

## Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized  
System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

### Adoption of the agenda

## List of documents under agenda item

### Note by the secretariat

#### 1. Adoption of the agenda

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/87	Provisional agenda for the forty-fourth session
ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/87/Add.1	List of documents and annotations
Informal documents INF.1 and 2	List of documents and list of documents under agenda item
Informal document INF.10	Practical information and provisional timetable

#### Background documents (secretariat)

ST/SG/AC.10/30/Rev.10	Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), tenth revised edition
ST/SG/AC.10/1/Rev.23	Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Model Regulations (twenty-third revised edition)
ST/SG/AC.10/11/Rev.8	Manual of Tests and Criteria, eighth revised edition
ST/SG/AC.10/50 and Adds. 1 to 3	Report of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals on its eleventh session
ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/86	Report of the Sub-Committee of Experts on Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals on its forty-third session
ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/122 and -/Add.1	Report of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on its sixty-first session

## 2. Work on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

### (a) Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods on matters of interest to the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2023/1 (China)	Amendment to section 51.4.4.2 (e) of the Manual of Tests and Criteria
+ Informal document INF.22, item 1 (secretariat)	Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (TDG) on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee
ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2023/2 (Sweden)	Amendment of the definition “explosive or pyrotechnic effect”
+ Informal document INF.22, item 2 (secretariat)	Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (TDG) on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee
ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2023/3 (AEISG)	Consideration of amendments to chapter 2.17 (Desensitized explosives) of the GHS and section 51 of the Manual of Tests and Criteria
+ Informal document INF.15 (SAAMI) (TDG INF.28)	Comments and proposals related to document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2023/17–ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2023/3
+ Informal document INF.22, item 3 (secretariat)	Report of the TDG on matters of interest to the Sub-Committee
Informal document INF.5 (FEA) (TDG INF.4)	Aerosols: alignment of special provision 63 with special provision 362
+ Informal document INF.22, item 4 (secretariat)	Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (TDG) on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

### (b) Simultaneous classification in physical hazard classes and precedence of hazards

Informal document INF.14 (Germany) (TDG INF.26)	Use of non-animal testing methods for classification of health hazards: Status report
+ Informal document INF.22, item 5 (secretariat)	Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods (TDG) on matters of interest to the GHS Sub-Committee

### (c) Use of non-animal testing methods for classification of health hazards

Informal document INF.13 (United Kingdom/Netherlands)	Use of non-animal testing methods for classification of health hazards: Status report
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**(d) Classification criteria for germ cell mutagenicity**

Informal document INF.17 (European Union)	Status of the work of the informal working group on clarification of the criteria for classification for germ cell mutagenicity
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**(e) Potential hazard issues and their presentation in the Globally Harmonized System**

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2023/6 (European Union)	Potential hazard issues and their presentation in the Globally Harmonized System: Mandate to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) on endocrine disruptors
+ Informal document INF.19 (European Union)	Potential hazard issues and their presentation in the Globally Harmonized System: workplan 2023-2024

**(f) Practical classification issues (proposed amendments to the Globally Harmonized System)**

At the time of writing no document with proposals for amendment to the GHS has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

Information about the progress on the work of the informal working group on the remaining items on its programme of work will be considered by the Sub-Committee under agenda item 4 (a).

**(g) Nanomaterials**

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

**(h) Hazard communication for gases addressed in the Montreal Protocol and other conventions**

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2023/4 + Informal document INF.3 (Austria, Finland, Germany, United Kingdom, United States of America and the European Union)	Revision of chapter 4.2 to include classification and hazard communication for greenhouse gasses listed in the annexes of the Montreal Protocol
Informal document INF.11 (Austria, Germany, European Union)	Hazard communication for substances that are hazardous to the atmospheric system: Terms of reference and workplan

**(i) Improvement of annexes 1 to 3 and further rationalization of precautionary statements**

Informal document INF.6 (United Kingdom)	Precautionary statement issues related to hazard category 5 for the acute toxicity hazard classes
Informal document INF.7 (United Kingdom)	Status of the work of the annexes 1 to 3 informal working group

**(j) Practical labelling issues**

ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/2023/5                      Revision of examples 1 to 7 in annex 7  
+ Informal document INF.4  
(Cefic on behalf of the informal  
working group)

**(k) Other matters**

Informal document INF.16                      Proposal to add hazard communication requirements for  
(China)    substances or mixtures emitting volatile and flammable  
vapours in annex 4 of the GHS (Guidance on the  
preparation of Safety Data Sheets (SDS))  
  
+ Informal document INF.22,                      Work of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport  
item 6 (secretariat)                              of Dangerous Goods (TDG) on matters of interest to the  
GHS Sub-Committee  
  
Informal document INF.20                      Use of “should”, “shall”, “may” and “must” in the GHS  
(United States of America)

**3. Implementation**

**(a) Possible development of a list of chemicals classified in accordance with the Globally Harmonized System**

Informal document INF.21                      Status update on the ongoing work of the global list  
(United States of America and                      informal working group  
Canada)

**(b) Reports on the status of implementation**

Informal document INF.12 (Canada)      Report on the implementation of GHS in Canada

Experts, observers and international organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee about the progress in the GHS implementation in their respective countries or areas of work.

**(c) Cooperation with other bodies or international organizations**

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

**(d) Miscellaneous**

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

## 4. Development of guidance on the application of the Globally Harmonized System

### (a) Practical classification issues

Informal document INF.18 (United States of America)	Status update on the work of the practical classification issues informal correspondence group
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### (b) Practical labelling issues

The Sub-Committee will consider the proposal for amendment of examples 1 to 7 in annex 7 of the GHS under agenda item 2 (j).

The representative of the European Chemical Industry (Cefic) may wish to update the Sub-Committee on the work of the informal working group regarding the development of additional guidance for labelling. For reference see ST/SG/AC.10/C.4/86, para.41.

### (c) Miscellaneous

At the time of writing no document has been submitted under this agenda sub-item.

## 5. Capacity building

Experts, observers and international organizations may wish to inform the Sub-Committee of any capacity-building activities or projects undertaken in relation to the GHS.

## 6. Implementation of Agenda 2030 and work of the Economic and Social Council

Informal document INF.9 (secretariat) ( <i>TDG INF.16</i> )	Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts during 2021-2022, work programme for 2023-2024 and related ECOSOC resolution
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Informal document INF.9/Add.1 (secretariat) ( <i>TDG INF.16/Add.1</i> )	ECOSOC resolution E/RES/2023/5 on the Work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
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## 7. Other business

Informal document INF.8 (secretariat) ( <i>TDG INF.15</i> )	Consultative relations between the United Nations and non-governmental organizations
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## 8. Adoption of the report

In accordance with the established practice, the Sub-Committee may wish to adopt the report on its forty-fourth session and its annex(es) on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.