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**Inland Transport Committee**

**Working Party on the Transport of Perishable Foodstuffs**

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**Programme of work and biennial evaluation**

**Draft programme of work for 2014-2015**

**Note by the secretariat**

**Outputs/activities to be delivered in the 2014–2015 biennium**

**Subprogramme: 02 Transport**

Cluster 14

**Transport of perishable foodstuffs**

<i>Description of cluster (optional)</i>	<i>Expected accomplishments from this cluster</i>
<p>The main aims of the cluster are to:</p> <p>Initiate and pursue actions aimed at enhancing the preservation of the quality of perishable foodstuffs during their carriage, particularly in international transport;</p> <p>Promote the facilitation of international transport of perishable foodstuffs by harmonizing the relevant regulations and rules and the administrative procedures and documentation requirements to which this transport is subject;</p> <p>Develop and update the Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be Used for such Carriage (ATP), concluded in Geneva in 1970;</p> <p>Ensure harmonization of the ATP with other relevant legal instruments on the transport of perishable foodstuffs developed in other fora;</p> <p>Main actions by the Transport Division:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Act as secretariat to the Working Party on the Transport of Perishable Foodstuffs (WP.11);</li> <li>- Issue updated publications of the ATP and ATP Handbook;</li> <li>- Organize activities, including workshops, aimed at enhancing implementation of the ATP and</li> </ul>	<p>Enhanced and updated international requirements for the transport of perishable foodstuffs</p>

promoting accession by other States;

- Cooperate with Governments and other actors (intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations) in the field of refrigerated transport

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### **Outputs/activities**

#### *(a) Meetings and related parliamentary documentation*

14.1 Working Party on the Transport of Perishable Foodstuffs (WP.11): 69<sup>th</sup> session (dates to be decided in 2014), 70<sup>th</sup> session (dates to be decided in 2015)

Reports of the annual sessions of WP.11; Documents on the exchange of information on the implementation of the ATP; Proposals of amendments to the ATP and its annexes; Proposals for additions to the ATP Handbook; Proposals on the possible extension of the scope of ATP; Programme of work and biennial evaluation.

#### *(b) Publications and other information material*

14.2 2015 issue of the publication of the ATP

14.3 Updates of the ATP Handbook on the Transport Division website

#### *(c) Technical cooperation*

14.4 Activities, including a possible workshop, aimed at enhancing implementation of the ATP, promoting accession by countries in and outside the ECE region, and at reducing the environmental impact of refrigerated transport;

14.5 Cooperation with other organizations working in the field of refrigerated transport including the International Institute of Refrigeration and Transfrigoroute International.

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