



Actions of the inland transport sector to  
join the global fight against climate change

85<sup>th</sup> Session

**INLAND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE**



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# Climate change mitigation in inland transport at an inflection point: the way forward

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# Needs for action in the inland transport sector



## According to IPCC:

- Transport sector accounts for almost a quarter of global energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emission (23%)
- Inland transport accounts for more than 71% of all transport-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

## Actions in Member States:

- Many central/local governments announced ban of the sale of new petrol and diesel cars by 2025 up to 2040
- Many countries set net-zero emissions by 2050

## Impact:

- 16% growth from transport by 2050 even if the existing plans are fully implemented

# Decision by ITC at 84<sup>th</sup> session



## ITC-84 recognized:

- The critical role of inland transport in accelerating climate change mitigation worldwide, and
- The urgency of stronger actions against climate change

## ITC-84 requested:

- The secretariat, in consultation with the Bureau, to prepare a comprehensive paper with these activities and action-oriented options for the Committee and Working Parties for consideration at the Committee's 85<sup>th</sup> session (ECE/TRANS/316, para 51)

# Huge potential of ITC



- **ITC has significantly contributed to the global agenda and Member States' efforts. There are still areas to be explored further to support members:**
  - **Regulatory priorities for ITC and its subsidiary bodies**
  - **Policy support priorities**
  - **Institutional arrangements**
  - **Intergovernmental support, with emphasis on regional/interregional priorities and needs**
  - **Partnerships**

# Theme, high-level segment and declaration



- **Theme of 85<sup>th</sup> session:**
  - **Actions of the inland transport sector to join the global fight against climate change**
- **High-level segment:**
  - **Three panels on partnership, regulations, innovations and financial against climate change**
- **Declaration:**
  - **Harnessing the full potential of inland transport solutions in the global fight against climate change**
  - **Request the secretariat, in close cooperation with the Bureau and relevant subsidiary bodies, to develop a strategy document on reducing greenhouse gas emissions in inland transport on the basis of UN legal instruments under ITC's purview for consideration by 86<sup>th</sup> session**

# Possible decisions by ITC



- **The Committee may wish to:**
  - **request the secretariat, in close cooperation with the Bureau and relevant subsidiary bodies, to develop an ambitious strategy document for reducing GHG emissions in inland transport based on international UN legal instruments under the Committee's purview with priority actions for ITC and all its relevant subsidiary bodies, supported by a strong action plan with milestones, for consideration and possible adoption at its 86<sup>th</sup> session**
  - **Request relevant subsidiary bodies and treaty bodies (4 requests)**
  - **Support WP.29/GRPE to develop a globally harmonized methodology to determine the life-cycle carbon footprint of road vehicles**
  - **Request the secretariat to report biennially starting from 2024**



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**Thank you**