What are the current and future activities of WP.29 to reduce CO$_2$ emissions by road vehicles

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Agreements administered by WP.29

- 1958 Agreement (UN-ECE Regulations)

- 1998 Global Agreement
  (Global Technical Regulations – GTR)

- 1997 Agreement
  on Periodical Technical Inspections
WP.29 has a double function:

Firstly, it is a Forum, a Latin word which means an open place for discussion.

Secondly, this Forum is dedicated to the harmonization of vehicle regulations, and all the discussions in WP.29 shall be focussed on it.

Basically we are limited to vehicle regulations covered by our terms of reference and the agreements we administer.
WP 29 : what we cannot do [at the moment...]

- market-fuel quality regulations

- regulations based on well to wheel approach

- regulations based on whole lifecycle of vehicles

and

- WP.29 cannot make regulations mandatory as legislation – this is up to the Contracting Parties
A possible strategy
to reduce transport CO2 emissions
and to
improve energy efficiency of vehicles
A possible strategy

Short-term objective
through an improved energy efficiency and the
use of sustainable biofuels (2015);

Midterm objective
development and introduction into the
market of plug-in hybrid vehicles (2020-2025)

Long-term objective
development and introduction into the market of
electric and hydrogen/fuel cell vehicles (2030-2040).
A possible strategy

This strategy would shift the automotive sector from the use of fossil energy to the use of hydrogen and electric energy. For the effectiveness of that integrated strategy, the energy sector has to ensure the sustainable and cost-effective generation of electricity and production of hydrogen.
Since more than 30 years the enormous reduction of pollutant- and noise emissions of vehicles is a story of success.

Today the reduction of GHG emissions (especially CO2) and improvement of energy efficiency in the transport sector moves more and more into the foreground.

In this regard WP.29 and subsidiary Working Parties works on the amendment or development of harmonized regulations concerning a large number of measures, e.g.:
- Hybrid-, Electric-, and Fuel Cell Vehicles
  (environmental related regulations, as well as safety requirements ensuring a similar safety level compared to conventional vehicles)

- Vehicle Regulations for the use of alternative fuels (gas, biofuels)

- Advanced engine management systems

- Reduction of rolling resistance (tyres, ...)

- Installation of electric devices with a low energy consumption

- Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS)
(1) **WLTP**

**Worldwide harmonized Light vehicles Test Procedures**

Develop new emissions test cycles and procedures for light vehicles with regard to the emissions of gaseous pollutants (NOx, CO, HC) and particles, including CO2 and fuel consumption

Worldwide harmonised test cycles for Heavy Duty Vehicles (WHDC – GTR No. 4) and Two Wheelers (WMTC – GTR No. 2) are already finalised and adopted GTR‘s
(2) HFCV / HEV

Hydrogen & Fuel Cell Vehicles / Hybrid Electric Vehicles

Development of new regulations or amendment of existing ones

- with regard to the measurement of the fuel consumption and CO2 emissions, electric energy consumption

- with regard to safety aspects of Hydrogen storage and fuel systems as well as electric safety (high voltage)
(3) EFV

*Environmentally Friendly Vehicles*

To continue a fruitful cooperation between WP.29 and future international conferences on Environmentally Friendly Vehicles (EFV) and to foster the development and introduction of EFVs as well as renewable fuels. (b) To review, in a short term view, the feasibility of the proposed EFV concept (evaluation method, integrated approach).
**Documentation**

**Main document:**
UNECE activities on the reduction of emissions of gaseous pollutants and greenhouse gases in the transport sector


European strategy on clean and energy efficient vehicles

(linked to the CARS 21 process – taking global issues into account)
European strategy on clean and energy efficient vehicles

Medium and long term objectives & actions: Research, regulatory/standardisation framework, … to promote a new industrial approach, based on clean and energy efficient vehicles, supporting the decarbonisation of transport, to create a green and sustainable economy.

Approach: technology neutral

Considered powertrains:  
-- Alternative Fuels (combustion engine)  
-- Electric and Hybrid Vehicles  
-- Hydrogen Fuel Cell Vehicles
The German governmental transport fuel & energy strategy

A modern and sustainable strategy for future transport [and mobility]
The German governmental transport fuel & energy strategy

- Hybrid-Technology
- reduction of CO₂ emissions / improvement of energy efficiency
- substitution of current biofuels
- improvement of conventional powertrains
- CNG
- Elektrification of powertrains
  -- pure electric
  -- H₂ / FC
- Synthetic biofuels (e.g. BTL)

Electrification of vehicles is part of the German governmental fuel strategy.
Thank you for your attention