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2. Classification criteria and hazard communication

(a) Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on physical hazards


INF.5 (Germany) Desensitized explosives

INF.17 (Secretariat) Work of the TDG Sub-Committee on its 43rd session

(b) Practical classification issues

The Sub-Committee will be informed of the outcome of the meeting of the informal working group to be held on Tuesday 2 July (see INF.12).

(c) Corrosivity criteria

INF.9 and –Add.1 (CEFIC) Harmonisation of the skin corrosion classification criteria in the UN Model Regulations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods with those in GHS

INF.11 (United Kingdom) Consistency of classification criteria in the UN Model Regulations and in the GHS: Options for a way forward and agenda for the meeting of the joint working group on corrosivity criteria

The Sub-Committee will be informed of the outcome of the meeting of the joint TDG-GHS informal working group to be held on Monday 1 July (see INF.12).

(d) Dust explosion hazards

The Sub-Committee will be informed about the progress of work of the informal correspondence group since the last session.

(e) Aspiration hazard: viscosity criterion for classification of mixtures

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda item.

(f) Nanomaterials

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2013/3 (France) Review of the applicability of the GHS as regards the hazardous properties of nanomaterials

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2013/4 (Australia) Classification and hazard communication of nanomaterials
3. Hazard communication issues

(a) Revision of section 9 of Annex 4

The Sub-Committee will be informed of the outcome of the meeting of the informal working group to be held on Monday 1 July (see INF.12).

(b) Labelling of small packagings

INF.13 (CEFIC) Labelling of small packagings
The Sub-Committee will be informed of the outcome of the meeting of the informal working group to be held on Tuesday 2 July (see INF.12).

(c) Improvement of annexes 1 to 3 and further rationalization of precautionary statements

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(d) Miscellaneous

INF.7 (DGAC) Practical alternatives to empty pictogram frames
INF.8 (DGAC) Size of GHS pictograms relative to transport labels and placards
INF.18 (Sweden) Discussion paper on the need for a new precautionary statement for pyrotechnic articles

4. Implementation of the GHS

(a) Development of a list of chemicals classified in accordance with the GHS

INF.10 (Secretariat) Comparison between transport classification (Rev.17) and EU CLP Regulation (up to its 4th adaptation to technical progress)
INF.14 (USA) Assessing the potential development of a global list of classified chemicals
(b) Reports on the status of implementation

Experts, observers and international organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about progress in the GHS implementation in their respective countries or areas of work.

(c) Cooperation with other bodies or international organisations

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda item.

(d) Miscellaneous

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda item.

5. Development of guidance on the application of GHS criteria

INF.6 (Secretariat) Examples on the application of the GHS criteria

6. Capacity building

INF.16 (Secretariat) Activities of the UNITAR/ILO Global GHS Capacity Building Programme and UNITAR/ILO/OECD WSSD GHS Partnership

7. Other business

INF.4 (Secretariat) Confirmation of the OECD Task Force on Hazard Assessment as focal point for work on health and environmental hazards

8. Adoption of the report

In accordance with established practice, the Sub-Committee may wish to adopt the report on its twenty-fifth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.