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Decisions relating to the Inland Transport Committee

Decision on matters relating to five subsidiary bodies of the Inland Transport Committee

Background

1. At its eighty-third session (Geneva, 23–26 February 2021), the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) approved the renewal of the mandates of the following groups of experts on the basis of their existing terms of reference (ToRs) (ECE/TRANS/2021/L.1):

(a) Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals until 31 December 2022;

(b) Group of Experts on the European Agreement concerning the work of crews of vehicles engaged in international road transport (AETR) until the end of June 2023;

(c) the Group of Experts on Benchmarking Transport Infrastructure Construction Costs until 2022, with the aim to hold at least two sessions annually in 2021 and 2022 with interpretation in the three official languages of the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE).

2. Furthermore, the Committee approved the establishment of the following groups of experts (ECE/TRANS/2021/L.1 and Add.1):

(a) Group of Experts tasked with drafting a new legal instrument on international rail passenger hubs until 2023, on the basis of the ToRs contained in annex II of ECE/TRANS/2021/6;

(b) Group of Experts tasked with drafting a new legal instrument on the use of automated vehicles in road traffic until 2023 on the basis of the ToRs included in annex III of ECE/TRANS/2021/6.

3. The Executive Committee is invited to approve the renewal of the mandates of the above existing Groups of Experts and the establishment of the above new Groups of Experts, on the basis of their terms of reference and the related ITC decisions.

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4. The Executive Committee hereby approves the renewal of the mandates of the:



(a) Group of Experts on Road Signs and Signals until 31 December 2022, as contained in ECE/TRANS/2021/L.1;

(b) Group of Experts on the European Agreement concerning the work of crews of vehicles engaged in international road transport (AETR) until the end of June 2023, as contained in ECE/TRANS/2021/L.1;

(c) Group of Experts on Benchmarking Transport Infrastructure Construction Costs until 2022, as contained in ECE/TRANS/2021/L.1.

5. The Executive Committee hereby approves the establishment of the:

(a) Group of Experts tasked with drafting a new legal instrument on international rail passenger hubs until 2023, on the basis of the ToRs contained in annex II of ECE/TRANS/2021/6 as contained in ECE/TRANS/2021/L.1;

(b) Group of Experts tasked with drafting a new legal instrument on the use of automated vehicles in road traffic until 2023 on the basis of the ToRs included in annex III of ECE/TRANS/2021/6, as contained in ECE/TRANS/2021/L.1/Add.1.
