

**Working Party on Intermodal Transport and Logistics (WP.24)**  
**Sixty-fifth session**  
**Geneva, 19-21 October 2021**

**Items for decision under silence procedure**

**Decisions submitted to silence procedure following the formal session WP.24 with remote participation**

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WP.24	65 <sup>th</sup> session, 19-21 October	3 (a)		<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-1e%20%281%29.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-1e%20%281%29.pdf</a>	WP.24 welcomed the elaboration of the new consolidated text of the AGTC reflecting the accepted amendment proposals. WP.24 also agreed, despite a few outstanding issues, to publish this new consolidated text in 2022. This new publication should list all the relevant notes on amendments it contains.
		3 (b)		<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-07/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-2e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-07/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-2e.pdf</a>	In accordance with Article 15 of the AGTC, WP.24 considered these amendment proposals and decided as follows:
				<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-10/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-inf07e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-10/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-inf07e.pdf</a> <a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-10/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-17e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-10/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-17e.pdf</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adopted unanimously the proposed amendments from Lithuania to Annex I concerning the lines C 14 and C-E 75 under both Lithuania and Latvia, and to Annex II, sections A and C concerning respectively the modification to the list of terminals and to the gauge interchange stations, and</li> <li>- Adopted unanimously the proposed amendments from Denmark to Annex I concerning line C45/1 under Denmark, and to Annex II sections A, B and C, respectively to modify the list of terminals, and to exclude the border crossing point and the ferry link Göteborg (SJ) – Frederikshavn (DSB).</li> </ul> <p>Moreover, given the amendment proposal from Denmark, WP.24 concluded that the adopted amendment from Denmark involves deletion of the line C45/1 under Sweden.</p> <p>Finally, regarding the remaining amendment proposals, WP.24 invited the concerned Contracting Parties to consult on the proposals further and to report back on these consultations at the next session.</p> <p>WP.24 asked the secretariat to forward the adopted amendments to the Office of Legal Affairs in New York.</p>
3 (c)		<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-3e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-3e.pdf</a>	Considering the views expressed, WP.24 requested the secretariat to disseminate the survey again to all those Contracting Parties which had not responded to it initially.		

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					WP.24 also requested the secretariat to invite entities which may have established any mechanism for data collection on performance to present them at the future sessions.
		3 (d)		<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-4e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-4e.pdf</a>	Following the discussion, WP.24 agreed to invite the secretariat to contact the Contracting Parties on the issue of core lines and special procedure and request their views on special procedure for cross-border communication in case of emergencies.
		4 (c)		<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-09/ECE-TRANS-SC.3-2022-03e%20-%20ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-16e%20%281%29.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-09/ECE-TRANS-SC.3-2022-03e%20-%20ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-16e%20%281%29.pdf</a>  <a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-09/ECE-TRANS-SC.3-2022-02e%20-%20ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-15e%20%281%29.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-09/ECE-TRANS-SC.3-2022-02e%20-%20ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-15e%20%281%29.pdf</a>	WP.24 thanked the secretariat for the information on the outcomes of the round table and for the efforts in organizing it and the workshop. It welcomed the preparation of the road map for the accession to the AGTC Protocol and invited interested countries to apply it. WP.24 also welcomed the preparation of the draft resolution and agreed that it is submitted to ITC for adoption.
		5(a)(ii)			<p>Taking into account the outcomes of the workshop, WP.24 agreed to continue exchanging on information and document digitalization regularly at its annual sessions. WP.24 requested the secretariat to introduce a self-standing item in the agenda – 5(a)(iii) – on information and document digitalization. At the advice of Germany, WP.24 also requested its secretariat to prepare for the next session in 2023 in collaboration with Germany a framework on information and document digitalization. This framework should list and discuss topics relevant to information and document digitalization for consideration by WP.24. As one of those topics, digitalization of documents accompanying the road or rail consignment notes should be included.</p> <p>WP.24 agreed to start a process for elaborating a handbook on automation in freight intermodal transport and logistics sector. To this end, it requested the secretariat to work together with interested country representatives to elaborate an annotated outline for the handbook for consideration at the next session. WP.24 also requested the secretariat to introduce into the WP.24 agenda a self-standing item – 5(a)(iv) – on the handbook on automation in freight intermodal transport and logistics. With this decision, the existing item 5(a)(iv) on intermodal transport and the TIR Convention should be renumbered to 5(a)(v).</p>
		5(b)		<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-5e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-5e.pdf</a>	WP.24 reflected on the proposals and agreed to apply simple solutions such as MS Forms for reporting. It then agreed to request a group of volunteers to examine

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					redesigning the survey, on the one hand, to refocus it so that duplicated collection of information is prevented and, on the other hand, to alter it in a way to allow for automatic identification of measures to which WP.24 could give more attention in the future.
		6(a)		<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-6e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-6e.pdf</a> <a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-7e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-7e.pdf</a>	<p>After consideration, WP.24 requested the secretariat to prepare for the next meeting a document with information on rail unitization rate and rail modal share for ECE countries.</p> <p>WP.24 considered the good practice collected and agreed to continue discussing booking platforms and data hubs and standards under the item on information and document digitalization. WP.24 also agreed that it would continue providing a platform for the mutual exchanges on good practices and the creation of knowledge in the field of intermodal transport and in this way continue supporting the strengthening of the voice of the intermodal sector. Last but not least, WP.24 decided to support self-learning and development of e-courses to be integrated under the new LearnITC platform (see below). In this regard, WP.24 delegations were invited to collaborate with the secretariat to prepare a module on combined transport, as well as to explore development of other courses.</p>
		7		<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-9e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-9e.pdf</a> <a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-10e%20%281%29.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-10e%20%281%29.pdf</a> <a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-11e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-11e.pdf</a> <a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-12e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-12e.pdf</a>	<p>WP.24 thanked experts participating in the informal pre-work for the progress made on both tasks 1 and 2 and in particular for elaborating the detailed proposal for CTU Code text updates. Given the information from ILO, WP.24 agreed to proceed with the work, either in the formal Group of Experts if formally established subject to a positive decision in January 2023 by ILO Sectoral Advisory Bodies or in the informal pre-work as agreed in the past. WP.24 requested the secretariat to proceed accordingly and to present the progress made on the proposed updated to the CTU Code and on the CTU Code application at its sixty-sixth session in 2023.</p>
		8		<a href="https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-13e.pdf">https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ECE-TRANS-WP.24-2022-13e.pdf</a>	<p>WP.24 thanked its Chair and the secretariat for preparing ECE/TRANS/WP.24/2022/13. After having considered it, WP.24 agreed that it would like its sessions to be governed by tailor-made WP.24 RoP. To this end, WP.24 reviewed the text of its draft RoP, agreed to it with the amendment to the quorum provision changing it to one-fifth under Rule 23, and asked the secretariat to submit the prepared WP.24 RoP to ITC for approval.</p>

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		9			WP.24 elected Ms. J. Elsinger (Austria) as its Chair and Ms. P. Tomkova (Czech Republic) as its Vice-Chairs for its sessions in 2023 and 2024.
		12			WP.24 adopted provisionally its report of the sixty-fifth session. Decisions from this report, in accordance with the decision of ECE Executive Committee at its meeting on 5 October 2020 need to undergo a 72 hours silence period, which would be notified to all Permanent Missions in Geneva by the office of the ECE Chef de Cabinet. The decisions would be adopted with the unbroken closure of the silence procedure.