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Working Party on Public-Private Partnerships

Second session

Geneva, 20-21 November 2018

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda¹ for the second session²

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10.00 a.m. on 20 November 2018.

I. Provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Election of officers.
3. Effective implementation of the Economic Commission for Europe People-first Public-Private Partnerships approach in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.
4. Review of the Public-Private Partnerships work since the first session of the Working Party on Public-Private Partnerships on 21-22 November 2017.
5. Implementation plan for 2018-2019.
6. Other business.
7. Adoption of the report of the second session.

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² Approved by the Bureau of the Working Party on Public-Private Partnerships.



II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

Item 1. Adoption of the agenda

<i>Title of document</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>	<i>For information/decision</i>
Annotated provisional agenda	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/1	Decision

1. The Working Party will adopt the agenda of its second session.

Item 2. Election of officers

2. At its first session in 2017, the Working Party on Public-Private Partnerships, elected Mr. Arthur Smith (United States) as Chair of for a period of two years. At the same time, the Working Party elected the following officers to serve a two-year term as vice-Chairs: Mr. Steven Van Garsse (Belgium), Mr. Mark Romoff (Canada), Mr. Kaimeng Li (China), Mr. Alecos Michaelides (Cyprus), Mr. Frédéric Bobay (France), Mr. Sam Tabuchi (Japan), Mr. Ziad Hayek (Lebanon), Ms. Sonia Mezzour (Morocco), Mr. Hafiz Salikhov (Russian Federation), Mr. Ibrohim Usmonzoda (Tajikistan), and Ms. Sedef Yavuz Noyan (Turkey).

Item 3. Effective implementation of the Economic Commission for Europe People-first Public-Private Partnerships approach in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

3. Under this agenda item, member States will have the opportunity to present their current work on how they are implementing the ECE People-first Public-Private Partnerships approach in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Member States are invited to submit their presentations to the secretariat in advance to be presented to the delegates in a background document.

4. The Working Party will hold discussions on the ECE three-pillar approach to People-first Public-Private Partnerships capacity building and the implementation of Public-Private Partnerships standards, namely:

- (a) National capacity building to build the capacity of member States;
- (b) Multilateral dialogue to discuss issues of common interest and to exchange best practices; and
- (c) Project facilitation to identify and prepare the right People-first Public-Private Partnerships projects.

5. The detailed programme of the debate will be developed in consultation with the Bureau and will be made available to participants on the ECE website.³

³ The programme will be available at: <https://www.unece.org/ppp/wpppp2.html>

Item 4. Review of the Public-Private Partnerships work since the first session of the Working Party on Public-Private Partnerships on 21-22 November 2017

<i>Title of document</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>	<i>For information/decision</i>
Guiding Principles on People-First Public-Private Partnerships in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/3	Decision
ECE Declaration on a Zero Tolerance Approach to Corruption in Public-Private Partnership Procurement	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/4	Decision
Introduction to People-First Public-Private Partnerships in Support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/5	Information
ECE Standard on Public-Private Partnerships in Railways	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/6	Decision
ECE Standard on Public-Private Partnerships in Renewable Energy	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/7	Decision
ECE Standard on Public-Private Partnerships in Roads	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/8	Decision
Technical Document accompanying the ECE Standard on Public-Private Partnerships in Roads	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/INF.1	Information
Technical Document accompanying the ECE Standard on Public-Private Partnerships in Railways	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/INF.2	Information
Public-Private Partnerships: Project Planning and Prioritization	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/9	Decision
Involving reliable and independent experts to develop People-first Public-Private Partnerships projects in low and middle-income countries	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/10	Decision

<i>Title of document</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>	<i>For information/decision</i>
List of essential clauses in concession contracts in People-first Public-Private Partnerships in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/11	Decision
A Historical Analysis of Different Generations of Public-Private Partnerships	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/12	Decision
Report of the third ECE International Forum on People-first Public-Private Partnerships for the Sustainable Development Goals	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/INF.3	Information
Putting the Guiding Principles on People-first Public-Private Partnerships into practice	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2018/13	Decision

6. The Working Party will review the work on Public-Private Partnerships undertaken by the ECE International Centre of Excellence on Public-Private Partnerships (ICoE) since November 2017 on:

- (a) The International Public-Private Partnerships Standards, Guiding Principles, Declarations, and Recommendations;
- (b) Issues related to the Public-Private Partnerships Business Advisory Board; and
- (c) Other capacity building activities and initiatives.

A. International Public-Private Partnerships Standards, Guiding Principles, Declarations, and Recommendations

7. The documents below have been developed with the assistance of the secretariat and reviewed by the Bureau of the Working Party. The Bureau presents the documents for consideration of the Working Party and recommend their approval for forwarding to the Committee on Innovation, Competitiveness and Public-Private Partnership for adoption.

The Working Party will decide on whether to endorse the recommendation of its Bureau to approve the following documents:

- (a) Guiding Principles on People-first Public-Private Partnerships in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals;
- (b) Standard on Public-Private Partnerships in Railways;
- (c) Standard on Public-Private Partnerships in Roads;
- (d) Standard on Public-Private Partnerships in Renewable Energy;

- (e) Declaration on a Zero Tolerance Approach to Corruption in Public-Private Partnerships Procurement;
 - (f) A Historical Analysis of Different Generations of Public-Private Partnerships;
 - (g) Public-Private Partnerships: Project Planning and Prioritization;
 - (h) Involving reliable and independent experts to develop People-first Public-Private Partnerships projects in low and middle-income countries;
 - (i) List of essential clauses in concession contracts in People-first Public-Private Partnerships in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals; and.
 - (j) Putting the Guiding Principles on People-first Public-Private Partnerships into practice.
8. The Working Party will receive a progress report on the following draft standards prepared by project teams:
- (a) Water Supply and Sanitation;
 - (b) Urban Rail Transit; and
 - (c) Model Law for Public-Private Partnerships/Concessions.

B. Issues related to the Public-Private Partnerships Business Advisory Board

9. The Working Party will review the work of the Public-Private Partnerships Business Advisory Board since the last session.

C. Other capacity building activities and initiatives

10. The Working Party will review the capacity building activities carried out since the last session, including the outcome of the third ECE International Public-Private Partnerships Forum held in Geneva on 7-9 May 2018.
11. The members of the Working Party will have the opportunity to take stock of past Public-Private Partnerships activities and discuss effective means for the promotion and dissemination of this work.

Item 5. Implementation plan for 2018-2019

<i>Title of document</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>	<i>For information/decision</i>
Report of the Committee on Innovation, Competitiveness and Public-Private Partnerships on its twelfth session	ECE/CECI/2018/2	Information
Report of the Working Party on Public-Private Partnerships on its first session	ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2017/2	Information

12. The Working Party will discuss proposals for work to be undertaken in the remainder of 2018 and in 2019 in accordance with the Implementation Plan for 2018-2019 of the Committee on Innovation, Competitiveness and Public-Private Partnerships (ECE/CECI/2018/2, Annex II).

13. The Working Party will review and decide on the latest list of topics for Public-Private Partnerships standards agreed at its last session (ECE/CECI/WP/PPP/2017/2, Annex I). Additionally, the Working Party will have the opportunity to hear proposals for new standards to be developed where the Working Party has a mandate on Sustainable Development Goals' related areas. New proposals are subject to interest by expert participating in project teams and resources. Presentations will also be made to review progress on the work of international standards in urban rail, water and sanitation and on the general framework of legal conditions for Public-Private Partnerships, as well as on the guidelines on Public-Private Partnerships in waste to energy.

14. There will also be a discussion on assisting countries with the implementation of the Public-Private Partnerships standards in cooperation with Specialist Centres of Excellence, the Business Advisory Board and other organisations.

15. Participants are encouraged to communicate to the meeting any expressions of interest by member States or other stakeholders for receiving, delivering, or hosting capacity-building activities in the priority areas of the Working Party's work. Requests from member States for capacity-building activities and policy advisory services will be considered based on available capacity and extrabudgetary resources.

16. Participants are also encouraged to bring to the attention of the session any expression of interest by member States and other stakeholders to provide extrabudgetary support to the work of the ICoE (such as funds or in-kind contributions, including the organization of seminars, twinning schemes or networking initiatives).

Item 6. Other business

Dates of the next session

17. The secretariat proposes that the third session of the Working Party takes place in Geneva in the second half of 2019, subject to conference room availability at the Palais des Nations. The Working Party will decide on the dates of the next session.

Item 7. Adoption of the report of the second session

18. The Working Party will adopt the report of its second session.

III. Tentative timetable

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda Item</i>
Tuesday, 20 November 2018	
10:00-13:00	Item 1. Adoption of the agenda Item 2. Election of officers Item 3. Effective implementation of the ECE's People-first Public-Private Partnerships approach in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals
13:00-15:00	Lunch break

<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda Item</i>
15:00-18:00	Item 3. Effective implementation of the ECE's People-first Public-Private Partnerships approach in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (cont'd)
Wednesday, 21 November 2018	
10:00-13:00	Item 4. Review of the Public-Private Partnerships work since the first session of the Working Party on 21-22 November 2017
13:00-15:00	Lunch break
15:00-18:00	Item 5. Implementation plan for 2018-2019 Item 6. Other business Item 7. Adoption of the report of the second session
