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Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation

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Geneva, 9 October 2020

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Revised annotated provisional agenda for the fifty-seventh session*. **. ***

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, on Friday 9 October 2020 at 10 a.m.

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Outcome of the informal virtual meeting of the Working Party (29 and 30 June 2020).
3. Impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on inland navigation and actions to be undertaken under the framework of the Economic Commission for Europe.
4. Inland waterways infrastructure:
 - (a) Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (Blue Book);
 - (b) Inventory of most important bottlenecks and missing links in the E Waterway Network (resolution No. 49, revision 2).

* Delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the ECE Sustainable Transport Division's website www.unece.org/trans/main/sc3/wp3/wp3doc_2020.html.

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5. Standardization of technical and safety requirements in inland navigation:
 - (a) European Code for Inland Waterways (resolution No. 24, revision 5);
 - (b) Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (resolution No. 61, revision 2);
 - (c) Prevention of pollution of inland waterways by vessels (resolution No. 21, revised).
6. Provisions for passenger daily trip vessels.
7. Promotion of River Information Services and other Information and Communication Technologies in inland navigation:
 - (a) International Standard for Tracking and Tracing on Inland Waterways (annex to resolution No. 63, revised);
 - (b) International Standard for Electronic Ship Reporting in Inland Navigation (annex to resolution No. 79).
8. Terms and definitions related to inland water transport.
9. Theme topic for the fifty-eighth session of the Working Party.
10. Adoption of the report.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation (the Working Party or SC.3/WP.3) may wish to adopt the agenda of its fifty-seventh session on the basis of the provisional agenda, supplemented by the list of working and informal documents as set out in Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 26 (2020).

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/113/Rev.1, Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 26 (2020)

2. Outcome of the informal virtual meeting of the Working Party (29 and 30 June 2020)

The Working Party will be informed about the adoption of the business-critical decisions made at its informal virtual meeting held on 29 and 30 June 2020 (informal virtual meeting), following the 10-day silence procedure necessary as per the decision of EXCOM (Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 25 (2020)).

Documentation

Informal documents SC.3/WP.3 Nos. 11, 12 and 25 (2020)

3. Impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on inland navigation and actions to be undertaken under the framework of the Economic Commission for Europe

The Working Party may wish to recall the discussion on the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak on inland navigation at its informal virtual meeting and provide recommendations for SC.3 based on the observations made at the meeting (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2020/1, paras. 12–14).

Documentation

Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 13 (2020)

4. Inland waterways infrastructure

(a) Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (Blue Book)

The Working Party may wish to recall the information on the prepared draft amendment to the Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (Blue Book), delivered at its informal virtual meeting (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/14, annex I) and confirm its decision to preliminary approve this.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/144/Rev.3 and Amends.1–2, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/14

(b) Inventory of most important bottlenecks and missing links in the E Waterway Network (resolution No. 49, revision 2)

The Working Party may wish to recall the information on the prepared draft amendment to the Inventory of most important bottlenecks and missing links in the E Waterway Network (resolution No. 49, revision 2), delivered at its informal virtual meeting

(ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/14, annex II) and confirm its decision to preliminary approve this.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/159/Rev.2, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/14

5. Standardization of technical and safety requirements in inland navigation

(a) European Code for Inland Waterways (resolution No. 24, revision 5)

The Working Party may wish to take note of the information delivered by the secretariat at its informal virtual meeting on (a) the finalization of the comparison of the European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI), fifth revision, with the Basic Rules for Navigation on the Danube and the Navigation Rules on the Sava River Basin, (b) the report of the thirty-second meeting of the CEVNI Expert Group held on 11 February 2020, back-to-back with the fifty-sixth session of SC.3/WP.3, issued as ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/19 and (c) the outcome of the thirty-third meeting of the CEVNI Expert Group held as a virtual meeting on 23 June 2020. The Working Party may also wish to take note of the proposal by the Danube Commission about possible inclusion of the Waste Water Log in the existing Used Oil Log required by article 10.06 of CEVNI, made at the meeting, and to ask the CEVNI Expert Group to consider this.

The Working Party may wish to confirm its decisions to (a) preliminary approve the draft amendments to CEVNI as contained in ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/19 and (b) bring the Russian text of article 1.07 of CEVNI, paragraph 2, in line with the English and French texts.

The Working Party may wish to take note of the amendments to the Police Regulations for the Navigation of the Rhine (RPNR) adopted by the Central Commission for the navigation of the Rhine in 2019 at its autumn session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/17), that may be used as a basis for updating CEVNI.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/115/Rev.5 and Amends.1–3, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/15, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/16, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/17, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/18 and ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/19

(b) Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (resolution No. 61, revision 2)

The Working Party may wish to recall the discussion at its informal virtual meeting on (a) the draft modifications to the annex to resolution No. 61 related to additional provisions for electronic equipment and the automatic device for the reduction of the engine speed based on the European Standard laying down Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (ES-TRIN) (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/25) and (b) new amendment proposals to draft chapter XX, “Special provisions applicable to electric vessel propulsion” to the annex to resolution No. 61 (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/3) proposed by the Danube Commission.

The Working Party may wish to confirm its decision to preliminary approve the modifications to the annex to resolution No. 61 as contained in ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/25.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/172/Rev.2 and Amend.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/3, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/25 and Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 24 (2020)

(c) Prevention of pollution of inland waterways by vessels (resolution No. 21, revised)

The Working Party may wish to recall the information by the secretariat at its informal virtual meeting on (a) updating the appendix to resolution No. 21 “Reception facilities for the

transfer of waste generated on board ships on European inland waterways” and (b) the additional categorization of waste generated on board inland navigation vessels (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/29) and provide recommendations for SC.3.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/179/Rev.1, TRANS/SC.3/150 and Addenda 1–3,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2019/3, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/27,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/28, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/29

6. Provisions for passenger daily trip vessels

The Working Party may wish to recall the discussion on technical provisions for daily trip vessels not exceeding 24 metres in length and authorized to carry up to a maximum of 150 passengers held at its informal virtual meeting and to confirm its decision on continuing work on the provisions for this vessel type.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/210, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/112, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2019/18

7. Promotion of River Information Services and other Information and Communication Technologies in inland navigation

(a) International Standard for Tracking and Tracing on Inland Waterways (annex to resolution No. 63, revised)

The Working Party may wish to confirm its decision to preliminarily approve the revised appendices to the annex to resolution No. 63 taken at its informal virtual meeting and provide recommendations for SC.3.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/176/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/7,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/8, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/21/Rev.1,
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/22 and Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 14 (2019)

(b) International Standard for Electronic Ship Reporting in Inland Navigation (annex to resolution No. 79)

Following the decision at its fifty-sixth session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/112, para. 83), the Working Party may wish to recall the discussion on the revised annex to resolution No. 79, International Standard for Electronic Ship Reporting in Inland Navigation, held at its informal virtual meeting and provide recommendations for SC.3.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/198, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/23 and Informal document SC.3 No. 5 (2019)

8. Terms and definitions related to inland water transport

The Working Party may wish to recall the information delivered by the secretariat at its informal virtual meeting on the ongoing work on the draft terms and definitions related to inland water transport and provide recommendations for SC.3.

Documentation

Informal documents SC.3/WP.3 Nos. 14 to 23 (2020)

9. Theme topic for the fifty-eighth session of the Working Party

The Working Party may wish to decide on a theme topic for its fifty-eighth session or to choose from previous proposals: (a) Building an inland waterway infrastructure that is resilient to climate change, and (b) Inland water transport and sustainable cities.

10. Adoption of the report

In accordance with established practice, SC.3/WP.3 will adopt the decisions taken at its fifty-seventh session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.
