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## DRAFT PROGRAMME OF WORK FOR 2004-2008 AND THE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS OF THE WORKING PARTY AND ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES FOR 2004

## Transmitted by the secretariat

<u>Note</u>: The draft programme of work reproduced below was prepared by the secretariat and it is transmitted to WP.29 for consideration. To facilitate the comparison of the draft programme of work with the text adopted by the Inland Transport Committee at its sixty-fourth session (ECE/TRANS/139/Add.1), the additional elements are indicated in bold characters, while the text proposed for deletion is placed in square brackets.

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## I. PROGRAMME OF WORK

## PROGRAMME ACTIVITY 02.4: DEVELOPMENT AND HARMONIZATION OF VEHICLE REGULATIONS

## 02.4.1. Regulations for the construction of vehicles

Priority: 1

<u>Description</u>: The World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) will develop regulations and recommendations for motor vehicles, their equipment and parts and harmonize and update the existing ones, including the relevant activities aimed at improving road transport safety, saving energy and taking into account the protection of the environment.

#### CONTINUING ACTIVITIES

## Work to be undertaken:

- (a) In the framework of the "Agreement concerning the adoption of uniform technical prescriptions for wheeled vehicles, equipment and parts which can be fitted and/or be used on wheeled vehicles and the conditions for reciprocal recognition of approvals granted on the basis of these prescriptions" (1958 Agreement) and the "Agreement concerning the establishing of global technical regulations for wheeled vehicles, equipment and parts which can be fitted and/or be used on wheeled vehicles" (1998 Agreement), the World Forum will develop, harmonize and update Regulations in order to enhance performance of vehicles with respect to:
  - (i) general safety and anti-theft provisions.
  - (ii) pollution and energy.
  - (iii) brakes and running gear.
  - (iv) lighting and light-signalling.
  - (v) noise.
  - (vi) passive safety.

Priority: 1

## Output expected by the end of [2003] 2005:

- 1. Under the 1958 Agreement: Adoption of [two] **four** new ECE Regulations; Adoption of [fifty] **sixty** amendments to existing ECE Regulations.
- 2. Under the 1998 Agreement: Implementation of an action plan for placing and harmonizing Regulations in the Compendium of Candidates; The development of new global technical regulations (gtr); Establishment of [two] five harmonized or new global technical regulations (gtr) in the global registry.
- (b) Development of recommendations regarding the construction of vehicles (Consolidated Resolution R.E.3) with the aim of providing guidance with respect to requirements not covered by regulations.

  Priority: 1

Output expected by the end of [2003] 2005: Adoption of [one] two amendment to an existing Recommendation. [Adoption of a new Consolidated Resolution on construction of vehicles linked to the 1998 Agreement]

02.4.2. Rules on periodical technical inspections of vehicles Priority: [2] 1

<u>Description</u>: The World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP.29) will develop rules for periodical technical inspections of wheeled vehicles with respect to their environmental and safety performance and for the reciprocal recognition of the results of such inspections.

## **CONTINUING ACTIVITIES**

## Work to be undertaken:

In the framework of the "Agreement concerning the adoption of uniform conditions for periodical technical inspections of wheeled vehicles and the reciprocal recognition of such inspections" (after its entry into force), the World Forum will develop **one** ECE Rule[s] for inspections of vehicles:

(i) with regard to environmental performance

[(i)] with regard to safety performance. Priority: [2] 1

Output expected by the end of [2003] 2005: [Consideration] Adoption of draft Rule No. 2 (concerning inspections with respect to safety,) to be annexed to the Agreement.

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## II. CALENDAR OF MEETINGS OF WP.29 AND OF ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES FOR 2004 \*/

<u>Meetings</u>	Session	<u>Dates</u>	<u>No.of</u> half-days
Working Party on Pollution and Energy (GRPE)	forty-seventh	13 - 16 January (p.m./a.m.)	6
Working Party on Brakes and Running Gear (GRRF)	fifty-fifth	2 - 6 February (p.m./a.m.)	8
Working Party on Noise (GRB)	thirty-ninth session	24 - 27 February (p.m./a.m.)	6
Administrative Committee (WP.29/AC.2)	eighty-fourth	8 March	2
World Forum (WP.29) and Admin./ Executive Committees (AC.1; AC.3; AC.4)	one-hundred-and-thirty-s 26th; 10th; 5th	econd 9 - 12 March	8
Working Party on Light. and Light-Signal. (GRE)	fifty-second	30 March - 2 April (p.m./a.m.)	6
Working Party on Gen. Safety Provisions (GRSG)	eighty-sixth	19 - 23 April (p.m./a.m.)	8
Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP)	thirty-fifth	3 - 7 May (p.m./a.m.)	8
Working Party on Pollution and Energy (GRPE)	forty-eighth	1 - 4 June (p.m./a.m.)	6
Administrative Committee (WP.29/AC.2)	eighty-fifth	21 June	2
World Forum (WP.29) and Admin./ Executive Committees (AC.1; AC.3; AC.4)	one-hundred-and-thirty-th 27th; 11th 6th	nird 22 - 25 June	8
Working Party on Brakes and Running Gear (GRRF)	fifty-sixth	20 - 22 September	6
Working Party on Noise (GRB)	fortieth	23 - 24 September	4
Working Party on Lighting and LightSignalling (GRE)	fifty-third	4 - 8 October (p.m/a.m)	8
Working Party on Gen. Safety Provisions (GRSG)	eighty-seventh	12 - 15 October (p.m./a.m.)	6
Administrative Committee (WP.29/AC.2)	eighty-sixth	15 November	2
World Forum (WP.29) and Admin./ Executive Committees (AC.1; AC.3; AC.4)	one-hundred-and-thirty-fo	ourth 16 - 19 November	8
Working Party on Passive Safety (GRSP)	thirty-sixth	7 - 10 December (p.m/a.m)	6
days		Total	108 half- (54 days)

<sup>\*/</sup> The sessions marked "(p.m./a.m.)" will begin in the afternoon, at 14.30 h on the indicated date and will be closed at 12.30 h on the indicated date.

The sessions marked "(p.m.)" will begin in the afternoon, at 14.30 h on the indicated date and are expected to last until 17.30 h on the indicated date.

The sessions not marked start at 9.30 h on the indicated date and are expected to last until 17.30 h on the indicated date.

The sessions of WP.29/AC.2 begin at 10.00 h on the indicated date.

The sessions of WP.29 proper begin at 10.00 h on the indicated date.

The sessions of the Administrative / Executive Committees are held during WP.29 sessions:

AC.1 (1958 Agreement) on Wednesdays, towards the end of the afternoon;

AC.3 (1998 Agreement) on Thursdays morning;

AC.4 (1997 Agreement) on Thursdays afternoon (if needed).

## Notes:

Inland Transport Committee (ITC), sixty-sixth session: 17-19 February 2004;

(ITC Bureau: 16 February (limited participation) and 20 February 2004);

Geneva Motor Show, Palexpo: 4-14 March 2004;

(Press days: 4 and 5 March 2003);

Economic Commission for Europe, fifty-ninth session: [24-26 February 2004].