

## Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

### Tenth session

Geneva, 11 December 2020

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

### Adoption of the agenda

11 November 2020

## Working arrangements for the tenth session and registration procedures

### Note by the secretariat

### Introduction

1. This document contains information about the working arrangements and registration procedures for the Committee session, scheduled to be held on Friday afternoon, 11 December 2020.
2. For information about the organisation of the fifty-seventh session of the TDG Sub-Committee please refer to informal document INF.28<sup>1</sup> and for the thirty-ninth session of the GHS Sub-Committee to informal document INF.17<sup>2</sup>.

### Official session

3. The official session will be held on:

#### **Friday 11 December, from 14:30 to 16:30 (Geneva time)**

as a hybrid session with interpretation services. This modality will allow participation in-person as well as remote connection for those who will be unable to travel to Geneva.

4. The session will be conducted with the platform Interprefy (accessible with a web browser). Details on how to register and use Interprefy will be circulated a few days before the session. Only delegates duly accredited as members of a delegation entitled to participate in the work of the Committee can attend the session. For information on how to register refer to paragraphs 8 and 9 below.
5. The Committee will consider all items on the agenda for the session (see ST/SG/AC.10/47) available on the website<sup>3</sup>.
6. Documents submitted for consideration during the session will be made available and circulated as informal documents on the website<sup>4</sup>.
7. The Committee of Experts is expected to adopt the report on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat that will be made available to all participants in the session.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc3/c3inf57.html>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgsubc4/c4inf39.html>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/dgdb/dgcomm/ac10age.html>

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.unece.org/trans/areas-of-work/dangerous-goods/meetings-and-events/ecosoc-bodies/committee-of-experts-on-tdg-and-ghs/informal-documents/transmaindgdbdgcommac10infdoc-2020.html>

## Registration procedures for the official session

8. The secretariat wishes to recall that only delegates duly accredited as representatives of a country or organisation (IGO, NGO, ...) entitled to participate in the work of the Committee can participate in the session, irrespective of the participation modality (i.e. in person or online). Heads of delegation are invited to communicate to the secretariat well in advance of the start of the session the composition of their delegation.

9. Delegations which have not yet officially designated a head of delegation are invited to do so as soon as possible. For details on how to proceed, please refer to informal document INF.32 circulated at the fifty-sixth session of the TDG Sub-Committee<sup>5</sup>.

10. Only delegates included in the list provided by the head of delegation will be considered duly accredited to attend the official hybrid session (either in person or remotely) and will be given the credentials enabling them to participate. The list of registered participants will be circulated one week before the session to the Permanent Missions in Geneva for their information and follow-up, if needed.

### All participants (i.e.: those wishing to attend in-person and those wishing to connect remotely)

11. All participants shall register online through the Contact Database before the session<sup>6</sup>.

### Participants wishing to attend in-person (including those holding a long-duration badge)

12. All participants wishing to attend in-person shall, in addition, register before the beginning of the session through a new platform (INDICO). Since INDICO is a new registration system, you will have to create a new account (i.e.: you will not be able to use your credentials for the Contact Database). In accordance with the latest restrictions in force in the host country, participation in the Palais is limited to 5 delegates. Delegates who wish to participate in person and who have not registered yet on: <https://indico.un.org/event/20137/registration> shall contact directly the secretariat.

13. Registration through INDICO is mandatory for all in-person meetings taking place in the Palais des Nations to allow for a quick COVID-19 response. For this reason, participants are required to register themselves prior to session. Kindly note that the secretariat will not be able to register you at any time.

14. Nameplates in the meeting room will be set up for those who registered with INDICO in conformity with the applicable social distancing measures.

15. Prior to travelling, participants wishing to attend in-person may wish to consult the information for travellers provided by the Swiss Federal Office of Public Health<sup>7</sup>.

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<sup>5</sup> <http://www.unece.org/fileadmin/DAM/trans/doc/2019/dgac10c3/UN-SCETDG-56-INF32e-UN-SCEGHS-38-INF14e.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> <https://uncdb.unece.org/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=T4rCIy>

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.bag.admin.ch/bag/en/home/krankheiten/ausbrueche-epidemien-pandemien/aktuelle-ausbrueche-epidemien/novel-cov.html>