Expert group Road Signs and Signals

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- September 2012 WP1(ECE/TRANS/WP.1/137) :
 - Formal expert group
 - Preparation Terms of Reference
- March 2013 WP1 adopted (ECE/TRANS/WP1/139) the Terms of Reference (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2013/2/Rev.1)
- March 2014 first session of Group of Experts on Signs and Signals (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.2/2)

Terms of Reference (ToR)

Three main objectives:

assess the internal consistencies of the 1968
 Convention on Road Signs and Signals and
 the 1971 European Agreement supplementing
 the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and
 Signals. Consider the coherence of these two
 international legal instruments.

Terms of Reference (ToR)

2. take stock of the existing national legislation (of each Contracting Party to these two legal instruments) to describe and assess the degree of implementation of the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals and the 1971 European Agreement supplementing the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals in these Contracting Parties.

Terms of Reference (ToR)

3. write and submit a final report. In general, the report will aim at identifying any perceived inadequacies and inconsistencies of the two legal instruments; and inconsistencies between these two legal instruments and the existing national legislation.

The final report may propose amendments to the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals and the 1971 European Agreement supplementing the 1968 Convention on Road Signs and Signals.

E-Corss

- Electronic version of the Convention on Road Signs and Signals (no replacement)
- Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals, May 2016 (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.2/14, §7)
- WP1, September 2016 (ECE/TRANS/WP1/155, §26)
- Modern user friendly tool
- Will simply reflect the decisions of WP1(&EGRSS)
- Higher degree of implementation
- New ratifications
- WP1 in 21st Century

State of Play

 ToR 1 – inconsistencies and coherence;



 ToR 2 - taking stock of national legislation, degree of implementation;

90%

State of Play

• ToR 3 – report identifying inadequacies and inconsistencies of the two legal instruments; and inconsistencies between these two legal instruments and the existing national legislation.



State of Play - Non-convention signs

 List of signs ordered by priority (informal document nr. 2 of the 18th session of the expert group)

No recommendations yet, not in draft report.

State of Play - E-Corss

- Living document
- Tries to keep track with the recommendations (decisions WP1)
- Variety of possible signs
- Centralisation of information

Extension of the Mandate

- Global Forum for Road Traffic Safety, September 2019 (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/165, §24 & 25):
 - Convention signs March 2019
 - Non-Convention signs September 2019
- Expert Group RSS (February 2019 ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.2/36):
 "the Group was of the view that more time was essential to complete the work for which it was mandated. The Group requested the Chair to seek an extension of its mandate until the end of this 2019."
- Petition of some of the members of the Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals of 21st March – "an extended mandate is essential for completing the GERSS's mission according to the TOR and for approving the e-CoRSS content."

Petition

TO: Luciana Iorio, Chair, Global Road Safety Forum, 21 March, 20190

We, the members of the Group of Expert Road Signs and Signals, all agree that an extended mandate is essential for completing the GERSS's mission according to the TOR and for approving the e-CoRSS content.

Please share this document with the delegates of the Global Road Safety Forum. Thank you.

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Estonia, E. Tammel, Delegate

Finland, T. Osterman, Delegate

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Lithuania, D. Bial, Delegate

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Portugal, R. Fonseca, Delegate

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Spain, A. Lucas, Delegate

Switzerland, R. Kramer, Delegate

FSV, Austria, S. Egger, Member

CILT, Nigeria, B.E. Filibus, Member

A-Mazing Designs, USA, M. Pronin, Member

GERSS delegates from France, Latvia, and Romania were not reachable in time for inclusion in this document. It should be noted that Mr. David of France has orally expressed very strong support for continuing the EG's mandate.

GERSS delegates from Germany, Luxembourg, and Sweden are not included on this list. The WP.1 delegates from these countries prefer to express their views in person at the WP.1 meeting.

Extension of the Mandate?

- If extension is accepted specify!
- If accepted Timeframe end 2020 (WP1- ITC Excom)



