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

**Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized
System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals**

**Fortieth session**

Geneva and online (hybrid), 5-7 July 2021

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

**Adoption of the agenda**

 Provisional agenda for the fortieth session[[1]](#footnote-2)\*, [[2]](#footnote-3)\*\*, [[3]](#footnote-4)\*\*\*

To be held as a hybrid session at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10 a.m on Monday 5 July 2021

1. Adoption of the agenda.

2. Work on the Globally Harmonized System (GHS):

(a) Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (TDG) on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee[[4]](#footnote-5);

(b) Simultaneous classification in physical hazard classes and precedence of hazards;

(c) Use of non-animal testing methods for classification of health hazards;

(d) Classification of skin sensitizers using the results of local lymph node assays (LLNA) test methods in accordance with OECD Test Guideline 442B;

(e) Classification criteria for germ cell mutagenicity (sub-category 1B);

(f) Practical classification issues (proposed amendments to the GHS);

(g) Nanomaterials;

(h) Improvement of annexes 1 to 3 and further rationalization of precautionary statements;

(i) Other matters.

3. Implementation of the GHS:

(a) Possible development of a list of chemicals classified in accordance with the GHS;

(b) Reports on the status of implementation;

(c) Cooperation with other bodies or international organizations;

(d) Miscellaneous.

4. Development of guidance on the application of GHS criteria:

(a) Alignment of Annex 9 (section A9.7) and Annex 10 with the criteria in Chapter 4.1;

(b) Practical classification issues;

(c) Practical labelling issues;

(d) Miscellaneous.

5. Capacity building.

6. Other business.

7. Adoption of the report.

1. \* Annotations to the agenda will be circulated as document ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/79/Add.1. The deadline for submission of documents to be considered by the GHS Sub-Committee is 16 April 2021. The deadline for submission of documents to be considered by both sub-committees (TDG and GHS) is 9 April 2021. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. \*\* All documentation for the session will be made available online at: https://unece.org/transport/events/ac10c4-ecosoc-sub-committee-experts-globally-harmonized-system-classification-2. This will be a paperless meeting. Printed documents will not be available. in the meeting room. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. \*\*\* Participation will only be possible for registered delegates. All participants wishing to attend shall register in INDICO at the following address: <https://indico.un.org/event/28935/>. Delegates attending in-person should, upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, obtain an identification badge at the UNOG Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext. 72106). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see <https://unece.org/practical-information-delegates>. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. Delegates participating in the work of the GHS Sub-Committee who are not normally involved in the work of the TDG Sub-Committee are invited to participate in sessions of the TDG Sub-Committee when the TDG Sub-Committee is acting as GHS focal point on physical hazards (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2, paragraph 43 (b)). At its fifty-eighth session (28 June to 2 July 2021) the TDG Sub-Committee may consider matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee. All the documentation for the session will be made available at: <https://unece.org/transport/events/ac10c3-ecosoc-sub-committee-experts-transport-dangerous-goods-58th-session>. GHS Sub-Committee delegates interested in participating in the work of the TDG Sub-Committee should register for the TDG Sub-Committee session. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)