

## DRAFT

# Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Informal Group of GRE [on the Simplification of the UN Lighting and Light-Signalling Regulations]

## I. Terms of Reference

1. The informal group shall develop administrative simplifications to the 41 UN Regulations in the scope of GRE (with particular attention to removing the need for multiple/collective amendments).
2. The informal group shall propose a new approach to reform the practice of multiple/collective amendments. The informal group may consider (but is not limited by):
  - a reduction in the overall number of regulations by consolidation and / or grouping of existing regulations containing identical or similar provisions.
  - a central document, [for example in R.E.3], (containing provisions common to most of the lighting and light-signalling UN Regulations) to which the 41 Regulations would refer. (The informal group may take benefit from the work formerly carried out in the informal working group on the “Horizontal Reference Document”).
3. In parallel, the informal group shall develop performance based requirements to ensure freedom for technical innovation within a framework of safety principles.
4. The target completion date for the work of the informal group shall be the [73<sup>rd</sup>] [74<sup>th</sup>] session of GRE in [March] [October] 2015 but the performance based requirements may be delivered as a second phase by the [75<sup>th</sup> session of GRE in March 2016].
5. The informal group is intended to make proposals to GRE. The adoption process remains the responsibility of GRE, WP.29 and AC.1 in line with the rules defined by the 1958 Agreement.

## II. Rules of Procedure

1. The informal group is a sub-group of GRE, and is open to Contracting Parties, Vehicle Manufacturers and Suppliers, Technical Services, Automotive Lighting Experts, etc.
2. A Chair, [a Co-Chair] and a Secretary will manage the informal group.
3. The official working language of the informal group will be English.
4. All documents and/or proposals must be submitted to the Secretary of the group in a suitable electronic format in advance of the meeting. The group may refuse to discuss any item or proposal which has not been circulated 10 working days in advance.
5. An agenda and related documents will be made available on the website by the Secretary of the group, in advance of all scheduled meetings.
6. Decisions will be reached by consensus. When consensus cannot be reached, the Chair of the group shall present the different points of view to GRE. The Chair may seek guidance from GRE as appropriate.
7. The progress of the informal group shall be routinely reported to GRE, wherever possible as an informal document, and presented by the Chair, the Secretary or their representative(s).
8. All working documents shall be made available by the Secretary on the website of the group: [<https://www2.unece.org/wiki/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=.....>]