

Working Party on Regulatory Cooperation and Standardization Policies

Advisory Group on Market Surveillance (MARS)

Agenda Item 4

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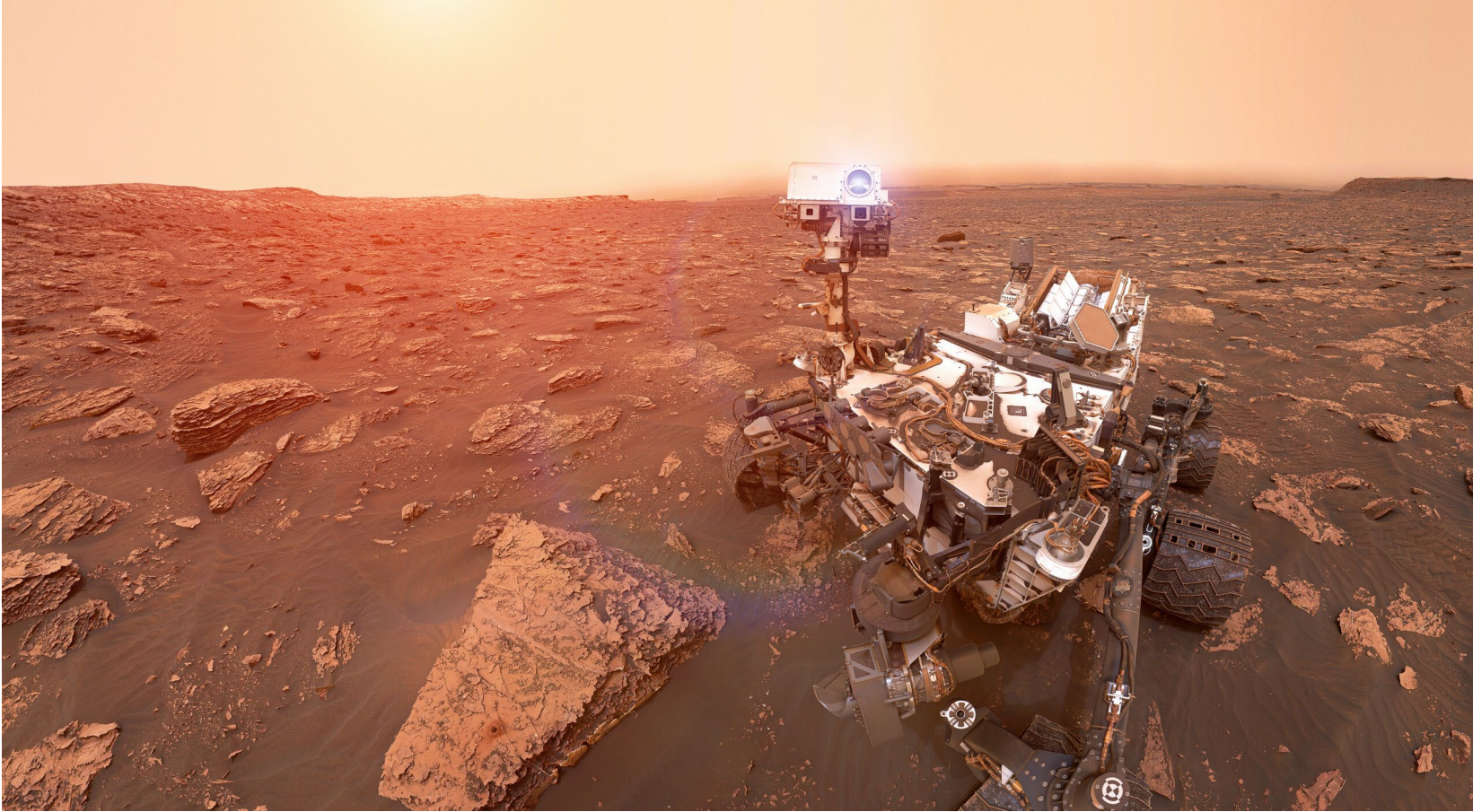
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- Annual session of the MARS Group: 10 June 2022
- Election of MARS Chair: Ms. Vera Despotovic
- Webinar on best practices on Market Surveillance and border controls
 - <https://unece.org/info/Trade/WP.6-Meetings/events/366795>

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Best practice in market surveillance and border controls



- WorkSafe New Zealand
 - Use of semi-quantitative risk assessment tool
 - Educational multimedia campaigns
- Swedish Board for Accreditation and Conformity Assessment
 - Coordination of multiple organizations
 - Consumer campaign to avoid dangerous goods
- Finish Transport and Communication Agency
 - Pan-European cooperation





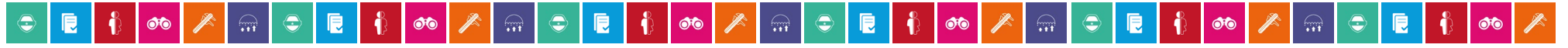
- Common regulatory objectives
 - Application of WP.6 Recommendation L
 - Example of Equipment for Explosive Environments
- Cooperation with customs agencies on market access regulations
 - Increased trade flows from e-commerce
 - Illegal trafficking cooperation



- Original document published in 2011
- Why revise?
 - E-commerce, new actors, increase market surveillance actions worldwide
 - To remain aligned to basic/other standards and regulatory documents
- Glossary aims to provide a global, harmonized set of terms and definitions to be used as a reference when drafting regulations, standards and other documents, with respect to market surveillance of non-food products placed or made available on the market

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Revised Glossary of Market Surveillance Terms



- New terms added
 - Market surveillance, conformity rate, information society service provider, fulfillment service provider, online interface, end user, corrective action, voluntary measure...
- Changed terms
 - Economic operator, withdrawal, technical regulation, technical specification...
- In the future: propose a guide to clarify certain terms in the glossary (especially associated to risk assessment)
- Nearly three years of consultations and public review

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Future developments



- Review for possible updates the Recommendation M on Use of Market Surveillance Infrastructure as a Complementary Means to Protect Consumers and Users against Counterfeit Goods and plan for guidelines on implementation of this recommendation. A webinar on counterfeit products could also be planned in support of this
- Review for possible updates linked to digitalization and sustainability the Recommendation N on Good Market Surveillance Policies and Practices
- Continue exchanges of experience in the area of market surveillance in order to identify and bring forward best practices in this field while further developing the network of global and regional market surveillance entities
- Enhance cooperation with customs agencies, with an objective to improve controls at the border and application of market access regulations
- Develop further the Market Surveillance Model Initiative Guide to the Use of the General Market Surveillance Procedures covering all phases of market surveillance from planning of inspections to dangerous product recall
- Develop a guide to clarify certain terms in the Market Surveillance Glossary



• Proposed decisions:

- The Working Party adopts the report of the Advisory Group on Market Surveillance (MARS) in document ECE/CTCS/WP.6/2022/3. It requests MARS to continue to report on an annual basis on its activities. (Decision 3)
- The Working Party endorses the revised Glossary of Market Surveillance Terms in document ECE/CTCS/WP.6/2022/4 and encourages member States to provide extra-budgetary funding in order to make this available through an electronic database. (Decision 4)

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