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### Inland Transport Committee

#### Working Party on Inland Water Transport

##### Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation

###### Sixtieth session

Geneva, 16–18 February 2022

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

###### Adoption of the agenda

### Annotated Provisional Agenda for the Sixtieth Session<sup>\*, \*\*, \*\*\*</sup>

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva starting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday,  
16 February 2022

#### I. Provisional Agenda

1. Adoption of the Agenda.
2. Outcome of the Sixty-Fifth Session of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport.
3. Workshop “Prevention of Pollution from Inland Waterway Vessels and Greening of the Inland Water Transport Sector”.
4. Inland Waterways Infrastructure:
  - (a) European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance;
  - (b) Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (Blue Book).
5. Proposal for a New Classification of European Inland Waterways.

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\* Delegates are requested to bring copies of all relevant documents to the session. There will be no documentation available in the conference room. Before the session, documents may be downloaded from the ECE Sustainable Transport Division’s website: <https://unece.org/info/events/event/362094>.

\*\* All delegates are requested to register online at the following address: <https://uncdb.unece.org/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=3s8EJq>.

\*\*\* Participation is possible in-person or virtually. For in-person participation, delegates are requested to additionally register at <https://indico.un.org/event/36289/>. Upon arrival at the Palais des Nations, delegates should obtain an identification badge at the Security and Safety Section, located at the Pregny Gate (14, Avenue de la Paix). In case of difficulty, please contact the secretariat by telephone (+41 229172432) or by email ([sc.3@un.org](mailto:sc.3@un.org)). For a map of the Palais des Nations and other useful information, please visit <https://unece.org/practical-information-delegates>.

6. Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation:
  - (a) European Code for Inland Waterways (resolution No. 24, revision 6);
  - (b) Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (resolution No. 61, revision 2);
  - (c) Prevention of Pollution of Inland Waterways by Vessels (resolution No. 21, revised).
7. Promotion of River Information Services and Other Information and Communication Technologies in Inland Navigation:
  - (a) Guidelines and Criteria for Vessel Traffic Services on Inland Waterways (annex to resolution No. 58);
  - (b) Other Resolutions of the Economic Commission for Europe of Relevance to River Information Services;
  - (c) Other Activities Aimed at Promoting the Development of River Information Services in Europe.
8. Glossary of Terms and Definitions Related to Inland Water Transport.
9. Mutual Recognition of Boatmasters' Certificates and Harmonization of Professional Requirements in Inland Navigation.
10. Recreational Navigation.
11. Theme Topic for the Sixtieth Session of the Working Party.
12. Other Business.
13. Adoption of the Report.

## II. Annotations

### 1. Adoption of the Agenda

In accordance with the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation (the Working Party or SC.3/WP.3) may wish to adopt the agenda of its sixtieth session on the basis of the provisional agenda, supplemented by the list of working and informal documents as set out in Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 1 (2022).

#### Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/119, Informal document SC.3/WP.3 No. 1 (2022)

### 2. Outcome of the Sixty-Fifth Session of the Working Party on Inland Water Transport

The Working Party will be informed about the main decisions taken by the Working Party on Inland Water Transport (SC.3) at its sixty-fifth session (3–5 November 2021).

Following the decision of SC.3 at its sixty-fifth session to prepare a report on the implementation of the Wrocław Ministerial Declaration for the eighty-fifth annual session of the Inland Transport Committee (ITC) in 2023, SC.3 may wish to consider a draft questionnaire based on the Recommendations on monitoring the implementation of the Wrocław ministerial declaration and provide its guidance to the secretariat.

#### Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/215, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/1

### 3. Workshop “Prevention of Pollution from Inland Waterway Vessels and Greening of the Inland Water Transport Sector”

Following the decision of the Working Party at its fifty-ninth session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/118, paragraph 89), delegations are invited to take part in the workshop dedicated to the various aspects of prevention of pollution from inland waterway vessels and reducing the environmental impact from inland navigation: (a) the legislative framework for management of waste generated as a result of operation of vessels, (b) modernization and greening of the inland fleet, (c) green ports concept, (d) further steps and other relevant issues.

Participants are invited to take part in the round table discussions and share their experience, and best practice to facilitate greening of inland navigation, main trends, challenges and strategies in this field and consider further steps that could be undertaken by SC.3 and SC.3/WP.3.

#### Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/2

### 4. Inland Waterways Infrastructure

#### (a) European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance

Member States are invited to inform the Working Party about the progress in implementing the European Agreement on Main Inland Waterways of International Importance (AGN).

#### Documentation

ECE/TRANS/120/Rev.4

**(b) Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (Blue Book)**

Governments are invited to inform the Working Party about new amendment proposals to the third revised edition of the Inventory of Main Standards and Parameters of the E Waterway Network (Blue Book).

The Working Party may wish to take note of the main outcomes of the EMMA<sup>1</sup> Extension Project, aimed at enhancing inland navigation in the Baltic Sea Region by supporting digitalization in inland waterway transport and implementing new logistic concepts (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/3).

Member States and other stakeholders are invited to report on the current progress in inland waterway infrastructure development projects.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/144/Rev.3, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/3

**5. Proposal for a New Classification of European Inland Waterways**

Following the decision of SC.3 at its sixty-fifth session to exam the proposal for a new classification of European inland waterways transmitted by the World Association for Waterborne Transport Infrastructure (PIANC) and establish an informal expert group for that purpose, delegations may wish to comment on ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/4. The Working Party may wish to take note of the progress reached on this issue and further steps.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/4

**6. Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation**

**(a) European Code for Inland Waterways (resolution No. 24, revision 6)**

The Working Party may wish to note that the sixth revised edition of the European Code for Inland Waterways (CEVNI) is available as a publication and that an online version in the three working languages is on the SC.3 web page.

SC.3 may wish to consider the draft questionnaire for updating the document on the application of CEVNI by member States and river commissions (the CEVNI status document) as proposed in ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/5 and provide guidance to the secretariat.

SC.3 may wish to take note of the outstanding issues after the adoption of the sixth revision of CEVNI (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/6) and provide its guidance to the CEVNI Expert Group and the secretariat.

Delegations are invited to inform the Working Party about the current status and new developments in their navigation regulations.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/115/Rev.6, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/5,  
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/6

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<sup>1</sup> Enhancing freight mobility and logistics in the Baltic Sea Region by strengthening inland waterway and river sea transport and promoting new international shipping services.

**(b) Recommendations on Harmonized Europe-Wide Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation Vessels (resolution No. 61, revision 2)**

The Working Party may wish to continue discussion of a new draft chapter “Special provisions applicable to electric vessel propulsion” to the annex to resolution No. 61, based on the proposal by the Danube Commission and the feedback received by the secretariat (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2020/7 and ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/3).

The Working Party may wish to continue discussion on aligning the annex to resolution No. 61 with the European Standard laying down technical requirements for inland navigation vessels (ES-TRIN), edition 2021, based on ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2021/7.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/172/Rev.2, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2020/7,  
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/3 and ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2021/7

**(c) Prevention of Pollution of Inland Waterways by Vessels (resolution No. 21, revised)**

SC.3/WP.3 may wish to continue discussion of the proposal on the additional categorization of waste generated on-board inland navigation vessels (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/29) and decide as appropriate.

Governments are invited to inform SC.3/WP.3 about additions or modifications to the list of reception facilities for transfer of waste generated on board vessels, if any.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/179/Rev.1 and Add.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2020/29

**7. Promotion of River Information Services and Other Information and Communication Technologies in Inland Navigation****(a) Guidelines and Criteria for Vessel Traffic Services on Inland Waterways (annex to resolution No. 58)**

Following the decision of SC.3 at its sixty-fifth session, the Working Party may wish to begin the discussion on updating resolution No. 58, revised, based on the new Guideline “Vessel Traffic Services in Inland Waters” of the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA).

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/165/Rev.1 and Amend.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2021/9

**(b) Other Resolutions of the Economic Commission for Europe of Relevance to River Information Services**

The Working Party may wish to discuss the current status of the River Information Services (RIS) resolutions, further work aimed to keep them as living instruments and provide guidance to the secretariat.

**Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/156/Rev.4, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/176/Rev.2,  
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/198/Rev.1, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/199/Rev.1

**(c) Other Activities Aimed at Promoting the Development of River Information Services in Europe**

Delegations are invited to exchange information about the implementation of RIS by governments and river commissions.

## **8. Glossary of Terms and Definitions Related to Inland Water Transport**

Delegations are invited to discuss the draft of the glossary of terms and definitions related to inland water transport prepared by the secretariat based on the outcome of discussion by the correspondence group. The Working Party may wish to provide comments on the draft and to give its guidance to the secretariat.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/9, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/10

## **9. Mutual Recognition of Boatmasters' Certificates and Harmonization of Professional Requirements in Inland Navigation**

Following the decision of SC.3 at its sixty-fourth session (ECE/TRANS/SC.3/213, paragraph 72), the Working Party may wish to continue discussion on updating provisions of the annex to resolution No. 31 based on the standards for qualifications in inland navigation professional requirements, included in the European Standard for Qualification in Inland Navigation (ES-QIN) and national regulations of member States.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/184, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2021/10

## **10. Recreational Navigation**

The Working Party will be informed by the secretariat about updates to annex IV of resolution No. 40, revision 4, the progress made in developing the online database of specimens of the International Certificate for Operators of Pleasure Craft and the activities of the Informal Working Group on Recreational Navigation.

SC.3/WP.3 is invited to consider a general proposal for the catalogue of questions for testing recreational boaters' knowledge of CEVNI prepared by the Informal Working Group on Recreational Navigation and provide its guidance to the Informal Working Group.

### **Documentation**

ECE/TRANS/SC.3/147/Rev.4, ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/7,  
ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2022/8

## **11. Theme Topic for the Sixtieth Session of the Working Party**

The Working Party may wish to decide on a theme topic for its sixtieth session.

## **12. Other Business**

At the time of drafting this provisional agenda, there were no proposals under this item.

## **13. Adoption of the Report**

In accordance with established practice, SC.3/WP.3 will adopt the decisions taken at its sixtieth session on the basis of a draft prepared by the secretariat.

### III. Tentative Timetable

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Activities</i>
Wednesday, 16 February	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Agenda items 1–3
	2–4 p.m.	Agenda item 3
Thursday, 17 February	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Agenda items 4–5
	2–4 p.m.	Agenda items 6–8
Friday, 18 February	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Agenda items 9–12
	2–4 p.m.	Agenda item 13

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