

## **DRAFT REPORT OF THE 50<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE IWG ON DETA**

Date: Friday 21 June 2024  
Venue: ACEA Office Brussels, hybrid meeting  
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### **Agenda**

1. Adoption of the provisional agenda.
2. Approval of the draft minutes of the IWG on DETA 49th session.
3. State of play.
4. Widening of the scope of DETA
5. Unique Identifier.
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The Chair provided a welcome and introduction and drew attention to this meeting being the 50<sup>th</sup> session.

#### **1. Adoption of the provisional agenda.**

Document DETA-50-01e. The agenda was adopted as presented.

#### **2. Approval of the draft minutes of the IWG on DETA 49th session.**

Document DETA-50-02e. The draft minutes were approved.

#### **3. State of play.**

The Chair explained that the DETA system was working well and stable. He noted that twenty authorities uploaded in total 67,800 approvals and thirty-eight Contracting Parties notified a focal point to access the system. About 7,000 manufacturers were uploaded. He added that only a few Contracting Parties are actively uploading large numbers of approvals and encouraged others to follow soon. For Contracting Parties issuing a small number of approvals, uploading can be done manually. He also informed that the German KBA is uploading all new approvals by the mass-upload functionality and will also upload old approvals, issued three-four years back.

As regards the 'two-factor authentication' he explained that implementation is still planned for the end of the year together with the next DETA release.

The 'check box' to remind users about the confidentiality of the stored documents, as agreed during the previous DETA session, is expected to be introduced after the summer break.

The Chair reported that WP.29 during its last session, agreed to the proposed access to DETA for Technical Services and amended the table on access rights accordingly (as included in the report ...WP.29/1177).

#### **4. Widening of the scope of DETA.**

The chair inquired about ideas to widen the scope of DETA to make it attractive to new stakeholders and for applications beyond the 1958 Agreement as previously requested by WP.29. The Secretary reminded the group that during the previous session it was discussed to share non-UNECE documentation and recall information by DETA. The expert from OICA however questioned the need for this and noted it should first be clarified who would need that information and for what purpose. The expert from CLEPA also reminded the group that this was already discussed before in the context of the UI marking.

The Chair recalled previous discussions on exchanging XML files by DETA and added this can already be done by DETA and is rather an evolution than a widening of the scope.

The Secretary asked the group to check what other working parties are discussing in the context of data exchange and to consider how DETA could be beneficial for those purposes.

The Chair concluded that there were currently no new ideas on widening the scope and suggested to keep it on the agenda for next session.

**5. Unique Identifier.**

The Chair of the IWVTA IWG reported on the outcome of the discussions from the IWG's 45<sup>th</sup> session on 20 June. He explained that the IWVTA IWG decided, based on input from the bodies subsidiary to WP.29 and GRE in particular, to put the UI on hold. He added that an amendment to Schedule 5 of the 1958 Agreement will be proposed to the 193<sup>rd</sup> session of WP.29, as follows:

*"... the approval markings required by UN Regulations may be replaced by a Unique Identifier (UI) preceded by the symbol (UI), if ~~unless~~ explicitly specified otherwise in the UN Regulations and subject to the availability of the corresponding feature in the secure internet database."*

The IWG on DETA Chair concluded that the IWG on DETA will stop any implementing activities on the UI until further notice and to remove it from the agenda for future meetings. No comments had been received from the IWG on DETA delegations on this.

**6. AOB.**

**Procedure to notify a 'Focal Point' from technical services.**

The Chair reiterated that WP.29 agreed to the proposal from the IWG to give technical services access to type-approvals in DETA and to distinguish between technical services and manufacturers acting as such. He expected that this could start after the summer break when the 'check box' with confidentiality note was implemented. He then suggested that the SPOC's from the Contracting Parties would be requested to liaise with their technical services (not being manufacturers) about any Focal Points they would like to appoint, and to forward that information to the DETA Administrator. For transparency reasons, this information will also be provided to the UNECE Secretariat. The representative from the UNECE Secretariat suggested to reduce its workload by receiving this information compiled from the DETA Administration. After that, the information can be made public by means on an informal document to WP.29, by publishing it on a UNECE webpage, or by any other means. The IWG Secretary suggested using the existing 'data sharing web page', which is already used for collecting information on DETA. The Chair proposed to look into a pragmatic approach together with the DETA Administrator.

**Implementation of DoC.**

The Chair of the IWVTA IWG reported on the outcome of the discussions from the IWG's 45<sup>th</sup> session on 20 June. He explained that the IWVTA IWG is still investigating the benefits of the DoC. The IWVTA IWG will continue to discuss this during next session. If the IWG will decide not to continue with the DoC, it will prepare an amendment to UN Regulation No. 0 accordingly.

The IWG on DETA Chair believed it was difficult to assess the benefits of the DoC as UNR0 approvals had hardly been issued so no experience gathered. The expert from OICA and the Secretary, speaking on behalf of The Netherlands, confirmed having no interest in the DoC.

The Chair concluded that the IWG on DETA will put any implementing activities on the DoC on hold until further notice and to remove it from the agenda for future meetings. No comments had been received from the IWG on DETA delegations on this.

**7. Report to WP.29.**

The IWG drafted the status report to WP.29, in line with the decisions made during the session, document DETA-50-03e.

**8. Next meetings.**

The Chair, in liaison with the IWVTA IWG Chair, decided that, due to the limited items left for discussion, the next IWVTA IWG and IWG on DETA sessions would be combined on one day, as follows:

Hybrid session on Thursday 7 November 2024, venue UNECE Geneva,

- IWG on DETA: from 14:00-16:30

- IWVTA IWG: morning session, starting 9:30.

The Chair closed the meeting by thanking the representatives from Australia, the OICA Secretary General/Technical Director and the experts from Goodyear on behalf of ETRTO and the software house for all their contributions to the work of the IWG on DETA, as they retired or will be soon.