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## The 1958 Agreement – a road map for implementation

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UNECE is a custodian of wide range of transport-related legal instruments, norms, standards and recommendations which will, if implemented efficiently, assist member States in achieving SDGs. Especially, for road safety related targets, legal instruments developed under the UNECE auspices have assisted many countries in developing and enforcing traffic rules and measures and improving road safety management system; producing safe road vehicles; reducing the risk during the transport of dangerous goods and hazardous materials; and ensuring that only safe and well-maintained vehicles and competent drivers can participate in traffic.

Activities of the World Forum for the Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) are dedicated to technical regulations applied to the broad automotive sector, addressing the safety and environmental performance of wheeled vehicles, their subsystems and parts. WP.29 currently administers three UN Agreements, namely:

- UN 1958 Agreement concerning the Adoption of Harmonized Technical United Nations Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be Fitted and/or be Used on Wheeled Vehicles and the Conditions for Reciprocal Recognition of Approvals Granted on the Basis of these United Nations Regulations (Revision 3);
- UN 1998 Agreement concerning the Establishing of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be Fitted and/or be Used on Wheeled Vehicles;
- UN 1997 Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Conditions for Periodical Technical Inspections of Wheeled Vehicles and the Reciprocal Recognition of such Inspections.

The 1958 Agreement supports the type-approval system and provides for the system of mutual recognition of type approvals between countries that are parties to the Agreement and applying its annexed UN Regulations. The type approval system requires that wheeled vehicles, their equipment and parts are, before market roll-out, "type approved" by a designated national authority - Type Approval Authority (TAA) upon testing carried out by designated Technical Services (entities that are delegated by TAA to carry out tests on

vehicles, their equipment and parts, in accordance with the provisions of applicable UN Regulations). In addition, the 1958 Agreement stipulates a "conformity of production" procedure to ensure that each produced and marketed wheeled vehicle, equipment or part is in conformity with the type that was tested and granted approval. It sets the TAAs responsibilities for screening manufacturer's quality management processes ("initial assessment"), for verifying the existence of adequate arrangements and control plans to ensure a product's conformity ("product conformity"), and for continuous verification processes to monitor the continued effectiveness of quality management and product conformity systems and processes. Georgia acceded to the 1958 Agreement on 25 May 2015.

The aim of the workshop is to strengthen knowledge of Georgian experts on how to efficiently implement provisions of the 1958 Agreement and update national legislation to be in full conformity with the Agreement. The workshop will provide hands-on training on UN regulations for the approval/certification of new wheeled vehicles, type approval, reciprocal recognition under the 1958 Agreement, testing and monitoring methods. The workshop will allow exchange of international and national best practices on efficient implementation of the 1958 Agreement. Furthermore, workshop will strengthen national capacities to improve road safety legislation.

The workshop will be on English. No interpretation available.

# AGENDA

## Monday, 20 May 2019

### 08.30 - 09.00 Registration

#### **09.00 – 09.30 Welcome/ Opening speech**

Mr. Mikheil Khmaladze, Director, LEPL Land Transport Agency of the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development, Georgia  
Ms. Louisa Vinton, UN Resident Coordinator Georgia

#### **09.30 – 10.30 Session I. Safe Vehicles – International Legal Framework**

Mr. Nenad Nikolic, UNECE, Global Framework Plan of Action for Road Safety (30 min)  
Mr. Walter Nissler, UNECE, UN vehicle related legal instruments (30 min)  
Q&A

### 10.30 – 10.50 Coffee break and Family photo

#### **10.50 – 12.00 Session I. Safe Vehicles – International Legal Framework**

Mr. Walter Nissler, UNECE, 1958 Agreement (30 min)  
Mr. Walter Nissler, UNECE, Main UN Regulations for Road Safety (30 min)  
Q&A

### 12.00 – 13.30 Lunch

#### **13.30 – 15.30 Session II. Safe Vehicles – Transposition of the 1958 Agreement in national legislation**

Mr. Marius Damachi, Romanian Automotive Register (RAR) (60 min)  
Mr. Jerzy Kownacki, Motor Transport Institute (ITS) Poland (60 min)  
Q&A

### 15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break

#### **16.00 – 17.00 Breakout session – Transposition of the 1958 Agreement in national legislation**

Group work - III groups (30 min preparation; 3\*10 min reporting and discussion) (60 min)

Q&A

### 17.00 Closing Day I

## **Tuesday, 21 May 2019**

### **09.00 – 10.30 Session III. Road map – the 1958 Agreement implementation**

Mr. Nenad Nikolic, UNECE, Road Safety Performance Review Georgia – recommendation on safe vehicles (20 min)

Mr. Marius Damachi, Romanian example (30 min)

Mr. Jerzy Kownacki, Polish example (30 min)

Q&A

### **10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break**

### **11.00 – 12.20 Session III. Road map – the 1958 Agreement implementation (cont’)**

Mr. Giorgi Murghvashvili, Land Transport Agency, Georgia (20 min)

Mr. Poghos Shahinyan, Road Safety Council, Armenian example (20 min) (tbc)

Mr. Nijat Mikhailov, Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies, Azerbaijan example (20 min) (tbc)

Ms. Zhanar Yeleussizova, Institute of Standardization and Certification, Kazakhstan (20 min)

Q&A

### **12.20 Conclusions and Closing statements (UNECE/ MoESD GE)**