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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SIXTIETH SESSION^{1,2}

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva,
starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 15 June 2009

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. UNECE Inland Transport Committee and its subsidiary bodies.

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3. Sustainable transport: Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP).
4. Methodological development and harmonization of transport statistics:
 - (a) Classification system for transport statistics (NST 2007);
 - (b) Statistics on passenger transport by buses and coaches;
 - (c) Glossary for Transport Statistics;
 - (d) Common questionnaire;
 - (e) Questionnaire on road traffic accident statistics;
 - (f) Transport of gas through pipelines;
 - (g) Pilot questionnaire on road traffic performance;
 - (h) Statistics on transport of dangerous goods;
 - (i) Statistics on transport by light goods vehicles;
 - (j) Statistics on transit traffic.
5. Traffic censuses in the UNECE region:
 - (a) 2005 E-Road traffic census;
 - (b) 2005 E-Rail traffic census;
 - (c) 2010 E-Road traffic census;
 - (d) 2010 E-Rail traffic census.
6. Collection and dissemination of statistics by UNECE, and gap analysis.
7. Intersecretariat Working Group on Transport Statistics (IWG).
8. Statistical activities of international organizations of interest to the Working Party:
 - (a) European Commission (DG Transport and Energy);
 - (b) European Commission (Eurostat);
 - (c) International Transport Forum (ITF);
 - (d) European Railway Agency (ERA);
 - (e) European Environment Agency (EEA);
 - (f) International Union of Railways (UIC);
 - (g) Other international organizations.
9. Draft programme of work for 2010-2014.
10. Other business:
 - (a) Use of data from road-pricing systems in transport statistics;
 - (b) Information on upcoming meetings on transport statistics.
11. Date of next session.
12. Summary of decisions.

II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 Adoption of the agenda

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/WP.6/156

1. In accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, the first item to be considered is the adoption of the agenda.

Item 2 UNECE Inland Transport Committee and its subsidiary bodies

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/206; ECE/TRANS/2009/6; ECE/TRANS/2009/7; ECE/TRANS/2009/8; ECE/TRANS/WP.5/GE.1/7

2. The Working Party may wish to be informed of the results of the seventy-first session of the ITC (24-26 February 2009), in particular of its considerations and decisions relating to 2010 E-road and E-rail traffic censuses, port hinterland transport, transport security, transport and trade facilitation (from the perspectives of global supply chains), global warming, as well as of any other activities of its subsidiary bodies and the UNECE secretariat of interest to the Working Party.

3. The Inland Transport Committee **approved** as a whole the report and related activities of the Working Party on Transport Statistics (ECE/TRANS/206, para. 107).

4. The Inland Transport Committee **requested** its subsidiary bodies to address the subject of global warming and transport, as appropriate, within their work, and the secretariat to ensure the necessary coordination and backstopping of these activities, including fuel quality standards (ECE/TRANS/206, para. 28).

5. The Inland Transport Committee **endorsed** the review of the gender issues in transport and **requested** the secretariat to circulate the related documents to all Committee's subsidiary bodies for consideration (ECE/TRANS/206, para. 13).

6. The Working Party may wish to be informed on the activities of the Group of Experts on Hinterland Connections of Seaports (ECE/TRANS/WP.5/GE.1/7).

Item 3 Sustainable transport: Transport, Health and Environment Pan-European Programme (THE PEP)

7. The Working Party may wish to be informed on the outcome of the third High-level Meeting on Transport, Health and Environment (Amsterdam, Netherlands, 22-23 January 2009) and the adopted "Amsterdam Declaration".

Item 4 Methodological development and harmonization of transport statistics

(a) Classification system for transport statistics (NST 2007)

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/WP.6/155; ECE/TRANS/WP.6/155/Add.1;
ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/3; ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/4

8. At its fifty-ninth session, the Working Party requested the secretariat to prepare a document on Central Product Classification (CPC) for consideration at its present session. The Working Party may wish to discuss and approve a proposal on correspondence between relevant items - corresponding to NST 2007 - in Classification of Products by Activity (CPA) 2008 with CPC ver.2 (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/4).

9. The Working Party may wish to take note of the new structure of the version 2 of CPC (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/3).

(b) Statistics on passenger transport by buses and coaches

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/1; ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/2; Informal document WP.6 No. 1 (2009)

10. After the last WP.6 session, the WP.6 Task Force on Buses and Coaches met twice: on 25 and 26 September 2008 in Wiesbaden (Germany) and on 12 and 13 February 2009 in Prague (Czech Republic).

11. The Working Party may wish to consider and approve the draft handbook on statistics on passenger transport by buses and coaches (Informal document WP.6 No.1 (2009)), drawn up by the WP.6 Task Force on Buses and Coaches. A summary of this handbook is contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/1.

12. The Working Party may also wish to consider and approve the collection of data through the questionnaire on passenger transport by buses and coaches contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/2 as proposed by the WP.6 Task Force on Buses and Coaches.

(c) Glossary for Transport Statistics

Documentation: Informal document WP.6 No. 2 (2009)

13. The Working Party may wish to take note of the fourth edition of the Glossary for Transport Statistics.

(d) Common questionnaire

Documentation: Informal document WP.6 No. 3 (2009)

14. The Working Party may wish to be informed by the secretariat about the status of availability of data collected through the common questionnaire for transport statistics.

(e) Questionnaire on road traffic accident statistics

Documentation: Informal document WP.6 No. 4 (2009)

15. The Working Party may wish to be informed by the secretariat on the status of availability of data on road traffic accidents.

(f) Transport of gas through pipelines

Documentation: Informal document WP.6 No. 5 (2009)

16. At its last session, the Working Party invited the Intersecretariat Working Group on Transport Statistics (IWG) to prepare a pilot questionnaire on transport statistics of gas through pipelines and agreed that the results of the data collection via the Common Questionnaire should be reported at its present session (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/155, para. 25). The Working Party may wish to discuss this item on the basis of Informal document No. 5.

(g) Pilot questionnaire on road traffic performance

Documentation: Informal document WP.6 No. 6 (2009)

17. At its last session, the Working Party requested the IWG to review the results of the pilot questionnaire on road traffic performance and report back to the Working Party at its present session (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/155, para. 27). The Working Party may wish to discuss this item on the basis of informal document No. 6.

(h) Statistics on transport of dangerous goods

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/5

18. The Working Party may wish to be informed by the secretariat on the results of a pilot questionnaire circulated to some member States to examine the availability of statistics for the transport of dangerous goods (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/5).

19. The Working Party may also wish to be informed by Eurostat on the methodology for collecting statistics on the transport of dangerous goods (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/155, para. 49).

(i) Statistics on transport by light goods vehicles

20. During the last session of the Working Party, delegations were invited to present their systems for collecting data on light goods vehicles, if any, at the current session (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/155, para. 50).

(j) Statistics on transit traffic

21. The Working Party may wish to be informed by Eurostat on the methodology for collecting statistics on transit traffic. The representative of the United States of America will present information on transit statistics (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/155, para. 49).

Item 5 Traffic censuses in the UNECE region

(a) 2005 E-Road traffic census

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/18

22. The Working Party may wish to be informed about the results of the 2005 E-Road traffic census (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/18, paras. 5-7).

(b) 2005 E-Rail traffic census

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.4/4

23. The Working Party may wish to be informed about the results of the 2005 E-Rail traffic census (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.4/4, paras. 5-9).

(c) 2010 E-Road traffic census

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/206, annex II ; ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/18;
ECE/TRANS/2009/11

24. The Inland Transport Committee **approved** Resolution No. 259 on 2010 E-Road traffic census (ECE/TRANS/206, annex II) and the recommendations to governments related to this census prepared by WP.6 ad hoc groups of experts (ECE/TRANS/2009/11), and **requested** member States that did not participate in the 2005 E-Road traffic census to ensure their participation in the 2010 census.

25. The Working Party may wish to review the report of the ad hoc group of experts on the E-Road traffic census, including the calendar of activities related to the 2010 E-Road traffic census (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/18).

26. The Working Party may wish to note that the ad hoc group of experts **decided** to invite the Working Party to discuss best practices in collecting data for E-Road traffic census, including the formal procedure and timetable for preparing the methodology for the next census in 2015. Particular interest was expressed concerning experiences in counting foreign vehicles and the need for information on speed and congestion (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.2/18, para. 14).

27. The Working Party may wish to be informed by the representative of the European Commission on their needs as user of the statistics collected through the E-Road traffic census.

(d) 2010 E-Rail traffic census

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/206; Annex III; ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.4/4;
ECE/TRANS/2009/12

28. The Committee **approved** Resolution No. 260 on 2010 E-Rail traffic census (ECE/TRANS/206, annex III) and the recommendations to governments related to this census prepared by WP.6 ad hoc groups of experts (ECE/TRANS/2009/12), and **requested** member States that did not participate in the 2005 census to ensure their participation in the 2010 census.

29. The Working Party may wish to review the report of the ad hoc group of experts on the E-Rail traffic census, including the calendar of activities related to the 2010 census (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.4/4).

30. The Working Party may wish to note that the ad hoc group of experts **decided** to invite the Working Party to discuss best practices in collecting data for E-Rail traffic census and to encourage more countries to participate in the 2010 census. Possible feedback and/or proposals from the Eurostat Working Group on Rail Transport Statistics (April 2009) should be considered at the present session (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/AC.4/4, para. 15).

Item 6 Collection and dissemination of statistics by UNECE, and gap analysis

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/6; Informal document WP.6 No. 7 (2009)

31. The Working Party may wish to be informed by the secretariat about the status of publication of annual bulletins on the web in Excel. In addition, the Working Party may wish to consider a secretariat document containing an analysis of the availability of transport statistics collected by UNECE.

Item 7 Intersecretariat Working Group on Transport Statistics

32. The Working Party may wish to be informed on the activities of the Intersecretariat Working Group on Transport Statistics.

Item 8 Statistical activities of international organizations of interest to the Working Party

33. The Working Party may wish to receive reports from the representatives of the following organizations on their current and future activities in the field of transport statistics:

- (a) European Commission (DG Transport and Energy);
- (b) European Commission (Eurostat);
- (c) International Transport Forum (ITF);
- (d) European Railway Agency (ERA);
- (e) European Environment Agency (EEA);
- (f) International Union of Railways (UIC);
- (g) Other international organizations.

Item 9 Draft programme of work for 2010-2014

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2009/7

34. The Working Party may wish to discuss its draft programme of work for 2010-2014.

Item 10 Other business

(a) Use of data from road-pricing systems in the transport statistics

35. The Chairman of the Working Group proposed to include in the draft agenda a new item on the use of data from road-pricing systems in transport statistics. Delegations are invited to present the practice in their countries.

(b) Information on upcoming meetings on transport statistics

36. The Working Party may wish to consider dates and locations of upcoming meetings on transport statistics in 2009-2010.

Item 11 Date of next session

37. The next session of the Working Party is tentatively scheduled to be held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva from 31 May to 2 June 2010.

Item 12 Summary of decisions

Documentation: ECE/TRANS/156

38. In accordance with the decision of the ITC (ECE/TRANS/156, para. 6), at the end of the session the Chairman will make a brief summary of the decisions taken. Following the session, the UNECE secretariat, in cooperation with the Chairman, will draw up a report on the outcome of the session.
