

# Decision by ITC

19. Furthermore, the Committee welcomed ongoing alignment activities by its Working Parties, in response to its invitation to its subsidiary bodies to take follow-up actions to align their work with the ITC strategy (ECE/TRANS/288, paras. 15 (a) and (c)) and decided to request the secretariat, in close cooperation with the Working Parties and in consultation with the Bureau **to prepare a report on alignment activities of WPs and possible future activity** for the consideration of the Committee at its eighty-third session.

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Implementation of ITC Strategy until 2030

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#### I. Introduction

1. This document has been prepared by the secretariat to present the status of work in implementing the ITC Strategy until 2030 (Strategy) and to formulate next steps to further advance the implementation. The status and the next steps are detailed as per tasks arising from the Strategy and the ITC decisions related to the adoption of the Strategy. This document also allocates responsibilities for the implementation of the next steps.

2. The Bureau is requested to provide comments on the progress and advice on the next steps for the implementation of the Strategy. This document is to be regularly updated to present progress in the implementation of the Strategy as well as to formulate successive next steps for continuous advancement in the implementation.

#### II. Status and next steps

<i>Tasks</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Next steps</i>	<i>Responsible in Division</i>
1 Vision: UN platform for inland transport to help efficiently address global and regional needs in inland transport	The recognition of ITC as the UN platform for inland transport was promoted through preparation and dissemination of flyers on the Strategy, role and impact of ITC, dialogue meeting with WMO, learning from and cooperation with ICAO and IMO. ECE, in its role as the platform for inland transport, administers and is	1. Further develop and disseminate information on the Strategy and prepare an internal (inside UN) and external (Contracting Parties) campaign which will include strategic activities that would strengthen ITC profile as the UN inland transport	1-3. ITC secretariat with all WPs secretaries
2 Mission:			

## Status and next step

Related to the tasks of the strategy and decisions related to the adoption of the strategy

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5.16 Identify, foster and facilitate the introduction of new technologies in the rail, road, road-based mobility, inland waterway, logistics, intermodal transport until 2030

Under WP.5 and in the framework of a project funded by ISDB the International Transport Infrastructure Observatory was developed on a Geographical Information System (GIS). The main objectives of the Observatory are:

- Accommodate and integrate all information/data concerning transport infrastructure/corridors/ projects etc being elaborated and generated by the Division including all transport infrastructure projects (EATL, TEM & TER etc) agreements (AGR, AGC etc) and groups of experts reports (climate change adaptation, benchmarking transport infrastructure construction costs);

- Serve as an electronic regional connectivity tool to bring together all transport corridors/networks initiative especially along the Euro-Asian continents (TRACECA, CAREC) and not only (ESOWA).

1. Continue the work on making the Observatory the tool that integrates the work of the Division, promotes interregional connectivity and facilitates financing of new transport infrastructure projects

2. Update of the AGC/AGTC tool on infrastructure parameters

3. Continue considering and supporting technical/technological developments in road, rail, inland waterway and intermodal transport.

4. Work towards digitalization of the CTU Code.

5. Continue the work on telematics under the umbrella of

1. WP.5 secretary

2. SC.2 and WP.24 secretary

3. SC.1, SC.2, SC3 and WP.24 secretaries

4. WP.24 secretary

5. WP.15/AC.1 secretary

**UN Platform for new technologies and innovations in inland transport**

**Cluster on transport infrastructure data**

**Cluster on trends/emerging issues and SDGs**

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5.22 Support interregional inland transport connectivity and corridors (from 2019)

WP.5 supports this priority task. One of the key clusters of work of WP.5 is on the development of transport networks and/or links. Under this cluster, WP.5 is considering how to further support operationalization of Euro-Asian Transport Links. WP.5 has served for over 15 years as the parent body to the EATL project as well as to the TEM and TER and other related projects and initiatives.

WP.5 is consulting other relevant WPs on this workflow.

As part of this work, and further to decisions of ITC and the ITC Bureau, the WP.24 secretariat together with ESCAP secretariat organized a forum on sustainable transport connectivity between Europe and Asia in the framework of the 62<sup>nd</sup> session of WP.24 (28 Oct-1 Nov 2019).

In the future, in line with its mandate, terms of reference and solid track records of achievements in this field WP.5 could continue to serve as a platform for the promotion of interregional transport. In this regard, an annually (or bi-annually) recurring

1. Continue and further strengthen regular dialogues and hold regular fora on interregional transport connectivity in WP.5.

2. Further support operationalization of Euro-Asian and other transport corridors by offering a platform for coordinated actions among Governments and private sector, e.g. based on the SITCIN project.

3. Continue to prepare publications and studies and organize targeted capacity building in support of the connectivity work.

1-3. WP.5 secretary in collaboration with secretaries of relevant WPs

**UN Platform for promoting sustainable regional and interregional inland transport connectivity and mobility**

**Cluster on development of transport networks and/or links**

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**UN Platform  
for promoting  
sustainable regional  
and interregional  
inland transport  
connectivity and  
mobility**

**Cluster on  
sustainable  
urban mobility**

**Cluster on trends/  
emerging issues  
and SDGs**

5.23 Promote sustainable transport and urban mobility by new tools and activities (from 2019) (THE PEP; further development of local pollutant module of ForFITS; reviews on green transport and mobility)

WP.5 in aligning its work programme with the Strategy included in it the cluster on sustainable urban mobility. Under this cluster, WP.5 works on sustainable transport and urban mobility. WP.5 prepared a Handbook on Sustainable Urban Mobility and Planning.

THE PEP (not a subsidiary body of ITC) focuses as per its mandate on specific elements of urban mobility.

There are - ongoing cross divisional activities on circular economy and green transport.

The secretariat is implementing the recommendations for ForFITS following its evaluation during the 2014-2018 period. Interactions with existing modelling groups and modelling tools is being sought to strengthen ForFITS modelling capabilities with minimal resources while ensuring consistency of results between various tools.

1. Continue work on sustainable transport and urban mobility with renewed focus through WP.24.

2. Continue applying ForFITS.

3. Establish GoE on intermodal passenger transport under WP.24 (please see also 4.1).

4. Continue to provide support to THE PEP.

5. Report annually to ITC on transport aspects related to the circular economy and green transport.

6. Review green transport initiatives within a working party bringing together the initiatives of the division.

1. WP.5 and WP.24 secretaries and the THE PEP secretariat

2. WP.29 secretariat

3. WP.24 secretary

4. THE PEP secretariat

5. All relevant WPs secretaries

6. ITC secretariat

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5.24 Assess the impact of climate change on transport infrastructure

WP.5 supports this priority action. WP.5 published a report on Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation for International Transport Networks in February 2020 prepared by its Group of Experts on Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation for Transport Networks and Nodes. The work is to continue and to be further expanded in 2020-2025 by the group of experts on assessment of climate change impacts and adaptation for inland transport.

Continue and further expanded the work on climate changes impacts on transport during 2020-25 mandate of the group of experts on assessment of climate change impacts and adaptation for inland transport (EGCCIA).

WP.5 and EGCCIA secretaries

**UN Platform for promoting sustainable regional and interregional inland transport connectivity and mobility**

**Cluster on transport and climate change**