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**SUMMARY OF THE MAJOR RESULTS OF THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE
UNECE WORKING PARTY ON INDUSTRY AND
ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT (WP.8)
13 – 14 FEBRUARY 2003**

<p>DOCUMENT FOR INFORMATION</p>

Note by the secretariat

1. At its fourth session, the Working Party on Industry and Enterprise Development (WP.8) elected Ms. Judit Habuda (Hungary) as its Chair. Ms. D. Karajic (Croatia) and Ms. T. Skameykina (Russian Federation) continued their terms as Vice-Chairs of the Working Party.
2. It agreed to the proposal of the Bureau of the Committee for Trade, Industry and Enterprise Development (CTIED) to organize an industry and enterprise development week, including a forum on a selected topic, during one of the sessions of the CTIED. At the same time, the Working Party felt it was more appropriate to hold this event in 2005 so that the secretariat could have more time for preparations and the Working Party at its next meeting could discuss the agenda for this week. The Working Party asked the secretariat to convey its opinion on this matter to the next session of the CTIED.
3. The Working Party extended the mandates of the teams of specialists on CHEMISEED; Entrepreneurship in Poverty Alleviation; Women's Entrepreneurship; and Internet Enterprise Development.

4. It decided to establish and adopt the terms of reference for an Oversight Advisory Group to help the secretariat manage the Trust Fund for the Digital Economy sub-programme. The Meeting nominated the Chair of WP.8 and the members of the Bureau of the Team of Specialists on Internet Enterprise Development to this Advisory Group.

5. The Working Party took note of a number of proposals regarding possible new activities. It asked the secretariat to consider them in conjunction with an assessment of the programme of work and prioritization of its activities. This assessment will be undertaken by the Bureau of the Working Party with support from the secretariat in order to better satisfy the needs of member States in the area of industry and enterprise development. The review of the programme of work will result in the identification of programme elements benefiting the majority of the member States, and prioritization of activities on that basis.

6. The Working Party decided that a Round Table on a selected topic would be organized during its next session. It asked its Bureau to decide on the theme of this Round Table.

7. The Working Party adopted its programme of work for 2003-2004.

8. It also agreed to hold the next session on 12 and 13 February 2004.

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