
Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

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Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Fifty-ninth session

Geneva, 29 November-8 December 2021

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Accreditation, registration, working arrangements and provisional timetable for the fifty-ninth 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 already proposed at the June/July 2021 session, the fifty-ninth session will be held again 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 in Geneva from 11:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00 from Monday 29 November to Wednesday (a.m.) 8 December 2021. It will be conducted with interpretation and accessible online for registered participants through the platform Zoom. The link to join the session and details on how to use Zoom 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 a week before the beginning of the session.
5. All accredited participants shall register online available at the website (<https://indico.un.org/event/20249/>) 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 this document, the maximum number of participants allowed to participate in-person at UN conferences (Room XVIII) is limited to 130 persons. 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/354454>.

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

Date	Time (Geneva time)	Agenda item(s)
Monday 29 November	11:00 – 13:00	1, 2
	15:00 – 17:00	3
Tuesday 30 November	11:00 – 13:00	3 (cont'd)
	15:00 – 17:00	4 (a), (b), (c)
Wednesday 1 December	11:00 – 13:00	4 (d), (e), (f)
	15:00 – 17:00	5, 6 (a), (b)
Thursday 2 December	11:00 – 13:00	6 (b) (cont'd)*
	15:00 – 17:00	6 (c)**
Friday 3 December	11:00 – 13:00	6 (d)
	15:00 – 17:00	6 (d) (cont'd)
Monday 6 December	11:00 – 13:00	7, 8, 9
	15:00 – 17:00	10, 11
Tuesday 7 December	11:00 – 13:00	12, 13, 14
	15:00 – 17:00	15 (Adoption of the report)
Wednesday 8 December	11:00 – 13:00	15 (Adoption of the report) (cont'd)

* Spain offered to organize a hybrid lunch-time meeting on 2 December (13:00-15:00) to further discuss official document ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/2021/49 (Spain) which is listed under agenda item 6(b). Interested delegates are invited to inform the Spanish delegation under sgarcia@mitma.es, as the invitation for the online participation will be sent only to inscribed participants.

** The Working Group on FRP service equipment for portable tanks will meet remotely during the session on Wednesday 1 December and will report to the Plenary tentatively on Thursday 2 December. More details and the link will be circulated prior to the meeting.

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.