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UN/LOCODE Task Force



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Raised Issues and Decisions from the Last AG Meeting

Key Challenge for UN/LOCODE

- Maintenance policy issues pending for further studies and clarifications through task force(s)



Decisions

- **Decision 23-4:** Establish a task force to identify small fishery ports to meet the FAO demand
- **Decision 23-8:** Establish a task force to study the feasibility of fast-tracking UN/LOCODE as an ISO standard
- **Decision 23-14:** Follow up with future discussions on the proposed official child code to identify sub-locations
- **Decision 23-16:** Set up a single task force, led by the Vice Chair and supported by the secretariat, to accomplish the various tasks in an optimal order



Task Force: Terms of Reference

Objectives

- Address key issues raised at the 2023 Meeting of the UN/LOCODE Advisory Group
- Report on its findings and recommendations at the 2024 AG Meeting

Scope

1. Identify small fishery ports to meet the FAO demand
2. Undertake a feasibility study to fast-track UN/LOCODE as an ISO standard
3. Address the co-existence of UN/LOCODEs assigned to locations (areas) and sub-locations (points)
4. Test the new web-based online Data Maintenance Request system



Task Force: Terms of Reference (Cont.)

Participation

- Any interested members of the Group for participation
- Selected experts, representatives of related international organizations, and other entities may participate upon invitation.
- Participants can engage in one or more tasks on a voluntary and self-financed basis.

Mode of Operation

- Subgroups led by leaders
- Regular meetings, both physical and virtual, in English
 - Coordination meetings
 - Working meetings
- Decisions made on a consensus basis
- Report and recommendations to be submitted to the 2024 AG Meeting



Responsibilities and Timeline

Leaders' Responsibilities

- Call for volunteer experts for efficient participation and discussions on the assigned task
- Lead the research, analysis, and drafting process for the report and recommendations on the assigned task
- Finalize the submission of document(s)
- Ensure ongoing collaboration with the ECE secretariat for coordinated progress and support

Timeline

- First week of April



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UN/LOCODE Advisory Group

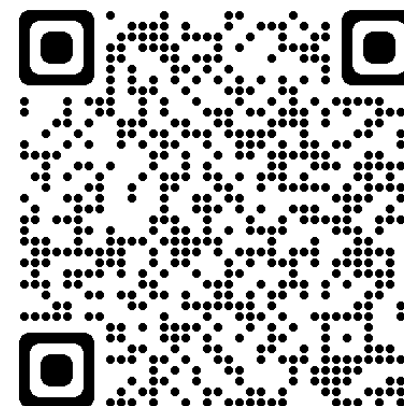
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Chair



Maria Teresa CHAVARRI
Vice Chair

UN/LOCODE Maintenance Team

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2024 Meeting of UN/LOCODE Advisory Group



Date: 6 - 7 May 2024

Format: In-person

Venue: Hapag-Lloyd AG, Ballindamm 25, 20095

Hamburg, Germany

Host: Hapag-Lloyd

Target Audience: the UN/LOCODE Advisory

Group

members, representatives of the UN/LOCODE user

community, UN/LOCODE Focal Points, and

UN/CEFACT experts



Thank you for your attention!



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