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Agenda item 23(c)

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The 183nd session of WP.29 was held as an hybrid meeting.

AC.2 reviewed the proposed programme of work of the World Forum, noted comments provided by the European Commission and recommended a review by WP.29.

WP.29 considered the programme of work of WP.29 and Subsidiary Bodies, document ECE/TRANS/WP.29/2021/1 and endorsed it provisionally pending final adoption at its June session.

The European Commission recalled their submitted contribution to the PoW on behalf of the European Union (informal document WP.29-183-13) and urged Contracting Parties to provide inputs to the PoW in timely manner allowing to establish it with sufficient lead time that would provide for preparation and consensus building prior to its adoption

The World Forum noted that GRSP agreed to establish an Ad Hoc Group to study the impact of the latest series of amendments to the UN Regulation No. 22 (Protective Helmets) on the helmet and helmet accessories industries. The Chair of GRSP explained the GRSP position on the type-approval issued by Poland for a belt-guide device and reported to WP.29 on the outcome of discussion which took place at the sixty-eight session of GRSP.

WP.29 recalled the General Assembly Resolution adopted in August 2020 (A/RES/74/299) for the period 2021-2030 and its main objectives relevant to the mandate of work of WP.29. WP.29 noted the commitment of WP.29 secretariat for the decade 2021-2030 to follow-up the General Assembly resolution decisions and the request of WP.29 stated during the November 2020 session (see ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1155, para. 124). The representative of OICA also offered his help to the WP.29 secretariat.

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AC.3 noted that since March 2020, no status reports or final notifications were submitted. Therefore, AC.3 warmly reiterated its request to its Contracting Parties to send the above-mentioned status report and notifications as one of the main obligations of the 1998 Agreement.

Concerning amendment 3 to UN GTR No. 9 on Pedestrian Safety, AC.3 agreed to defer vote under this agenda item to its June 2021 session pending further discussions concerning the proposal for Amendment 3 to UN GTR No. 9 at the next session of GRSP, scheduled to take place in May 2021. AC.3 requested GRSP to give highest priority to the task and to report back to AC.3 and WP.29 with the greatest urgency on the progress towards a resolution of outstanding matters in this context. AC.3 agreed to keep this item on its agenda for the next session with the expectation to vote on the amendment.



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Please note that GRSP 70th session will take place on 6-10 december 2021

Please note that the deadline for submission of official documents will be 10 September 2021, twelve weeks before the meeting.

The complete report is available at WP.29 website under the official symbol [ECE/TRANS/WP.29/1157](#).