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Expert Group Meeting on Strengthening the capacity of ESCAP member States to harmonize standards on weights, dimensions and emissions of road vehicles for facilitation of transport along the Asian Highway network

Tbilisi, Georgia 23 – 24 January 2019

PROGRAMME

Day 1

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| 0900–0915 hrs. | Opening remarks <i>Mr. Erekle Kezherashvili, Deputy Head of Transport and Logistics Development Policy Department, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development, Georgia</i> <i>ESCAP secretariat</i> |
| 0915–1200 hrs. | Existing national, bilateral and multilateral standards of weights, dimensions and emissions for road freight vehicles; enforcement mechanisms for both national and foreign road freight vehicles <i>Presentation by countries (each country is allocated up to 10 minutes for presentation)</i> <i>Coffee break (1030-1045 hrs.)</i> |
| 1200–1300 hrs. | <i>Lunch Break</i> |
| 1300–1630 hrs. | Existing national, bilateral and multilateral standards of weights, dimensions and emissions for road freight vehicles; enforcement mechanisms for both national and foreign road freight vehicles (continued) <i>Presentation by countries (each country is allocated up to 10 minutes for presentation)</i> <i>Coffee break (1530-1545 hrs.)</i> |
| 1630–1700 hrs. | Challenges in the international road transport sector due to diverse national standards on weights, dimensions and emissions, and initiatives taken to mitigate the situation: National Experience of Turkey <i>Mrs. Münevver Ertekin, General Directorate of Turkish Highway</i> |

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Day 2

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| 0900–1200 hrs. | <p>Current situation on standards of weights and dimensions of road freight vehicles along the Asian Highway network; enforcement mechanism and benefits of harmonization <i>Dr. Varvara Krechetova, Expert Consultant</i></p> <p>Recommendations on harmonized standards of weights and dimensions of road freight vehicles <i>Dr. Shin Hyoung Park, Keimyung University, Republic of Korea</i></p> <p>Institutional mechanisms for implementation of the recommended standards <i>Mr. René Meeuws, Partner, STC-NESTRA Netherlands</i></p> <p><i>Presentations – Open discussion</i> <i>Coffee break (1030-1045 hrs.)</i></p> |
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| 1430–1645 hrs. | <p>Current situation of emission standards for road freight vehicles of countries along the Asian Highway network; enforcement mechanism and benefits of harmonization <i>Dr. Varvara Krechetova, Expert Consultant</i></p> <p>Recommendations on harmonized emissions standards for road freight vehicles <i>Dr. Shin Hyoung Park, Keimyung University, Republic of Korea</i></p> <p>Institutional mechanisms for implementation of the recommended standards <i>Mr. René Meeuws, Partner, STC-NESTRA Netherlands</i></p> <p><i>Presentations – Open discussion</i> <i>Coffee break (1500-1515 hrs.)</i></p> |
| 1645–1700 hrs. | <p>Conclusions and closing remarks <i>ESCAP secretariat</i></p> |