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| **Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goodsand on the Globally Harmonized System of Classificationand Labelling of Chemicals****Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally HarmonizedSystem of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals 14 June 2021****Fortieth session** Geneva, 5-7 July 2021Item 1 of the provisional agenda**Adoption of the agenda** |

 Accreditation, registration, working arrangements and provisional timetable for the fortieth session

 Note by the secretariat

 Accreditation, registration and working arrangements

1. In order to minimise the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the work of the Sub-Committee and following its agreement to continue with the working arrangements proposed in the letter from the chairperson dated on 12 October 2020, the fortieth session will be held in a hybrid format. This would allow for remote and on-site participation to the extent allowed by competent authorities.

2. The session is scheduled to take place from 10:00 to 12:00 and from 14:00 to 16:00 on Monday and Tuesday (5 and 6 July) and from 10:00 to 12:00 on Wednesday (7 July). It will be conducted with interpretation and accessible online for registered participants through the platform Interprefy. The link to join the session and details on how to use Interprefy will be circulated a few days before the beginning of the session.

3. Please note that only delegates duly accredited and registered as members of a delegation entitled to participate in the work of the Sub-Committee will receive the link to join the session.

4. For accreditation purposes, heads of delegation who have not yet done so, are invited to communicate to the secretariat the composition of their delegation as soon as possible and no later than two weeks before the beginning of the session.

5. All accredited participants shall register online (<https://indico.un.org/event/28935/>) irrespective of the participation modality (online or in-person). Once your registration has been approved, the system will automatically send you a notification with a QR code. If you do not intend to participate in-person you do not need to use the QR code.

6. Those wishing to attend in-person are kindly requested indicate it on the online registration form. At the time of writing, the number of participants allowed to participate in-person at UN conferences is limited to 15 people. Should the number of people wishing to attend in-person be above the allowed limit, the secretariat may take into account the registration date (on a “first-come, first-served” basis) to determine who will be authorized to be present in the meeting room.

7. The provisional list of registered participants will be circulated to the Permanent Missions in Geneva one week before the beginning of the session for information and checking.

 Provisional timetable

8. All the documents on the agenda for the session are available at: <https://unece.org/info/Transport/Dangerous-Goods/events/351433>

9. The proposed timetable for the session, as agreed with the chair and vice-chair persons is as follows:

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| Date  | Time | Agenda item(s) |
| Monday 5 July | 10:00 – 12:00 | 1, 2 (a) to (d) |
|  | 14:00 – 16:00 | 2 (e) to (i) |
| Tuesday 6 July | 10:00 – 12:00 | 3 |
|  | 14:00 – 16:00 | 4, 5 and 6 |
| Wednesday 7 July | 10:00 – 12:00 | 7 (Adoption of the report) |

***Note:*** *The provisional timetable has been established taking account of the documents available at the time of writing. It may need to be adjusted during the session to take account of documents submitted after that date.*