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Programme of work and biennial evaluation

Biennial evaluation

Note by the secretariat

Background

- As in previous biennia, WP.11 is expected to draw up a draft expected accomplishment related to its area of work as well as related indicators of achievement.
- At its sixty-seventh session in 2011, WP.11 adopted the proposal that appears below which was subsequently endorsed by the Inland Transport Committee.

<i>Cluster</i>	<i>Expected accomplishments</i>	<i>Indicators of achievement</i>
Transport of perishable foodstuffs	Enhanced and updated international requirements for the transport of perishable foodstuffs	<p>(a) Number of new amendments to the ATP adopted by WP.11</p> <p>Performance measures: Baseline: 2010-2011: 10 Target: 2012-2013: 12</p> <p>(b) Total number of Contracting Parties to the ATP Agreement</p> <p>Performance measures: Baseline: 2010-2011: 45 Target: 2012-2013: 47</p> <p>(c) Number of countries replying to the questionnaire on the implementation of the ATP</p> <p>Performance measures: Baseline: 2010-2011: 12 Target: 2012-2013: 20</p>

3. The Working Party is invited to evaluate the performance of its activities in view of the expected accomplishments and related indicators drawn up in 2011. For this purpose, it may wish to review the draft accomplishment account below, drafted by the secretariat and consisting of an evaluation of the results achieved until July 2013.

4. At its seventy-seventh session in 2014, the ITC will be invited to review the draft accomplishment accounts prepared for each expected accomplishment by the secretariat. The ITC will discuss the lessons learned and take programmatic measures.

Draft accomplishment account

(a) Number of new amendments to the ATP adopted by WP.11

5. At its sixty-eighth session in 2012, WP.11 adopted two proposed amendments to the ATP which appear in Annex I to the report of the session, ECE/TRANS/WP.11/226. The number of new amendments to be adopted at the sixty-ninth session of WP.11 in 2013 will not be known until after the session (8-11 October 2013) so it is not yet possible to ascertain whether the target of 12 for 2012-2013 will be reached.

(b) Total number of Contracting Parties to the ATP Agreement

6. At the time of writing, there are 48 Contracting Parties to ATP. The target of two new Contracting Parties to the ATP has therefore been achieved in the biennium 2012-2013. The most recent Contracting Parties are Tajikistan in December 2011, Kyrgyzstan in October 2012 and Turkey in December 2012. There is still potential for new Contracting Parties to the Agreement. Of the 56 UNECE member States, Armenia, Canada, Cyprus, Iceland, Israel, Liechtenstein, Malta, San Marino, Switzerland and Turkmenistan are not yet ATP Contracting Parties. The ATP is also being promoted to other countries in the Mediterranean area such as Algeria, Egypt, Israel and Jordan. These countries are already parties to other UNECE legal instruments. It is recommended that this indicator of achievement be kept in 2014-2015.

(c) Number of countries replying to the questionnaire on the implementation of the ATP.

7. In 2012, 16 countries replied to the questionnaire on the implementation of the ATP. In 2013, at the time of writing, 15 countries had replied. The indicator of achievement of 20 countries replying has therefore not been achieved. It is recommended that this indicator of achievement be kept in 2014-2015 but that WP.11 discusses how more countries could be encouraged to respond to the questionnaire.

8. The secretariat will update the accomplishment accounts once all the data for the biennium are available.

Proposed evaluation for the 2014-2015 biennium

9. The WP.11 is invited to discuss, modify and adopt the proposed biennial evaluation for 2014-2015 which appears below and which will be submitted to the seventy-seventh session of the ITC in 2014.

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