Economic Commission for Europe
Administrative Committee for the TIR Convention, 1975
Technical Implementation Body

First session
Geneva, 18–21 January 2022
Item 1 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of the agenda

Provisional agenda for the first session of the Technical Implementation Body*

... to be held in Room Tempus 2 and virtually, starting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday 18 January 2022.

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Election of officers.
3. Rules of procedure.
4. 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.
5. eTIR conceptual, functional and technical specifications:
   (a) Version 4.3:
      (i) Introduction;
      (ii) eTIR concepts;
      (iii) eTIR functional specifications;

* Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the ECE Transport Division's website etir.unece.org. On an exceptional basis, documents may also be obtained by email (etir@un.org).

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Information regarding the connection to the videoconferencing platform will be provided to registered participants in due time.
(iv) eTIR technical specifications;
(v) Amendments.
(b) Version 4.4:
(i) Pending issues;
(ii) Proposals by governments;
(iii) Issues transmitted by AC.2.

6. Other business:
   Date and place of the next sessions of TIB.

7. Adoption of the report.

II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Technical Implementation Body (further referred to as “TIB”) may wish to consider and adopt the agenda of the session. TIB will be informed that, according to Annex 8, Article 6 of the TIR Convention, 1975, "a quorum consisting of not less than one-third of the States which are contracting parties is required for the purpose of taking decisions". The number of States which are contracting party to Annex 11 of the convention is seventy-five.

Documentation
ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/1

2. Election of officers

TIB may wish to elect a Chair and, possibly, a Vice Chair to steer its sessions in 2022.

3. Rules of procedure

TIB may wish to note the that the Administrative Committee of the TIR Convention (AC.2), at its seventy-sixth session (October 2021), confirmed that, pending the adoption of its own rules of procedure and their endorsement by AC.2, possibly at its October 2022 session, TIB shall use, mutatis mutandis, the relevant provisions of Annex 8 of the TIR Convention.

Annex 11, Article 4 paragraph 4 of the TIR Convention stipulates that TIB, at its first session, shall adopt its rules of procedure and submit them to the Committee for endorsement by the contracting parties bound by Annex 11. TIB may wish to consider and, possibly, adopt the rules of procedure contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/1.

Documentation
ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/1

4. eTIR international system

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

TIB may wish to be informed about progress made regarding the development of the eTIR international system.
(b) Progress report on the connection of national customs systems to the eTIR international system

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

5. eTIR conceptual, functional and technical specifications

(a) Version 4.3

(i) Introduction

TIB may wish to take note of version 4.3 of the introduction of the eTIR specifications, as contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/2-ECE/TRANS/WP30/AC2/2022/11.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/2-ECE/TRANS/WP30/AC2/2022/11

(ii) eTIR concepts

TIB may wish to consider version 4.3 of the eTIR concepts, as contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/3-ECE/TRANS/WP30/AC2/2022/12, including any amendments which TIB would agree on under agenda item 5 (a) (v), and confirm its alignment with Annex 11 of the TIR Convention.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/3-ECE/TRANS/WP30/AC2/2022/12

(iii) eTIR functional specifications

TIB may wish to consider version 4.3 of the eTIR functional specifications, as contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/4-ECE/TRANS/WP30/AC2/2022/13, including any amendments which TIB would agree on under agenda item 5 (a) (v), and confirm its alignment with the eTIR concepts.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/4-ECE/TRANS/WP30/AC2/2022/13

(iv) eTIR technical specifications

TIB may wish to consider and adopt version 4.3 of the eTIR technical specifications, as contained in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/5-ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2022/14, including any amendments which TIB would agree on under agenda item 5 (a) (v), ensuring its alignment with the eTIR concepts and functional specifications.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/5-ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2022/14

(v) Amendments

TIB may wish to consider document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/6, which contains proposals by the secretariat on possible ways to allow for the provision of a more detailed itinerary at the level of customs offices, while ensuring flexibility for countries that do not require such detailed itinerary. TIB may wish to consider if one of these options could be included in version 4.3 and instruct the secretariat accordingly.

TIB may wish to consider and, possibly, approve minor corrections to the eTIR specifications version 4.3, as presented in document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/7.
Documentation
ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/6, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/7

(b) Version 4.4

(i) Pending issues
TIB may wish to consider document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/8, containing a list of issues which could not be included in version 4.3 of the eTIR specifications. It may want to select those that could be included in version 4.4 of the specifications and mandate the secretariat to present a document with concrete proposals on how to address those issues at its next session.

Documentation
ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/8

(ii) Proposals by governments
TIB may wish to consider documents ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/9 and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/10, containing proposals by governments on issues to be included in version 4.4 of the eTIR specifications. It may want to mandate the secretariat, in collaboration with the governments which submitted the proposals, to present a document with concrete proposals on how to address those issues at its next session.

Documentation
ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/9 and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/10

(iii) Issues transmitted by AC.2
At its seventy-sixth session (October 2021), AC.2 considered document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2021/4, but could not reach agreement, due to the technical nature of the issues at stake. It requested the secretariat to transmit the document to TIB for further assessment, inviting the Turkish delegation, as well as others, to submit their comments to the secretariat no later than by 7 November 2021, so that they could be transferred to TIB for consideration.

TIB may wish to consider document ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2021/4, together with comments on the matter, transmitted by governments, if any, and contained in the relevant sections of documents ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/9 and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/10.

As per AC.2 request, the findings will be transmitted to AC.2 for final approval, including, potentially, issues of a legal nature that need to be addressed by the Committee itself.

Documentation
ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/2021/4, ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/9 and ECE/TRANS/WP.30/AC.2/TIB/2022/10

6. Other business

Date and place of the next sessions of TIB
TIB may wish to, preliminary, take note of the dates reserved for its second and third sessions, i.e. 20–22 April 2022 and 31 August–2 September 2022, respectively.

7. Adoption of the report
TIB may wish to adopt the list of main decisions taken during the session, on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat, in consultation with the Chair.
After the session, the secretariat will circulate a complete report, for comments, which will be submitted for adoption at the following session of TIB.