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#### Working Party on Customs Questions affecting Transport

##### Group of Experts on Conceptual and Technical Aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure

###### Second session

Geneva, 25–28 May 2021

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

###### Adoption of the agenda

### Provisional agenda for the first session of the Group of Experts on Conceptual and Technical Aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure<sup>1</sup>

to be held in Room TPS 2 and virtually, starting 25 May 2021 at 10.00 hours.<sup>2</sup>

#### I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Report of the first session of the Group of Experts on Conceptual and Technical Aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure.
3. Report of the preparatory meetings for the Group of Experts on Conceptual and Technical Aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure.
4. Work plan
5. eTIR international system:
  - (a) Progress report on the development of the eTIR international system;
  - (b) Progress report on the connection of national customs systems to the eTIR international system;

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<sup>1</sup> Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the ECE Transport Division's website [etir.unece.org](http://etir.unece.org). On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by email ([andre.sceia@un.org](mailto:andre.sceia@un.org)).

Delegates are requested register online at [uncdb.unece.org/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=qvHGqB](http://uncdb.unece.org/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=qvHGqB). Information regarding the connection to the videoconferencing platform will be provided to registered participants in due time.

<sup>2</sup> The meeting will be held in hybrid format with simultaneous interpretation on 25 May 2021 (from 10:00 to 12:00) and 26–28 May 2021 (from 10:00 to 12:00 and 14:00 to 16:00). On 25 May 2021 from 14:00 to 17:00 the meeting will be held in hybrid format in English only.



- (c) NCTS-eTIR Proof of Concept.
- 6. eTIR conceptual, functional and technical specifications version 4.3:
  - (a) Introduction;
  - (b) eTIR concepts;
  - (c) eTIR functional specifications;
  - (d) eTIR technical specifications;
  - (e) Amendments.
- 7. Other business:
  - (a) Annex 11 of the TIR Convention;
  - (b) National and regional developments;
  - (c) Date and place of the Group of Experts sessions.
- 8. Adoption of the report.

## II. Annotations

### 1. Adoption of the agenda

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the first item on the provisional agenda is its adoption.

#### Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/3

### 2. Report of the first session of the Group of Experts on Conceptual and Technical Aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure

The Group of Experts may wish to approve the report of its first session contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2.

#### Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2

### 3. Reports of the preparatory meetings for the Group of Experts on Conceptual and Technical Aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure

The Group of Experts may wish to consider and, possibly, endorse the report of the informal preparatory meeting for the second session of the Group of Experts on Conceptual and Technical Aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure which took place on 22 January 2021, as contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/21.

Furthermore, the Group of Experts may wish to consider and, possibly, endorse the report of the preparatory meeting for the second session of the Group of Experts on Conceptual and Technical Aspects of Computerization of the TIR Procedure which took place on 7–8 April 2021, as contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/40.

The Group of Experts may wish to take on board the advice provided by the experts during the preparatory meetings to speed up its work during its second session.

#### Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/21 and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/40

### 4. Work plan

The Group of Experts may wish to take note of the amended work plan it adopted at its first session and which is contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/2/Rev.1.

#### Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/2/Rev.1

### 5. eTIR international system

#### (a) Progress report on the development of the eTIR international system

The Group of Experts may wish to be informed about progress made regarding the development of the eTIR international system including the technical guides developed by the secretariat which are available on the eTIR documentation portal.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup> <https://wiki.unece.org/display/ED/eTIR+documentation++Homepage>

(b) **Progress report on the connection of national customs systems to the eTIR international system**

The Group of Experts may wish to be informed about progress made by customs administrations with regard to their connection to the eTIR international system.

(c) **NCTS-eTIR Proof of Concept**

The Group of Experts may wish to take note of Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 7 (2021) presenting the eTIR-NCTS<sup>4</sup> Proof of Concept (PoC) prepared by the European Commission and ECE. The PoC analyses the compatibility of the eTIR and NCTS processes and data requirements, with a view to identifying the most effective method to connect the customs systems of the countries of the European Union with the eTIR international system.

**Documentation**

Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 7 (2021)

## **6. eTIR conceptual, functional and technical documentation version 4.3**

(a) **Introduction**

The Group of Experts may wish to consider and agree on version 4.3 of the Introduction document contained in documents: ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/9, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/10, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/11, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/12 and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/13, as well as the consolidated version prepared by the secretariat contained in Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 1 (2021).

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/9, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/10, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/11, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/12, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/13 and Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 1 (2021)

(b) **eTIR concepts**

The Group of Experts may wish to consider and agree on version 4.3 of the eTIR concepts document contained in documents: ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/14/Rev.1 and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/15/Rev.1, as well as the consolidated version prepared by the secretariat contained in Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 2 (2021). The Group of Experts may wish to note that the secretariat made a significant revision of the eTIR concepts document to fully align it with Annex 11 and with numerous decisions taken with regard to the functional specifications. Outdated information had also been removed from the document.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/14/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/15/Rev.1 and Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 2 (2021)

(c) **eTIR functional specifications**

The Group of Experts may wish to consider and agree on version 4.3 of the eTIR functional specifications contained in documents: ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/22, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/23, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/24, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/25, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/26, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/27, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/28, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/16/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/17/Rev.1, and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/18/Rev.1, as well as the consolidated version prepared by the secretariat contained in Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 8 (2021)

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<sup>4</sup> New Computerized Transit System

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/22, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/23, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/24, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/25, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/26, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/27, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/28, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/29, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/16/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/17/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/18/Rev.1 and Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 8 (2021)

**(d) eTIR technical specifications**

The Group of Experts may wish to consider and agree on version 4.3 of the eTIR technical specifications contained in documents ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/30, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/31, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/32, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/33, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/34, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/35 and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/36, as well as the consolidated version prepared by the secretariat contained in Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 9 (2021).

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/30, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/31, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/32, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/33, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/34, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/35, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/36 and Informal document WP.30/GE.1 No. 9 (2021)

**(e) Amendments**

The Group of Experts may wish to consider document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/37, which contains proposed additional amendments to the eTIR specifications discussed under agenda items 6 (c) and 6(d).

The Group of Experts may wish to consider documents ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/38 which contains the requirements of Eurasian Economic Commission transmitted by the Russian Federation.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/37 and, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/GE.1/2021/38

**7. Other business****(a) Annex 11 of the TIR Convention**

The Group of Experts may wish to be informed on developments regarding Annex 11.

**(b) National and regional developments**

The Group of Experts may wish to be informed about recent information and communication technology (ICT) developments relevant to the computerization of the TIR procedure or provide an update of previous presentations. Participants interested in sharing their experiences with the Group of Experts are invited to contact the secretariat at their earliest convenience but not later than 1 May 2021.

**(c) Date and place of Group of Experts sessions**

The Group of Experts may wish to take note that the third session is planned on 13–15 September 2021. As long as the epidemiologic situation limits international travel and leads to mandatory quarantines, the secretariat will try to organize sessions in hybrid format (allowing both virtual and in-person attendance).

## **8. Adoption of the report**

After the session, the secretariat will issue a report, which will be submitted for endorsement at the third session of the Group of Experts.

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