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Working Party on Transport Statistics

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Summary of Decisions¹

1. The seventy-fourth session of the Working Party was attended by the following countries and international organizations; Bosnia and Herzegovina; Czechia; Denmark; Finland; Germany; Greece; Hungary; Ireland; Italy; Latvia; Netherlands; Norway; Poland; Russian Federation; Switzerland; Tajikistan; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; International Telecommunication Union; European Commission (EC) (DG MOVE, Eurostat and European Union Agency for Railways); and the International Transport Forum. Samara State University of Railway Transport participated from academia.

Agenda item 1

2. The Working Party (WP.6) adopted its provisional agenda.

Agenda item 2

Transport indicators and monitoring the Sustainable Development Goals

- 3. WP.6 decided that the following additional indicators are appropriate for monitoring the transport-related Sustainable Development Goals in the ECE Region:
 - Percentage of new passenger cars that are zero emission.
 - Trends in new passenger car vehicle weight.
 - Breakdown of road fatalities by type of road user.
- 4. WP.6 requested that the secretariat develop the SDG microsite as presented. Concerning the Road Safety Action Plan for 2023-2030 discussed at the Inland Transport Committee in 2023, WP.6 emphasised that for monitoring, official statistics on traffic fatalities and injuries (as collated by WP.6 and partners) should be the primary benchmark for tracking progress.

¹ Following the session, the ECE secretariat, in cooperation with the Chair, will establish the report of the session for formal transmission to the Inland Transport Committee in February 2024.

Agenda item 3

Big Data and innovation in transport statistics production

5. WP.6 welcomed progress on the handbook on using Mobile Phone Data for Transport Statistics and transport planning.

Agenda item 4

Electric vehicle charging statistics

6. The Working Party agreed with the proposal to circulate a pilot questionnaire on electric vehicle charging infrastructure, focussing on public charging pools, stations and points, with categories agreeing with those of the European Alternative Fuels Observatory.

Agenda item 6

Data collection, methodological development and harmonization of transport statistics

- 7. WP.6 agreed that the tram and metro questionnaire should be continued.
- 8. WP.6 approved the approach of the secretariat to discontinue the dissemination of road vehicle load capacity data (this decision only affects ECE and not other organizations).
- 9. WP took note of definitions regarding moped and ongoing work by the ITF on micromobility. It was agreed that the definition of Moped could be updated to explicitly cover vehicle categories L1 and L2 only, and further that CQ collection could in future show a breakdown between fossil fuel mopeds and electric mopeds. Member States were encouraged to report on issues arising from emerging definitions relating to light/new mobility developments, and how this corresponds to existing vehicle data collection.
- 10. WP.6 expressed support for continued involvement in the Transport Data Commons Initiative.

Agenda item 7

Traffic censuses and geospatial statistics

11. WP.6 approved the recommendations for both the 2025 E-Road and E-Rail censuses, noting that modernisation of the Road census could include more timely data directly from traffic counters. The Rail census should ask countries to specify if TEN-T segments are core or comprehensive.

Agenda item 8

Dissemination of transport statistics by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

12. The Working Party endorsed the secretariat's approach to continue innovation in dissemination through data stories and other novel products.

Agenda Item 9 Rules of Procedure and Terms of Reference of the Working Party

13. WP.6 adopted new Rules of Procedure as set out in ECE/TRANS/WP.6/2023/6 to align with those of the Inland Transport Committee. As such, it also adopted new Terms of Reference (as set out in the same document) that refer to these new Rules of Procedure.

Agenda Item 10

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Inland Transport Committee and its subsidiary bodies

14. WP6 took note of updates from the secretariat regarding the UNECE climate change strategy, the group of experts on cycling infrastructure, and the Working party on Intermodal Transport and Logistics, and stood ready to assist as required.

Agenda item 13 Summary of decisions

15. The meeting adopted its main decisions. The report of the session will be prepared by the secretariat in cooperation with the Chair.