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Group of Experts on drafting a new legal instrument on the use of automated vehicles in traffic

Sixth session

Geneva, 4-5 May 2023

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the sixth session* **

To be held virtually or in-person at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday, 4 May 2023.

I. Provisional Agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Highlights from the February 2023 session of ITC and the March 2023 session of WP.1.
3. Substantive activities.
4. Current status and next steps.
5. Other business.
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* For reasons of economy, delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the UNECE Sustainable Transport Division's website (<https://unece.org/info/events/event/375708>). For the translation of the official documents, delegates can access the public Official Document System (ODS) on the following website: <http://documents.un.org/>

** Delegates are requested to register online at: Communication on details related to the meeting arrangements will be sent to duly registered delegates. Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the Villa Les Feuillantines (the Pregny Gate - the UNOG Security and Safety Section – is closed temporarily). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (ext.75716 or 75964). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, see website: <https://unece.org/practical-information-delegates>.

II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Group of Experts will be invited to adopt the provisional agenda for this session.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.3/2023/1

2. Highlights from the February 2023 session of ITC and March 2023 session of WP.1

The Group of Experts may wish to be informed about relevant decisions of the Inland Transport Committee at its eighty-fifth session.

The Group of Experts may wish to be informed about relevant activities of the Global Forum for Road Traffic Safety (WP.1) at its eighty-sixth session.

3. Substantive activities

The Group of Experts may wish to be informed about activities undertaken in between the formal sessions by the drafting volunteers who had agreed, at the fifth session, to continue their work to further develop the draft legal instrument.

The Group of Experts will review the draft legal instrument drafted during informal sessions of the drafting volunteers on the basis of an informal document tabled before the session's start.

The main output expected from the Group of Experts being to draft a new legal instrument which is expected to complement the 1949 and 1968 Conventions on Road Traffic, the Group of Experts may wish to discuss of how to make the complement beneficial for all regions.

As a support to the voluntary writing group, the Group of Experts may wish to discuss delimitation of what not to be included in the draft of the legal instrument.

The Group of Experts may wish to consider any proposal for conducting further assessments to draft a legal text as raised by Canada, Sweden and United States of America at the WP.1 September 2022 session.

The Group of Experts may wish to review input related to road traffic safety and automated driving, if any, taking into account the existing 1949 and 1968 Conventions on Road Traffic.

The Group of Experts may wish to complete the final report of the group for the first term, based on the annex to ECE/TRANS/WP.1/2022/10.

4. Current status and next steps

In case the Inland Transport Committee would approve the extension of the mandate of the Group for two additional years until 31 May 2025, the Group of Experts may wish to review its programme of work (ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.3/2022/3) and may discuss future items for consideration in the second term of the Group.

5. Other business

The Group of Experts may wish to discuss and choose its own modus operandi, in between the formal sessions.

The Group of Experts may wish to discuss any other business.

6. Adoption of the report of the fifth session

The Group of Experts will adopt the report prepared after the fifth session in December 2022.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/WP.1/GE.3/2022/10

7. Next session

The next session of the Group of Experts is scheduled to take place on 30 November 2023.
