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## **Road Transport**

Item 9(q) Working Party on Road Transport  
(SC.1)

# Key Developments



- SC.1 and its Group of Experts on AETR conducted its meetings in 2021 in hybrid and informal meeting modes (per interpretation quotas), and successfully delivered according to its mandates and programme of work.
- SC.1's informal group of experts on e-CMR tabled a paper on the operationalization of e-CMR per ITC's request at its 81st session. SC.1 agreed to establish a new Group of Experts on the operationalization of the e-CMR procedure for two years subject to ITC and EXCOM approval. The objective of the proposed GE is to discuss and if possible agree on the requirements of art.5 of the Additional Protocol to CMR concerning the electronic consignment note. Germany acceded to e-CMR in Jan 2022.
- With SC.1's support, the AETR GE hopes that a contracting party to the AETR will submit an amendment proposal to modify article 14 in order to open up the agreement globally.
- At its 116th session, SC.1 briefly discussed the potential benefits and scope of amendments that might be needed to the AGR in order to open it globally. It will further discuss this at its 117th session by inviting representatives from other UN regional commissions who can provide information on their equivalent regional agreements.
- SC.1 also decided to suspend further discussion on a proposal for an OmniBUS agreement until the transport sector has had more time to recover (ie 2023 or 2024).



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**Thank you!**

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