operationalize the e-CMR including the development of a common central platform and alternative solutions. To facilitate discussion, the secretariat has written a short background paper.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/S/2018/1

3. Digital/smart infrastructure

During the last session, SC.1 stated that it was "open to and supportive of intelligent transport systems especially those relating to road infrastructure." It committed to "endeavour to organize events related to digital/smart infrastructure so that it may be better informed of emerging issues and consider how it may incorporate these developments into its work programme". Accordingly, the secretariat has invited speakers from the public, private and not-for-profit sectors. The draft programme is contained in Informal document No. 1.

Documentation

Informal document No. 1

4. Proposal for a global multilateral agreement on the international regular transport of passengers by coach and bus (OmniBUS)

During the last session, SC.1 also agreed to continue working to complete the draft OmniBUS Agreement and requested the secretariat to find suitable dates in 2018 for meetings dedicated to this task. The secretariat will endeavour to summarize the chronology

of working documents related to the draft OmniBUS Agreement so that SC.1 may recommence its work.

5. Other business

SC.1 may also wish to discuss other issues.

6. Date of next session

The next session of SC.1 is scheduled for 16 to 18 October 2018 in Geneva.

7. Adoption of the report of the Special session

The Working Party will adopt the report of its Special session.
