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

Recommendation on electronic chart display and information system for inland navigation (resolution No. 48, revision 3)

Revision of the Recommendation on electronic chart display and information system for inland navigation (resolution No. 48, revision 3)

Note by the secretariat

Mandate

1. This document is submitted in line with cluster 5: Inland Waterway Transport, paragraph 5.1 of the programme of work 2018-2019 (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2017/24) adopted by the Inland Transport Committee at its eightieth session (20–23 February 2018).
2. At its fifty-fifth session, the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation (SC.3/WP.3) finalized the draft of the revised Recommendation on electronic chart display and information system for inland navigation. SC.3/WP.3 preliminarily approved the draft and asked the secretariat to transmit to the Working Party on Inland Water Transport (SC.3) for final adoption (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/110, para. 79).
3. SC.3 may wish to adopt the revised Recommendation on electronic chart display and information system for inland navigation as an annex to resolution No. 48, revision 4. The draft resolution (excluding the revised annex) of SC.3 is contained in the annex to this document. The consolidated version of the revised annex to resolution No. 48 is contained in Informal document SC.3 No. 2 (2019).

Annex

Amendments to resolution No. 48 on the Recommendation on Electronic Chart Display and Information System for Inland Navigation (Inland ECDIS)

Resolution No. ...

(adopted by the Working Party on Inland Water Transport on ...)

The Working Party on Inland Water Transport,

Noting the progress reached in the development of electronic charts for inland navigation and the necessity to have a harmonized standard for these charts in Europe to enable international transport to use charts of different countries with the same equipment of hardware and software,

Responding to the Policy Recommendation No. 3 of the UNECE White Paper on Efficient and Sustainable Inland Water Transport in Europe (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/189), the strategic recommendations set out in the Wroclaw Declaration and resolution No. 265 of 22 February 2019 of the Inland Transport Committee,

Bearing in mind the existing standard of IHO and IMO for Electronic Chart Display and Information Systems (S-52 and S-57) for maritime navigation and the desirability of compatibility in areas of mixed traffic, where inland navigation as well as seagoing vessels are navigating,

Bearing in mind also the ongoing work by the European Commission and the European Committee for drawing up Standards in the field of Inland Navigation (CESNI),

Taking into account resolution No. 48, revision 3, "Recommendation on Electronic Chart Display and Information System for Inland Navigation (Inland ECDIS)" (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/156/Rev.3) adopted by resolution No. 84 of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport on 11 November 2015,

Taking into account also the report of the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation of its fifty-fifth session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/110, para. 79),

Recalling the procedure of any further amendment of resolution No. 48 and its technical appendices established by resolution No. 77 and adopted by the Working Party on Inland Water Transport on 12 October 2012,

1. *Decides* to replace the text of the annex to resolution No. 48, revision 3, with the text contained in the annex to this resolution,
2. *Recommends* Governments, intergovernmental organizations, regional economic integration organizations, river commissions and private entities to apply the Inland ECDIS Standard reproduced in the annex to this resolution for the production of electronic charts for inland navigation,
3. *Recommends* Governments to bring their national legislation concerning navigation by inland waterway in accordance with the Inland ECDIS Standard,
4. *Invites* Governments to keep the secretariat informed of the measures taken with a view to the introduction of the Inland ECDIS Standard, specifying the inland waterways concerned,
5. *Requests* the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe to periodically include the question of application of this resolution in the agenda of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport.