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Twenty-second session

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Item 6 of the provisional agenda

Reports of informal working groups**Proposal to update the work schedule of the informal working group on the training of experts for the period 2013 to 2014****Transmitted by the Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine (CCNR)¹**

1. At the request of the informal working group on the training of experts, CCNR herewith submits to the ADN Safety Committee the updated work schedule (see annex) for a decision. The work schedule is based on the previous version (see informal document INF.23 from the twenty-first session), adapted to the current decision.
2. The informal working group recommends that the ADN Safety Committee accept the proposed version of the work schedule.
3. Next meeting: 21 and 22 March 2013 at the CCNR headquarters in Strasbourg.

Other meetings are scheduled for March 2014 and September 2014.

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Annex

I. Work schedule of the informal working group on the training of experts

1. Given the increasing scope of its tasks, the ADN Safety Committee decided at its twenty-first session to rename the informal working group on the catalogue of questions as the informal working group on the training of experts. The responsibilities of the informal working group on the training of experts include the drafting and adaptation of the ADN catalogue of questions, as well as consultation on the application and quality of the courses and examinations proposed under the training of experts (mandate in line with the resolution adopted by the ADN Safety Committee at its twenty-first session: ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/44, paragraphs 39–43, and informal document INF.7 from the twenty-first session).

2. The main tasks of the informal working group on the training of experts for 2013–2014 are:

- Management and updating of the catalogue of questions (Priority I, see No. 1)
- Continuous evaluation of the training of experts (Priority I, see No. 2)
- Adaptation of the requirements concerning training (chapter 8.2) (Priority II, see No. 3)
- Individual contracts for the training of experts (Priority II, see No. 4)

No.	Tasks	Mandate/purpose	Start	End	Reference	Priority
1.	Management and updating of the catalogue of questions	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/44, paras. 39–40 Informal document INF.7 (21st session)	01/2013	12/2014		I
1.1	<i>Harmonization of the current catalogue of questions in German with the French version (January 2012)</i>					
1.2	<i>Updating of the table of documents for alignment of the ADN catalogue of questions</i>					
1.3	<i>Alignment of the ADN catalogue of questions as of January 2013 to reflect planned amendments to ADN 2015</i>					
	<i>Substantive questions</i>				Confidential documents:	
	<i>The substantive questions (as of November 2010) will be communicated to national delegations on request to the UNECE secretariat (the substantive questions will probably be revised only in 2014).</i>				ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2011/4 to 17	
	<i>Multiple-choice questions</i>				Public documents:	
	<i>After confirmation by the ADN Safety Committee, the multiple-choice questions (as of January 2013) may be downloaded for free from the CCNR website (German and other languages) and the ECE website (English, French and Russian).</i>				Multiple-choice questions – Basic training: WP.15/AC.2/ 2013/INF.5	
					Multiple-choice questions – Gas: WP.15/AC.2/ 2013/INF.3	
					Multiple-choice questions – Chemicals: WP.15/AC.2/13/INF.4	

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	<i>Description of tasks</i>					
2.	Continuous evaluation of training of experts	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/44, paras. 39–40 Informal document INF.7 (21st session)	01/2013	12/2014		I
2.1	<i>Alignment of the Guidelines of the Administrative Committee of ADN for the use of the catalogue of questions for the ADN expert examination when the current ADN catalogue of questions is amended</i>				ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/2012/22	
2.2	<i>Assessment of survey “Status of training and examinations in conformity with chapter 8.2 of the Regulations annexed to ADN”</i>				ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/40, paras. 44–45 WP.15/AC.2/19/INF.8 (survey) WP.15/AC.2/19/INF.19 – Com. BE (feedback from Belgium) CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WG/CQ/2011/17 – Com. CH (feedback from Switzerland) CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WG/CQ/2011/18 – Com. DE (feedback from Germany) CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WG/CQ/2011/19 – Com. NL (feedback from the Netherlands) CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WG/CQ/2011/23 – Com. AT (feedback from Austria) CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WG/CQ/2011/24 – Com. RS (feedback from Serbia) WP.15/AC.2/21/INF.2 – Com. RO (feedback from Romania) CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WG/CQ/2012/18 – Com. DE (summary of responses to questions on training)	
2.3	<i>Exchange with course organizers and evaluation centres</i>					

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3.	Adaptation of requirements concerning training (chapter 8.2)	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/44, paras. 39–40 Informal document INF.7 (21st session)	01/2013	12/2014	CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WG/CQ/2012/5 CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WP.15/AC.2/38, V., I., para. 29 CCNR-ZKR/ADN/WG/CQ/2012/19 – Com. DE (term “written”) ECE/TRANS/ADN/WP.15/AC.2/2013/3, No. 18–21 (<i>report of the informal working group on the training of experts of 12 and 13 September 2012</i>)	II
	Discussion of the results of item 2 and the objective of harmonization with chapter 8.2 of ADR					
4.	Individual tasks regarding training of experts	ECE/TRANS/WP.15/AC.2/44, paras. 39–40 Informal document INF.7 (21st session)	01/2013	12/2014		II
	<i>The informal working group clarifies specific questions submitted by the ADN Safety Committee for consideration and prepares draft decisions for the ADN Safety Committee.</i>					