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Agenda item 3)

**Terms of Reference:**

**GRBP Informal Working Group on**

**Measurement Uncertainties (IWG MU) under the 1958 Agreement**

Revised draft for adoption by GRBP at its seventy-second session

(subject to WP.29 adoption)

**A. Introduction**

1. Following ECE/TRANS/WP.29/GRB/68, Agenda item V para. 8, this document establishes Terms of Reference for the work of the Informal Working Group on Measurement Uncertainties under the 1958 Agreement.
2. The aim of the Informal Working Group is to propose harmonized measures for evaluating systematic errors and random errors to improve the test procedures for at least UN Regulation No. 51 and No. 117 (for Rolling Sound emissions only) to reduce measurement uncertainties.

**B. Objective of the Informal Working Group on Measurement Uncertainties**

1. The Informal Working Group shall develop and propose harmonized measures for evaluating systematic errors and random errors based on GUM 98-3.
2. The scope and purpose of the Informal Working Group should cover at least UN Regulation No. 51 and No. 117. The Informal Working Group shall develop harmonized technical requirements for these UN Regulations with consideration to their test procedures.
3. The Informal Working Group shall, where appropriate, develop a practice guide for compensation and/or correction factors.
4. A general approach shall then be made in such a way that it is possible to use it to improve test procedures in other UN Regulations. This approach could be either documented in the Consolidated Resolution on Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3) or as a Document for reference.
5. The Informal Working Group shall report to GRBP.

**C. Rules of Procedure**

1. The Informal Working Group is open to all participants of GRBP. However, it is recommended that a maximum of two technical experts per country and organization participate in this group. The Informal Working Group will be chaired by Norway. OICA shall act as Secretary.
2. The working language will be English.
3. All documents and/or proposals must be submitted to the Secretary of the Informal Working Group in a suitable electronic format **at least one week before the session**.
4. An agenda and the latest draft document will be circulated to all members of the Informal Working Group in advance of all scheduled meetings.
5. All Informal Working Group documentation will be made available on the dedicated UNECE website.
6. The Informal Working Group decisions will be reached by consensus. When consensus cannot be reached, the Informal Working Group Chairman shall present the different points of view to GRBP and seek guidance from GRBP as appropriate.

**D. Timeline**

1. The aim of the Informal Working Group is to present
   1. during the 73rd GRBP in January 2021 a Draft document for Reference and an Informal document for amendments to UN Regulation No 51 and No 117
   2. during 74th GRBP in September 2021 a Working document for amendments to UN Regulation No 51 and No 117 for consideration and adoption
   3. during 74th GRBP in September 2021 an Informal Working document containing general Guidelines for how to improve test procedures in other UN Regulations to reduce measurement uncertainties for consideration.
   4. during 75th GRBP in January 2022 a Working document containing general Guidelines for how to improve test procedures in other UN Regulations to reduce measurement uncertainties for consideration and adoption.

**Justification**

The first draft of the Terms of Reference was adopted by GRBP at its 71st session in January 2020. Since this meeting, the IWG MU has only been able to hold one Webex meeting on April 28th. During this meeting, only a part of the original agenda (for a full 2 days meeting) was possible to be finalized. Planned later meetings had to be cancelled due to the Covid-19 situation. It also meant that important work by several members of IWG MU had to be cancelled or postponed due to the limitation of resources and other priorities in this period. Therefore, IWG MU proposes a new timeline for its work, as presented in point D in this document, to be adopted at the 72nd meeting of GRBP.