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## **Economic Commission for Europe**

### **Inland Transport Committee**

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Item 3 of the provisional agenda
Meeting of the Chairs of the Committee's
subsidiary bodies on the review of UNECE reform
and strengthening cooperation (one-and-a-half hour
restricted meeting for government delegates only)

# Meeting of the Chairs of the Committee's subsidiary bodies

#### Note by the secretariat

- 1. As part of its seventy-third session (2011), the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) held a first meeting of the Chairs of its subsidiary bodies, which was also attended by the Chairs of Administrative Committees of UNECE legal instruments, members of the Bureau and government delegates. The Committee welcomed this initiative and recommended that such meetings should become a regular feature of its sessions.
- 2. The second meeting took place in 2012, during the seventy-fourth session of ITC. The meeting focused on the review of the UNECE reform, as well as on issues relating to strengthening cooperation, synergy and interdependence as well as sharing experiences.
- 3. The provisional agenda of the 2013 meeting is annexed to this document.
- 4. In view of the restricted character of the meeting, the results of the discussions will be circulated among the Chairs of the Committee's subsidiary bodies and the members of the Bureau, in the form of Chair's conclusions.

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#### Annex

## Meeting of the Chairs of the Committee's subsidiary bodies

Restricted meeting – for Government delegates only\* (27 February 2013 from 10.00 – 11.30, Salle XVII)

## Provisional agenda

#### Welcome and introduction of the meeting's objectives

By the ITC Chair and the Director of the Transport Division

# Item 1: The decision making process for global legal instruments by regional working parties

Participants may wish to exchange views on how their respective bodies deal with legal instruments, which:

- include Contracting Parties from beyond the UNECE region;
- which have a close interdependence and synergy with organizations of regional integration, such as the European Union or, for the future, possibly, the Eurasian Economic Committee (for example, in the field of vehicle regulations, dangerous goods transport, digital tachograph etc.).

# Item 2: Access to regional legal instruments by Contracting Parties from beyond the UNECE region

Vice versa, participants may wish to exchange views on how:

- they implement global legal instruments through the UNECE working parties and
- their respective bodies treat accessions to legal instruments with a clear regional scope.

#### **Item 3:** The ECE Reform Review

The secretariat will inform participants about the latest developments of the on-going ECE Reform Review. Participants are invited to consider the substantive priorities included in the work programs of the ITC and its subsidiary bodies (ECE/TRANS/2012/9/Rev.1) and discuss what changes to make, if any.

#### Item 4: Any other business

Participants may discuss any other business, including the relevance and tentative schedule of further meetings in the future.

<sup>\*</sup> Due to the restricted nature of this meeting, Government experts are requested to communicate their credentials to the secretariat in order to be included in the list of admitted participants. Accreditations may be also communicated through the missions. The Chairs of the Committee's subsidiary bodies, Chairs of Administrative Committees of UNECE legal instruments and ITC Bureau members do not need to go through this process. Their names will be automatically included by the secretariat in the list of admitted participants.