

**Brief Report to GRPE
about the progress made by
EFV Informal Group
during its
6th meeting held at Geneva
on 15th January, 2010.**

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- The representative from IEA informed that CO₂ emissions/ fuel efficiency can be taken as the starting point for developing EFV concept. And also suggested that the existing framework and standards for fuel efficiency and testing can form the basis for initiating work.
- The representative from OICA viewed that it needs to be decided by the Informal Group members whether it would be better to concentrate to any one single concept or whether it would be better to have a more holistic approach

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- Chairman of Informal Group on EFV informed that the whole approach to development of the concept of EFV was started with the idea of having an holistic approach, however, in the work already carried out in the Phase-I of the Informal Group, it has emerged that it may not be feasible to follow an holistic approach.
- Mr. Romain Hubert informed that Phase – I of the working group has lead to the conclusion that it may not be possible to have one fixed definition of EFV as the concept is very complex with many dimensions.

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- Mr. Christoph Albus recalled that the informal group on EFV had initially started with the idea of having an holistic approach to defining EFV s, however after discussions in Phase – I, a number of reasons emerged which lead to the conclusion that it is not possible to have one single score to define EFV. Therefore, it was concluded that it may not be possible to have holistic approach to EFV concept.
- Chairman requested all the members to provide their thoughts and proposals, if any, to chalk out the path of EFV concept that needs to be developed.

After the deliberations and discussions in the 6th IG EFV Meeting, the Chairman circulated a brief note to all IG EFV members on 1st March 2010.

Following parameters were finalized on which the EFV concept will be developed. The Indian Experts prepared the Documents on these parameters (except on Type of fuel, as the feasibility of this parameter need to be re-looked) which are uploaded on the UNECE website.

- 1. CO2 Emission**
- 2. Noise**
- 3. Regulated Pollutants**
- 4. Recyclability**
- 5. Type of Fuel**

Road Map for the 2nd EFV Phase:

- Members should be aware of the steps and targets for this second phase of the working Informal group.
- Informal group should start its work based on the output of First Phase i.e. the proposal as contained in the document GRPE 58 – 03 **(Feasibility Statement for the development of a methodology to evaluate Environmentally Friendly Vehicles, EFV)**
- India will continue to chair Informal Group on EFV till the end of 2012.

Next Steps / Schedule:

- 7th meeting of informal group is scheduled on 11th June 2010, Friday at 14:30 hr. Room no. C 529, Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Thank You

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