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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda for the fifth session*,,*****

To be held in-person at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, starting at 10.00 a.m. on Monday, 3 April 2023, Salle XXVII.

I. Provisional Agenda

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3. Programme of work:
 - (a) Proposed concepts and processes of the future eCMR system;
 - (b) Customs practices concerning the use of consignment notes;
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4. Other business.
5. Adoption of the list of decisions.
6. Date of next session.

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II. Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

The Group of Experts will be invited to adopt the session's agenda.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/9

2. Report of the fourth session

The Group will be asked to take note of the report of its fourth session. It includes the list of decisions which was adopted by the Group on 27 January 2023.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/8

3. Programme of work

(a) Proposed concepts and processes of the future eCMR system

At the last session, the Group of Experts discussed ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/2023/1, provided comments and requested the secretariat to either revise it or to prepare a new document based on it for this session by taking into account the discussions of the Group. Accordingly, the secretariat has prepared ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/2023/3 and ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/2023/4. The Group of Experts is invited to discuss the formal documents prepared for this session.

The concepts and processes when agreed will form the basis of the high-level architecture of the future eCMR system. If the group is to complete its work within its current two-year mandate/timeframe, these concepts and processes should be discussed and agreed at this session.

(b) Customs practices concerning the use of consignment notes

At its third session, the Group of Experts discussed ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/2022/3/Rev.1 on the uses of paper consignment notes by customs authorities in different regions. At the last session, the Group agreed to keep populating the document with information provided by customs and other public authorities, including the information on cabotage provided by the Danish police at its third session.

The secretariat will draw the attention of the group to the new or amended text in ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/2022/3/Rev.2.

(c) Good practices from other digitalization initiatives

The Group requested the secretariat to invite if possible experts from other Conventions or transport / customs documents (such as eCIM and Certex) digitalization initiatives to present.

Documentation

ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/2023/3, ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/2023/4,
ECE/TRANS/SC.1/GE.22/2022/3/Rev.2

4. Other business

The Group of Experts may wish to discuss any other business.

5. Adoption of the list of decisions

The secretariat will prepare a list of decisions during the session. The list of decisions will be adopted by the Group of Experts at the end of the session.

6. Date of next session

The next/final session of the Group of Experts is scheduled to take place on 5 to 7 July 2023. The deadline for the submission of formal documents is 26 April 2023.
