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Geneva, 15 and 16 July 2019

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the eighth session*, **

to be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva starting at 10 a.m. on Monday, 15 July 2019,
Room XXIII, Palais des Nations

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Transport Infrastructure Construction costs: Presentations of good practices at national levels for evaluating and calculating construction costs.
3. Transport Infrastructure Construction costs: Presentations of terminologies used.
4. Transport Infrastructure Construction Costs: Overview of main concerns and considerations.
5. Discussions on the structure of the final report of the Group of Experts.
6. Other business.

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7. Date and place of next meeting.
8. Adoption of main decisions.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Group of Experts on Benchmarking Transport Infrastructure Construction Costs (GE.4) is invited to adopt its agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.5/GE.4/15

2. Transport Infrastructure Construction costs: Presentations of good practices at national levels for evaluating and calculating construction costs

GE.4 is expected to continue its discussion on draft chapter 2 of its final report. This chapter is to discuss models, methodologies, tools and good practices for evaluating, calculating and analyzing inland transport infrastructure construction costs.

3. Transport Infrastructure Construction costs: Presentations of terminologies used

GE.4 is expected to continue its discussion on ports and inland waterway transport infrastructure terminology in the context of benchmarking transport infrastructure construction costs.

4. Transport Infrastructure Construction Costs: Overview of main concerns and considerations

GE.4 may wish to discuss the challenges which it has been facing in delivering on its mandate and attempt to identify ways for addressing those challenges.

5. Discussions on the structure of the final report of the Group of Experts

GE.4 is expected to continue its discussion on draft chapter 1 of its final report, which should illustrate and describe the benchmarking of the construction costs for the different inland transport networks and nodes. GE.4 is expected to consider in this discussion the replies already received to the questionnaire on road construction costs as well as comments on the list of terminologies.

GE.4 may wish to review the structure of its final report already discussed at its previous sessions, including recommendations and proposals to the UNECE countries on benchmarking transport infrastructure constructions costs. The Group's Terms of Reference stipulates the submission of a full report of its accomplishments, including policy-oriented recommendations.

6. Other business

GE.4 may wish to discuss other issues of interest.

7. Date and place of next meeting

GE.4 may wish to note that the ninth session is tentatively scheduled to be held in Geneva on 30 September and 1 October 2019.

8. Adoption of main decisions

In accordance with established practice, the Chair will briefly summarize the decisions taken. Following the session, the Secretary, in cooperation with the Chair and Vice-Chair(s), will draft the final report.
